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**Check out the events and materials published by the BRICS Policy Center within the framework of the G20:**



On July 3rd, the **BRICS Policy Center** launched the **Declaration of Convergence Dialogues** and its Thematic Declarations. These statements reflect the efforts of more than **34 partner institutions or co-facilitators** of the T20 Task Forces or C20 Working Groups, which aimed to identify points of convergence in the financial, environmental and digital agendas. This effort resulted in a stronger strategic position, both in terms of the scope and precision of the recommendations. The Joint Declaration presents the points systematized by the three agendas. However, it is also possible to find the Thematic Declarations for each agenda, which deepen the debate produced over the last few months. On this day, **the document was handed over to Gustavo Westmann** (General Secretariat of the Presidency and G20 Social), **Antonio Freitas** (Ministry of Finance and G20 Finance Track) and **Felipe Hees** (Ministry of Foreign Affairs representative of the G20 Political/Sherpas Track).

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**T20 Brasil Midterm Conference**



During July, the **T20 Mid-Term Conference**, an important moment in the Task Force's year-long work, took place on the 1st, 2nd as well as the 3rd. The first day was marked by activities between all the Task Forces (TFs), members of the T20 and the participating research centers with **discussions on the implementation of the recommendations proposed in the Communiqué**, as well as the engagement group's second semester agenda.



During the last two days, at an event held at the National Economic Development Bank (BNDES), the FTs' recommendations were presented and debated by experts, researchers and members of the government. At the end, **the Communiqué with the ten main cross-cutting recommendations produced by the T20 was handed over to the leaders of the Sherpas and Finance Tracks of G20 Brazil**. This was a pioneering moment in the history of the T20, with the participation of Professor Ana Garcia, representing the BRICS Policy Center and T20 Task Force 3, explaining the recommendations pertinent to the Reform of the International Financial Architecture.



## Events and participations

Workshop for journalists and popular communicators

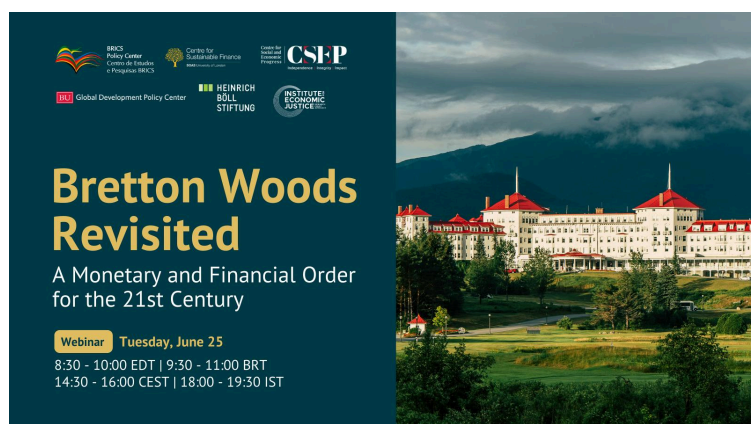
On May 3, the **BPC**, together with the **Piratininga Communication Center (NPC)** and the **Jubilee South Brazil Network**, held a workshop for Popular Journalists and Popular Communities to talk about the **G20**, the **Social G20** and the **Peoples' Summit**.

In the workshop, which sought a more accessible and diverse grammar for dealing with the G20, Professor Marta Fernández stressed the importance of showing how international issues, which may seem distant, directly affect our daily lives. Professor Ana Saggiore gave a political history of the formation of the G20.

Sandra Quintela and Cláudia Santiago also took part in the debate, covering topics such as the People's Economy, the Energy Transition and the role of the media in the G20. Thanks to the communicators and teachers present!



