TENTATIVE PROGRAM

- 8h30 Registration
- 9h30 Opening by H.E. Ms Federica Mogherini, High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy
- 9h50 **Debrief Ministerial on Climate Action by H.E. Mr Miguel Arias Cañete, EU Commissioner for Climate Action & Energy**
- 10h00 Theme 1: Indispensable multilateralism: a shared responsibility to prepare

Introductory remarks by H.E. Ms Sushma Swaraj, Minister of External Affairs of India

Panel speakers*

- H.E. Ms Patricia Espinosa, Executive Secretary of United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change
- H.E. Ms Margot Wallström, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Sweden
- H.E. Ms Josefa Leonel Correia Sacko, Commissioner for Rural Economy and Agriculture, African Union (to be confirmed)

Moderated by Christopher Burns

- 11h15 Presentation by Dr Andrew Steer, President and CEO of World Resources Institute
- 11h30 Theme 2: Treating causes and symptoms together: integrating action on climate, security and development

Introductory remarks by H.E. Mr Erik Solheim, Executive Director of United Nations Environment Programme

Panel speakers*

- The Honourable Mr David Paul, Minister-in-Assistance to the President and Minister of Environment of The Marshall Islands
- H.E. Mr Xie Zhenhua, Special Representative for Climate Change of China
- H.E. Mr Cherif Mahamat Zene, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Chad (to be confirmed)

Moderated by Christopher Burns

- 12h45 Closing by H.E. Ms Margot Wallström, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Sweden
- 13h00 Lunch

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CV OF SPEAKERS

H.E. Ms Federica Mogherini, High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy



H.E. Ms Federica Mogherini (Rome, 1973) has been Vice-President of the European Commission and High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy in the Juncker Commission since November 2014. Before that, she served as Italian Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation in the Renzi Cabinet. Also, she was Member of the Italian Parliament, Head of the Italian delegation to the NATO parliamentary assembly, Member of the Italian Institute for Foreign Affairs (IAI). HR/VP Mogherini is married and has two daughters.

H.E. Mr Miguel Arias Cañete, EU Commissioner for Climate Action & Energy

H.E. Mr Miguel Arias Cañete (Madrid, 1950) has been EU Commissioner for Climate Action & Energy in the Juncker Commission since November 2014. Before that, he held several ministerial posts in Spain in various periods, served as Member of the European Parliament in two periods (1986-1999 and 2014) and in the Spanish Congress as Representative for Cadiz (2004-2008), and worked in two periods as State Attorney in Ceuta, Cadiz and Jerez de la Frontera (1975-1982 and 1999-2000). Commissioner Cañete is married and has three children.



H.E. Ms Patricia Espinosa, Executive Secretary of United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change



H.E. Ms Patricia Espinosa (Mexico City, 1958) was appointed Executive Secretary of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change in May 2016, replacing Ms. Christiana Figueres. Previously, she served as Minister of Foreign Affairs of Mexico and Ambassador of Mexico to Germany. As Mexico's representative on multilateral bodies and international organizations in Vienna, Geneva and New York, Ms Espinosa has been engaged as leader in the global challenge to address climate change and its consequences for a long time. Ms Espinosa is married and has two children.

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H.E. Mrs Sushma Swaraj, Minister of External Affairs of India

H.E. Mrs Sushma Swaraj (Ambala, 1952) has been India's Minister of External Affairs in the Modi government since 2014. Before, she served in a variety of legislative and political posts at the state and national levels in India, including as minister of Information and Broadcasting (2000-2003), minister of Health & Family Welfare and Parliamentary Affairs (2003-2004) and Chairperson of the Standing Committee on External Affairs (2009-2010). In 2004, she was honoured with the 'Outstanding Parliamentarian Award' – India's first woman Member of Parliament to be honoured with this award. Mrs Swaraj is married and has one daughter.



H.E. Ms Margot Wallström, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Sweden



H.E. Ms Margot Wallström (Kågedalen, 1954) has been the Swedish Minister for Foreign Affairs in the Löfven government since October 2014. She has a long career in European and Swedish public administration and politics. She served as First Vice President of the European Commission in the Barroso Commission (2004-2010), EU Commissioner for the Environment in the Prodi Commission (1999-2004) and Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict (2010-2012). Apart from being a member of the Swedish Parliament between 1979 and 1985, she also worked as Minister for Social Affairs (1996-1998), Minister for Culture (1994-1996) and Deputy Minister of Public Administration (1988-1991). Ms Wallström is married and has two sons.

