

## Programme

# High Level Event: Transformative Action for Nature & People

Wednesday 22 September 2021

08.00 – 10.30 EDT

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### Master of Ceremony

**Dr. Musonda Mumba**, Director, UNDP Rome Centre for Sustainable Development

### Opening Remarks

*Moderated by Ms. Christiana Figueres*, Founding Partner of Global Optimism & Former Executive Secretary of the UNFCCC

**H.E. Dr. Angela Merkel**, Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany

**H.E. Rt Hon Gaston Browne**, Prime Minister of Antigua and Barbuda

**H.E. Rt Hon Boris Johnson MP**, Prime Minister of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

**H.E. Hon Abdulla Shahid**, President of the 76th Session of the United Nations General Assembly

### Live Interactive Leaders' Panel - Transformative Actions to Conserve, Sustainably Use, Restore and Mainstream Biodiversity

*Moderated by H.E. Mr. Carlos Alvarado Quesada*, President of the Republic of Costa Rica

**H.E. Mr. Ibrahim Mohamed Solih**, President of the Maldives

**H.E. Lyonchhen Dr. Lotay Tshering**, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Bhutan

**Ms. Hindou Oumarou Ibrahim**, Coordinator of AFPAT & Board Member of International Indigenous Peoples Forum on Climate Change

**Mr. Marco Lambertini**, Director General, WWF International

**H.E. Mr. Muhammadu Buhari**, President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria *via pre-recorded video*

### Leaders Statements for Nature & People - Session 1

**H.E. Mr. Sebastián Piñera**, President of the Republic of Chile & UNFCCC COP 25 Presidency

**H.E. Rear-Admiral Hon. Josaia Voreqe Bainimarama**, Prime Minister of Fiji

**H.E. Mr. Ali Bongo Ondimba**, President of Gabon

**H.E. Mr. Zoran Milanović**, President of the Republic of Croatia

**H.E. Mr. Alexander van der Bellen**, Federal President of the Republic of Austria

**Ms. Yvonne Aki-Sawyers**, Mayor of Freetown, Sierra Leone

**Mr. Levi Sucre Romero**, Indigenous Leader, Global Alliance of Territorial Communities

### Setting the tone for Financing a Nature Positive World

**H.E. Ms. Ursula von der Leyen**, President of the European Commission

## Live Interactive Leaders' Panel - Financing a Nature Positive World

*Moderated by Mr. Achim Steiner, Administrator, United Nations Development Program*

**H.E. Mr. Iván Duque Márquez**, President of the Republic of Colombia

**H.E. Ms. Erna Solberg**, Prime Minister of Norway

**H.E. Mr. Carlos Alvarado Quesada**, President of the Republic of Costa Rica

**Dr. Andrew Steer**, Chief Executive Officer & President, Bezos Earth Fund

**Dr. James Deutsch**, Chief Executive Officer, Rainforest Trust

**Ms. Zdenka Piskulich**, Managing Director, Enduring Earth

## Leaders Statements - Financing a Nature Positive World

**Ms. Vicky Tauli Corpus**, Nia Tero Board Chair

**Ms. Molly McUsic**, President, Wyss Foundation

**Professor Sir Partha Dasgupta**, Frank Ramsey Emeritus Professor of Economics, University of Cambridge

**Mr. Carlos Manuel Rodriguez**, Chief Executive Officer, Global Environment Facility

**Mr. Yannick Glemarec**, Executive Director, Green Climate Fund

**Mr. Saker Nusseibeh**, CEO, International Federated Hermes on behalf of Finance for Biodiversity Pledge

## *Inspiring video*

## Leaders Statements for Nature & People – Session 2

**H.E. Mr. Klaus Iohannis**, President of Romania

**H.E. Mr. Stefan Löfven**, Prime Minister of Sweden

**H.E. Dr János Áder**, President of Hungary

**H.E. Mr. Marcelo Rebelo de Sousa**, President of Portugal

**Mr. Johnny Kasudluak**, Arqviiliit Indigenous Protected and Conserved Area, Nunavik, Canada

**H.E. Ms. Natalia Gavrilică**, Prime Minister of the Republic of Moldova

**H.E. Mr. Jean-Yves Le Drian**, Minister for Europe and Foreign Affairs of France

**Ms. Erika Mouynes**, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Panama

**Ms. Ana María Hernández Salgar**, Chair, IPBES

**Hon. Evarist Bartolo**, Minister for Foreign and European Affairs of Malta

**Dr. Daniela Raik**, Executive Vice President for Field Programs, Conservation International

## *Inspiring video*

## Closing Remarks

**H.E. Mr. Alexander De Croo**, Prime Minister of Belgium

**H.E. Ms. Amina J. Mohammed**, Deputy Secretary-General of the United Nations

**Ms. Inger Anderson**, Executive Director, United Nations Environment Program

**Ms. Elizabeth Mrema**, Executive Secretary, Convention on Biological Diversity

## Additional Leaders Statements

**H.E. Mr. Roberto Cingolani**, Minister for the Ecological Transition of Italy

**Dr. Abdullah Mohammad Bel Haif Al Nuaimi**, Minister of Climate Change & Environment of United Arab Emirates

**Mr. Tom de Bruijn**, Minister for Foreign Trade and Development Cooperation of the Netherlands

**Mr. Malcolm Noonan T.D.**, Minister of State for Heritage and Electoral Reform, Ireland

**Mr. Shah Mahmood Qureshi**, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Pakistan

**Mr. Rubén Ramírez Mateo**, Minister of Environment of Peru

**Ms. Patricia Zurita**, Chief Executive Officer, Birdlife International

## Co-hosts



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