

A UN Mentoring Programme

Orientation Webinar – Mentees

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Time: 9:30-11:00 AM (EST)







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Together Mentoring











Agenda

- 1. The Participants Who are you?
- 2. Timeline / Next Steps
- 3. How will I be paired?
- 4. Available Resources
- 5. General Mentoring Guidance
- 6. Closing and Q&A



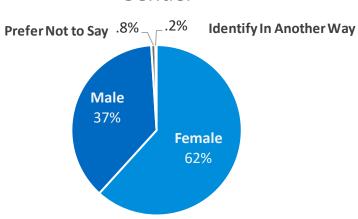


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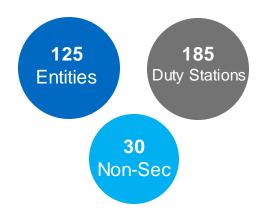
Mentors and Mentees

1,291





Across the UN System



UN years of experience

18,524+



What are mentors ready to offer?



Top 3 goals they are ready to help you pursue:

- 1. Develop new ideas about moving up or laterally in the Organization
- 2. Improve management/leadership skills
- 3. Improve data analytics and data management



Top 5 skills/competencies of your mentors:

- 1. Planning and Organizing
- 2. Client Organization
- 3. Accountability
- 4. Managing for Results
- 5. Encouraging Integrity



Timeline

1. Registration(15 February – 1 March)

3. Pairing (22 March - 2 April)

5. Relationship building (March – July 2021)













2. Orientation Webinars (16-17 March)

4. First Session (22 March - 2 April)

6. Feedback (August 2021)



How will I be paired?

The platform suggests a list of mentors to mentees. How? It uses an algorithm that matches mentee preferences with mentor capacities. To ensure appropriate and relevant recommendations, several aspects are weighted such as:

- ✓ Language preference
- ✓ Programme goals
- ✓ Competencies/skills
- √ Topics for discussion
- ✓ Favourite activities
- ✓ Time in the UN
- ✓ Job network
- √ Job level/grade

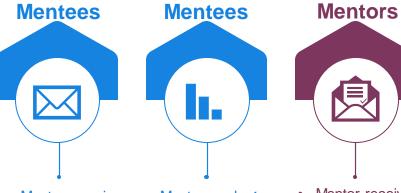


Mentors and mentees review each other's profiles and play an active role in the pairing process.



Pairing Tips for Mentees

Once Pairing Begins:



- Mentee receives email
- Clicks "view mentors"
- Mentee ranks top
 3 mentors in
 Together and
 submits
- Mentor receives email
- Clicks "Approve Mentee"

Tips:

- Reflect on what you want to get out of the programme
- Set appropriate expectations
 - Not linked to job promotions
- Thoroughly check mentor profiles to match your goals
- Understand that not all will be paired with their first choice; keep an open mind



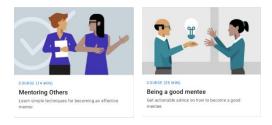
Resources



Mentee Handbook



Session agendas



Compiled list of relevant online courses, articles and videos



Customized videos on using the Together Platform



Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)



What makes a good mentor?

You selected these as the most important qualities a mentor should have:



But what about mentees?



The foundation of a great mentoring relationship:



Trust



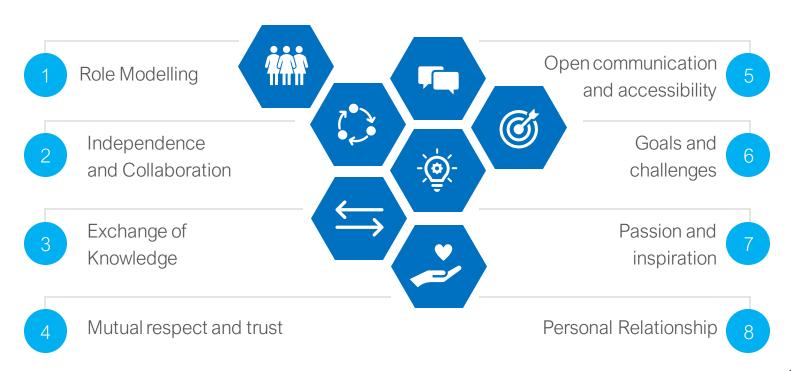
Respect



Communication



Key components of an effective mentoring relationship:





What does a mentor do?



Advises

Shares institutional and professional wisdom, provides input on performance, makes suggestions.



Coaches

Helps the mentee learn new skills and practice new behaviours.



Supports

Actively listens, explains unwritten rules, and acknowledges disappointments and triumphs.



The impact of having a mentor:



Knowledge Transfer

Mentors offer a vast repository of experience and share their knowledge, work methods, and techniques



Straight Talk

Mentors are not there to sugarcoat advice. Their role is to help you make the best decisions. As such they will highlight the various outcomes of a decision will have, but they will also play the role of motivator and cheerleader.



Growth Opportunity

Mentors help you hone your soft-skills, break out of your comfort zone to make new connections, and gain valuable new knowledge about your business character.



Three goals that mentees should focus on:

Professional Development

Committing to
Continuous
Learning

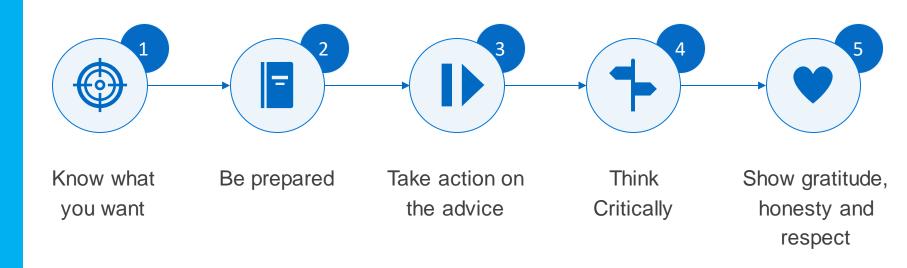
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Building your network

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The top 5 qualities of being a great mentee:





Mentoring Sessions: a few tips

- This is a mentee-driven process, which means you will be responsible for scheduling and preparing each meeting. There are eight session agendas prepared for you. You can follow them or select your favourite exercises/topics and suggest to try them with your mentor.
- Shadowing can be a great learning experience and it is easy to do when working from home. Whether you shadow the mentor, or vice versa, be sure to introduce whoever is shadowing you on your meetings.
- ✓ Reverse it: reversing roles in a mentoring relationship can be fulfilling and fun. You may have expertise on a topic or specialized skills that your mentor would like to learn more about. Explore with your mentor what could you share with them during a session.



FAQ's

- 1. How are mentors selected? How do I make sure my mentor is a good fit?
- 2. Why did I not get my first choice as my mentor?
- 3. How do I reschedule my session?
- 4. How do I prepare for my session? What are things *not to do* in my session?
- 5. What happens if I am not getting emails?



Questions & Answers



Write your questions in the chat-box.

Or raise your hand to speak.





Closing

Thank you!

Contact us at mentoring@un.org

Resource Links

The link to the resources on the HR Portal are here: https://hr.un.org/together-resources

The link to the same resources on the platform are here:

https://my.togetherplatform.com/user/programs /m6mB2tEYp4kq2tbY9wV/resources

Navigation Links

The link to your profile is here: https://my.togetherplatform.com/user/profile

The link to the HR Portal is here: https://hr.un.org/mentoring