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Dear Colleagues & Friends,

2018 was not an easy year for international cooperation, diplomacy, reason or peace. Yet we believe that there is room for cautious optimism. The last minute agreement at the Paris Climate Treaty negotiations in Katowice this week demonstrated some multilateral progress on the long road towards sustainability.

The marvelous participants of this year's FES NY Fall Academy on the 2030 Agenda clearly give us reason for optimism - please check-out our short [video recap](#).

As the year is coming to an end, we would like to draw your attention on the latest activities of the FES New York office. Thank you for your interest, contributions, solidarity and support.

Wishing you and your loved ones peaceful and pleasant holidays and all the best for 2019!

On behalf of the entire FES New York Team,
with best regards,

Bettina Luise Rürup
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What we have been up to:

MACROSCOPE: "Should Germany Push for UN Blue Helmets in Eastern Ukraine?"

Can Germany use its upcoming term on the Security Council to refocus international attention on the unresolved crisis in Eastern Ukraine?

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MACROSCOPE: "'The Universal Declaration of Human Rights at 70'"

Early December, the world was commemorating the 70th anniversaries of two landmark agreements: the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of Genocide, and the Declaration of Human Rights.

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12/9-10: UN Member States advance the agenda for Financing Sustainable Development (FSD)

In a 2-day retreat, governments prepared to chart the way forward amidst an increasingly challenging global economy.

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Voices from the FES New York 2018 Fall Academy

Young leaders from across the globe studied the 2030 Agenda and will push to make it a reality.

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