

# DIPLOMACY AND ACTIVISM: IS THE COMPROMISE WORTH IT?



Building upon concrete experiences of advocacy at the United Nations from a civil society perspective, “Diplomacy and Activism: Is The Compromise Worth It?” will explore lessons learned about advocacy strategies and compromises.

**Where:** <https://mau-se.zoom.us/j/65255491375>

**What:** Online lecture at Malmö University

**Who:** Cristina Diez Sagüillo, ATD Fourth World [Volunteer Corps member](#) since 2003.

**When:** Wednesday January 20, 2021, 5pm Central European Time, 11am (US east coast)

**How much?** Free!

Ms Diez will explore the question “Is Compromise Worth It?” by examining the success and failures of three concrete examples:

- influencing negotiations of the [Sustainable Development Goals](#) and introducing the concept of leaving no one behind;
- establishing a United Nations mandate on extreme poverty and human rights, and facilitating adoption of the [Guiding Principles on Extreme Poverty and Human Rights](#); and

- the unresolved relationship between poverty, violence and peace.

The lecture will also explore ethical questions. Very often to be pertinent in a multilateral space, civil society has to adapt its message and make compromises. Are these compromises a betrayal of the ideals, values, and people of the organizations with consultative status at the UN?

Diplomacy is an exercise of compromising; to be at the table you have to compromise. What is the right balance between these compromises and being a watchdog?

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