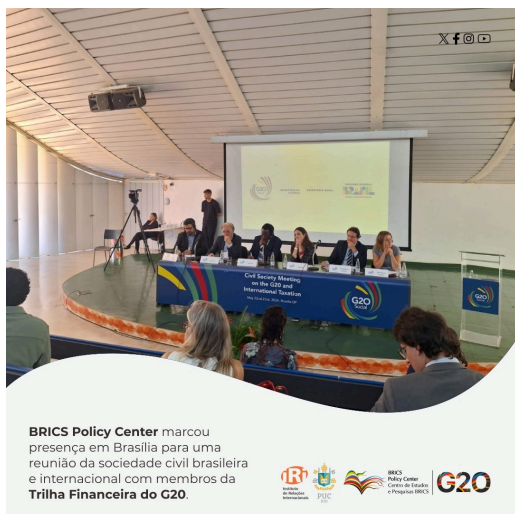
On May 16, the BRICS Policy Center held a **Convergence Dialogue**. At the event, the institutions present began building a declaration to be presented at the G20 Summit. **Three thematic agendas were discussed, focusing on Finance, the Environment and Digitalization**. Representatives from T20 Task Forces 2, 3 and 5 and C20 Working Groups 1, 3 and 7 attended the event. Among the partner organizations were: Gestos, Latindadd, Institute for Economic Justice, IDDRI, Data Privacy, LAPIN, IDEC, Plataforma Cipó, Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham, Engajamundo, among others.



On June 25, the **BPC**, represented by researcher **Paulo Esteve**, and other international institutions held a **webinar on eighty years after the Bretton Woods Conference**. They discussed what joint efforts are needed to reform the international economic and financial architecture and make it fit for the challenges of the 21st century. Researchers from institutions, from different geographies, advocate holding a new Conference under the auspices of the UN. The new

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conference should substantially reform the international monetary and financial system to reflect global realities and challenges.



BRICS Policy Center marcou presença em Brasília para uma reunião da sociedade civil brasileira e internacional com membros da Trilha Financeira do G20.



Força Tarefa 3 do T20, liderada pelo BPC, reuniu-se com o grupo de trabalho sobre Arquitetura Financeira Internacional da Trilha de Finanças do G20 para discutir a agenda de reforma dos Bancos Multilaterais de Desenvolvimento (BMDs).



The BRICS Policy Center was present in Brasilia on May 22 and 23 for a **meeting of Brazilian and international civil society with members of the G20 Finance Track**. The aim of the event was to discuss proposals on tax cooperation.

We were represented by Professors **Ana Garcia** (coordinator of the T20 Task Force 3 on Reforming the International Financial Architecture) and **Maureen Santos** (coordinator of the Socio-Environmental Platform).

Among the main proposals discussed at the event were the taxation of large fortunes and the super-rich, support for the creation of the United Nations Commission on International Tax Cooperation, increased transparency and access to information on countries' public accounts, as well as the incorporation of relevant principles of racial, gender and environmental justice related to the distribution of public resources from taxes.

On May 27, **T20 Task Force 3**, led by the BRICS Policy Center, **met with the International Financial Architecture working group of the G20 Finance Track to discuss the reform agenda for the Multilateral Development Banks (MDBs)**.

This agenda is debating how to boost initiatives in the area, how to improve operational aspects, innovations in financial mechanisms, the optimization of balance sheets, but also issues relating to greater and better participation and representativeness.

The meeting was an opportunity to exchange and discuss the recommendations, and adds to the efforts of the Brazilian presidency of the G20 to advance the reform of the Multilateral Development Banks in order to increase the positive socio-environmental impact of their projects.



The **BRICS Policy Center** met with the **Ford Foundation** and other civil society partners on April 12 to **discuss possibilities for action at the G20 and COP30 in Brazil**. Present were ABONG director and C20 coordinator Henrique Frota, FASE coordinator Maureen Santos, Geledés international consultant Carolina Almeida, IRI/PUC-Rio director Isabel Rocha de Siqueira and T20 Task Force 3 coordinator Ana Garcia. The meeting allowed for an exchange of ideas and an assessment of the international processes that will be conducted in Brazil, with the presence of Helena Hofbauer, the foundation's international director, and program directors Fatima Mello, Maíra Junqueira and Erika Yamanda, along with associate director Paulo Vicente.

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### Press

The work of the **BRICS Policy Center at the G20** was highlighted in an exclusive report and article published in the **Valor Econômico** newspaper last week.

With the launch of the Declaration of Convergence Dialogues, BPC researcher Ana Saggiaro Garcia explained to Valor that the document seeks to increase the impact of recommendations with the leaders of the economic forum. Victoria Netto's report also showed that the declaration, which brings together recommendations from the T20 and C20, the G20's engagement groups, deals with reform of the global financial architecture, fair energy transition and inclusive digital transformation.

