Youth Inclusion through Spaces: What is it?

- **Which** policy/political **spaces** do youth have difficulty accessing?
- **How** are they excluded from those spaces?
- **Which** **specific sub-groups** of youth more likely to be excluded?
- **So what?** Why does youth exclusion matter?

- 1 billion additional young people will enter the labor force by 2030
- MENA youth are four times more likely to be unemployed than older peers
- 72% of African youth live on less than $2 a day
Youth Inclusion through Spaces: Approaches

**Opportunity**
Increase possibilities for/support youth to participate in, policy spaces ...or build the spaces themselves.

**Ability**
Increase capacity of youth to (credibly) inhabit or claim certain spaces.

**Dignity**
Increase visibility, ensure excluded groups are/feel seen, heard...
Youth Inclusion through Spaces: Your Experiences, Your Ideas

• In your country, what policy/political spaces do youth have difficulty accessing?
• What keeps them out? Or makes them not want to be there?
• Specific youth sub-groups more likely to be excluded?

• Approaches to include youth you have seen or tried yourself? How did they work? What did you learn?
• How to help youth organize around issues they care about? Support their voice?
• How to transform youth activists into policy dialogue actors? Are PPD mechanisms one answer? How?