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SPEAKER BIO

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John is the Coordinator of the Transparency, Accountability & Participation (TAP) Network, based in New York. John has led the TAP Network since its inception in 2014, initially helping to spearhead civil society advocacy around the inclusion of SDG16 in the 2030 Agenda. Prior to joining the TAP Network, John worked at Stakeholder Forum for a Sustainable Future and the Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC), coordinating global advocacy campaigns around the SDGs and 2030 Agenda sustainable development agenda. He has also worked for the UN Secretariat with UNDESA's Division for Sustainable Development, where he helped facilitate the engagement of civil society in the Rio+20 UN Conference on Sustainable Development, and coordinated the UN's social media coverage for the conference. John has a M.S. in Sustainability Management from Columbia University and a B.A. in Environmental Studies and Geography from Ohio Wesleyan University.