In the article also signed by Professor Garcia with the other leaders of Task Force 3 of the T20 and Working Group 1 of the C20, the theme was a reform of the international financial architecture. In the text, the authors propose a reform of the IMF and the Multilateral Development Banks with a financial safety net that includes limits on interest rates, among other things.



[Read the article here](#)

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BPC professor and researcher **Monica Herz** co-produced an opinion piece entitled: **A Monetary and Economic Order Fit for the Twenty-First Century for Project Syndicate.**

Following events such as climate change and the COVID-19 pandemic, some international institutions, such as Bretton Woods, have had to update their studies in relation to the new global economic realities and the development priorities of each state. It is in this context that professor and researcher at the BRICS Policy Center, Monica Herz, together with Ulrich Volz and Janak Raj, wrote an opinion article for Project Syndicate highlighting eight priority points that will renew the vision for the future of the international financial architecture.

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## Publications

### Thematic Declarations T20 and C20

**Reform of the International Financial Architecture and C20 Working Group 1 on Fair, Inclusive and Anti-racist Economies.**

**Environment, Climate Justice and Just Energy Transition.**

**Inclusive Digital Transformation and Working Group 7 of the C20 - Digitalization and Technology.**

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In the year marked by the 80th anniversary of the Bretton Woods Conference, the **BRICS Policy Center, together with five international institutions**, drew up a **declaration that included eight recommendations** aimed at creating an economic and monetary order more suited to the context of the 21st century.

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Brics Policy Center, em conjunto com 5 instituições internacionais, desenvolveram uma declaração em comemoração ao **80º aniversário da Conferência de Bretton Woods**.



The **BRICS Policy Center** is contributing **9 Policy Briefs** to the **T20**, highlighting its significant participation in drafting key policy recommendations for the group.

Check out the titles below and which Task Force they were sent to:

- 1: “Addressing the unequal distribution of care work through an intersectional lens.” > Task Force 1, Coordinator: Marta Fernández
- 2: “The G20 and the need to reform the UN System”. > Task Force 6, Coordinator: Mónica Herz
- 3: “Protectionism and the growing challenges of securing the developing world's priorities on the G20 Agenda”. > Task Force 4, Coordinator: Carlos Coelho
- 4: “Data governance for inclusive development”. > Task Force 5, Coordinator: Isabel Rocha de Siqueira
- 5: “Fostering climate justice financing in G20 countries”. > Task Force 2, Coordinator: Maureen Santos
- 6: “Opportunities and Challenges for Promoting Sustainable, Resilient and Inclusive Infrastructure”. > Task Force 2, Coordinator: Maria Elena Rodriguez
- 7: “Financing a Sustainable Future: Global Challenges and Equitable Financing”. > Task Force 3, Coordinator: Paulo Esteves
- 8: “Addressing the 21st Century Agenda: Global Public Investment for Global Challenges”. > Task Force 6, Coordinator: Carlos Coelho
- 9: “Sustainable commodities for climate, nature and people: Learning from the past, investing in the future.” > Força-Tarefa 4, Coordenadora: Ana Saggiro Garcia



## Next Events

**The UN and G20**

**17 JULY**  
10 a.m | 1 p.m.

Comments:  
Ana Rachel Fortes  
Flavia Campos Mello  
Federico Merke

Presentation:  
Charles Kupchan

Moderation:  
Monica Herz

Hybrid Event

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The event will be in English with no simultaneous translation.

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On July 17, the Brics Policy Center will hold the event “The United Nations and the G20”, from 10am to 1pm.

Speakers will debate the role the G20 can play in rebuilding global governance mechanisms and the creative measures involving the G20 that should be considered to address the UN's crisis of legitimacy and efficiency and the demand for international public goods.

The Policy Brief discussion will be presented by Charles Kupchan and mediated by professor and researcher Monica Herz (PUC-Rio). The panel will also include Ana Rachel Fortes (San Tiago Dantas Graduate Program), Flavia Campos Mello (PUC-SP) and Frederico Merke (Universidad de San Andrés). The event will be in English and without simultaneous translations.

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**Task Force 3 continued its work to evaluate the more than 50 Policy Briefs received. The process is now in its final stages and is expected to be published on the T20 website by September 2024. The T20 will soon publish the list of approved Policy Briefs.**

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