H.E. Ms Josefa Correia Sacko, Commissioner for Rural Economy and Agriculture, African Union (to be confirmed)

H.E. Ms Josefa Leonel Correia Sacko has been the Commisisoner for Rural Economy and Agriculture for the African Union since January 2017. Before that, in December 2016, she was nominated executive administrator on the Administrative Council of the Funds for Agriculture Development. She also worked as Special Adviser to the Angolan Minister of Environment, where she also served as ambassador responsible for climate change, and to the Department of the Angolan Minister of Agriculture. Ms Sacko was also elected the Secretary General of the Inter-African Coffee Organization and led the organization for 13 years in Ivory Coast.



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H.E. Mr Chérif Mahamat Zene, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Chad (to be confirmed)



H.E. Mr Chérif Mahamat Zene (1964) has been Minister for Foreign Affairs of Chad since 2017. Before that, Mr Zene served as the Permanent Representative of Chad to the United Nations (2013-2017). He has had a long diplomatic career with appointments as Ambassador of Chad to Ethiopia and Representative of Chad to the African Union (2007-2013). In this last position, he was three times president of the Council for Peace and Security. He has also held several positions in the Chadian administration, including Diplomatic Affairs Advisor to the Prime Minister (2005-2007), Head of Department in charge of diplomatic affairs to the Prime Minister (1994-1997) and Press Secretary to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (1993-1994).

H.E. Mr Erik Solheim, Executive Director of United Nations Environment Programme

H.E. Mr Erik Solheim (Oslo, 1955) has been Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme since May 2016. Before taking up this position, he served as Chair of the Development Assistance Committee (DAC) of the Organization for Economic Co-Operation and Development (OECD). Mr Solheim has a long career in Norwegian public administration and politics. He served as Minister of the Environment and International Development (2007-2012), Special Adviser at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs as peace negotiator in Sri Lanka (2000-2005) and Member of Parliament (1989-2001) as leader of the Socialist Left Party. He is married and has four children.



The Honourable Mr David Paul, Minister-in-Assistance to the President and Minister of Environment of The Marshall Islands



The Honourable Mr David Paul has been Minister-in-Assistance to the President and Minister of Environment of the Republic of the Marshall Islands since November 2017, replacing the Honourable Mr Mattlan Zackhras. Previously, he also served as senator from the Kwajalein Atoll. As a Small Island Developing States (SIDS), the Marshall Islands are part of the High Ambition Coalition to strengthen national and global action.

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H.E. Mr Xie Zhenhua, Special Representative for Climate Change of People's Republic of China

H.E. Mr Xie Zhenhua (Tianjin, 1949) has been China's Special Representative for Climate Change since April 2015. He has also been the lead negotiator for China in the UN climate change conferences for many years. Previously, he was as vice chairman of the National Development and Reform Commission (2007-2015), served as Vice Chairman of China Council for International Cooperation on Environment and Development, and worked as Minister and Director-General for the State Environmental Protection Agency (SEPA).



Dr Andrew Steer, President and CEO, World Resources Institute



Dr Andrew Steer has been President and CEO of the World Resources Institute since 2012. Before that, he served as Special Envoy for Climate Change at the World Bank (2010-2012) and Director General at the UK Department of Intenrational Development (DFID) in London (2007-2010). He is member of various Councils and Advisory Groups and serves on the Executive Board of the UN Secretary General's Sustainable Energy for All Initiative. He held several senior posts at the World Bank and was the Chief Author of the 1992 World Development Report on Environment and Development.

Mr Christopher Burns (moderator)

Mr Christopher Burns has more than 30 years' experience in the media, including Euronews, CNN and Bloomberg TV, and covered politics, armed conflicts and natural disasters in his reporting. He was also host of the Euronews talk show The Network for five years. Mr Burns has a longstanding experience in moderating events for the World Economic Forum, OECD, World Bank, United Nations and European institutions.



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