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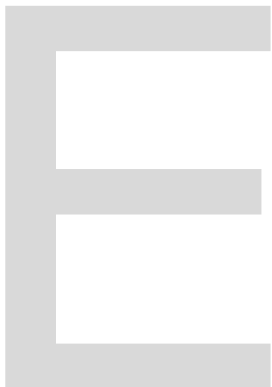
Virtual meeting, 19 and 20 August 2020
In-person conference, 2021 in Vienna

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Programme

Wednesday, 19 August 2020

- 14.00–14.30 (CEST) Inauguration of the Speakers' Conference
Opening remarks by:
- Ms. Gabriela Cuevas Barron, IPU President
 - Mr. Wolfgang Sobotka, President, Austrian National Council
 - Mr. António Guterres, United Nations Secretary-General
- 14.35–15.20 Setting the stage: Interactive debate on health, climate and the economy
Chair: Ms. Gabriela Cuevas Barron, IPU President
Anchor: Ms. Claire Doole
Special guests:
- Ms. Sarah Gilbert
Professor of Vaccinology, University of Oxford
 - Ms. Phoebe Koundouri
Professor, Athens University of Economics and Business
President-Elect, European Association of Environmental and Resource Economists
 - Mr. Jeffrey Sachs
Director of the Center for Sustainable Development and
Professor, Columbia University
Director, UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network
- 15.30–16.10 Presentation of reports:
Making gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls a reality: Best practices and parliamentary commitments
Lead Speakers:
- Mr. Kenneth Lusaka (Kenya)
 - Ms. Donatille Mukabalisa (Rwanda)
 - Ms. Shirin Sharmin Chaudhury (Bangladesh)
- Stepping up youth participation in politics and parliaments: From words to action*
Lead Speakers:
- Lord Fakafanua (Tonga)
 - Ms. Fawzia Zainal (Bahrain)
 - Mr. Slimane Chenine (Algeria)



Decade of action to achieve the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

Lead Speakers:

- Mr. Chuan Leekpai (Thailand)
- Ms. Tone Wilhelmsen Trøen (Norway)

16.20–17.05 Panel discussion: *Stepping up parliamentary action: The climate change emergency*

Lead Speakers:

- Mr. César Litardo Caicedo (Ecuador)
- Ms. Roser Suñé Pascuet (Andorra)
- Mr. Haroun Kabadı (Chad)

Panellists:

- Ms. Yolanda Kakabadse
Former President, World Wildlife Fund (WWF) and International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN)
- Mr. Luis Alfonso de Alba
Special Envoy of the UN Secretary-General for the 2019 Climate Summit

17.15–18.00 Panel discussion: *Human mobility in pursuit of a better life: Challenges, opportunities and solutions*

Lead Speakers:

- Ms. Laura Rojas (Mexico)
- Mr. Mustafa Şentop (Turkey)
- Ms. Zinaida Greceanii (Republic of Moldova)

Panellists:

- Ms. Gillian Triggs
Assistant High Commissioner for Protection, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)
- Mr. Gilles Carbonnier
Vice-President, International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC)

Thursday, 20 August 2020

14.00–14.25 (CEST) Presentation of reports (continuation)

Democracy and the changing role of parliament in the twenty-first century

Lead Speakers:

- Mr. Demetris Syllouris (Cyprus)
- Ms. Rebecca Alitwala Kadaga (Uganda)

Science, technology and ethics: Emerging challenges and urgent solutions

Lead Speakers:

- Mr. Yariv Levin (Israel)
- Ms. Akiko Santo (Japan)

14.30–15.15 Panel discussion: *Improving governance by bridging the gap between parliaments and the people*

Lead Speakers:

- Mr. Jan Anthonie Bruijn (Netherlands)
- Ms. Puan Maharani (Indonesia)

Panellists:

- Ms. Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka
Executive Director, UN Women
- Mr. Fabrizio Hochschild-Drummond
Special Advisor to the UN Secretary-General on the Commemoration of the United Nations 75th Anniversary

- 15.25–16.10 Panel discussion: *Forging inclusive and sustainable economies that deliver well-being and justice for all*
Lead Speakers:
- Ms. Gabriela Cuevas Barron (IPU President)
 - Mr. Jacob F. Mudenda (Zimbabwe)
- Panellists:
- Mr. Augustus Nuwagaba
Professor, Makerere University
 - Ms. Armida Salsiah Alisjahbana
Under-Secretary-General of the United Nations and
Executive Secretary, United Nations Economic and
Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP)
- 16.20–17.05 Special event: *Countering terrorism and violent extremism:
The perspective of victims*
Testimony:
- Mr. Imrana Alhaji Buba
Young victim from Nigeria, founder of the Youth Coalition Against
Terrorism (YOCAT)
- Lead Speakers:
- Mr. Wolfgang Sobotka (Austria)
 - Ms. Beatriz Argimón (Uruguay)
 - Mr. Reinhold Lopatka, President of the IPU High-Level Advisory Group
on Countering Terrorism and Violent Extremism
- Panellists:
- Ms. Ghada Fathi Waly
Director-General, United Nations Office at Vienna
Executive Director, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC)
 - Mr. Vladimir Voronkov
Under-Secretary-General, United Nations Office of
Counter-Terrorism (UNOCT)
- 17.10–18.00 Adoption of the Declaration *on parliamentary leadership for more effective
multilateralism that delivers peace and sustainable development for the people
and planet*
- Closing remarks
- Mr. Wolfgang Sobotka
President, Austrian National Council
 - Mr. Tijjani Muhammad-Bande
President of the UN General Assembly
 - Ms. Gabriela Cuevas Barron
IPU President