The annual Athens Democracy Forum was held on 14-19 September 2018, organized The New York Times in yV) 7 and Athens City Hall. As in previous years, 7 @

Day of Democracy.

This year's programme centred around the theme Democracy in Danger: Solut ons for a Changing World, featuring discussions such as The Allure of the Illiberal: Are there f aws in the classic models of democracy?; When Technology Collides with Cit zenship: How are rapid technological advances changing the nature of polit cs?; Ident ty, Diversity and Inclusion: How can democracies preserve human rights amidst pervasive populist backlashes?; and The Business of Business: Do companies today have a greater responsibility to society, and when is engagement good for business? Venues

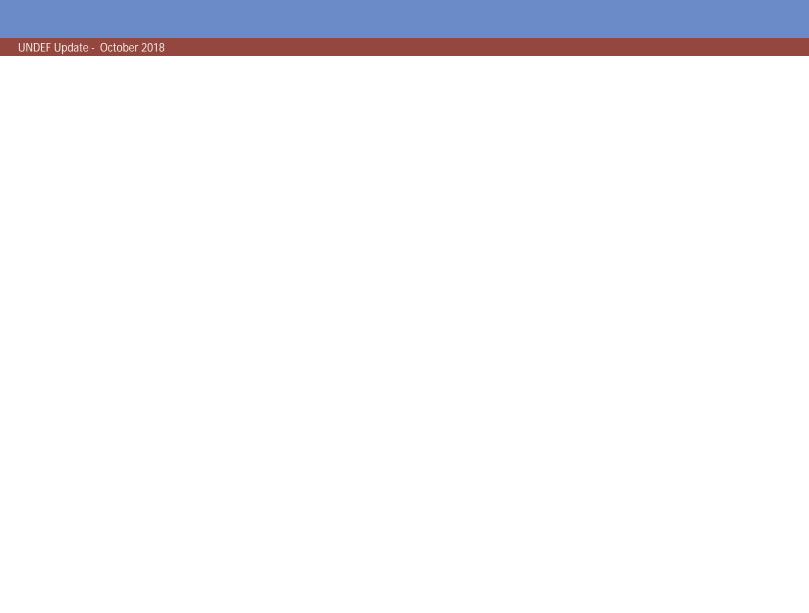
the Ancient Agora of Athens – the very birthplace of democracy; the Acropolis Museum; and Costa Navarino, a sustainable U Peloponnese. The Mayor of Athens also presented the annual City of Athens Democracy Award to Joaquim Chissano, former President of



'Am I Equal in Kosovo society?' an UNDEF project worked to reduce

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strong and stable democracies. Project grantee h-V @



## Secretary-General approves almost 50 new UNDEF project proposals

The UN Secretary-General has approved a short list of 49 project proposals for UNDEF's 12th Round of Funding, following y V Democracy Fund Advisory Board. UNDEF has yV) - 7 u annual call for project proposals was open from 20 November 2017 to 20 December