The Global State of HUMAN RIGHTS

High level conference

Second edition

15-16 July 2022

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Programme

Friday, 15 July 2022

09:00 - 10:00 **Registration and coffee**

10:00 - 10:10 **Official opening of the conference**
Roberta Metsola, President of the European Parliament (video message)

10:10 - 10:20 **Welcome and setting the scene: Global human rights challenges and their impact on children and youth**
- Veronica Gomez, President of the Global Campus of Human Rights and Judge at the Inter-American Court of Human Rights
- Ole von Uexküll, Executive Director of Right Livelihood

10:20 - 10:25 **Welcome words**
Luigi Brugnaro, Mayor of Venice

10:25 - 10:40 **Opening keynote**
Denis Mukwege, Doctor, Human Rights Activist and Nobel Peace Prize, Sakharov and Right Livelihood Laureate

10:40 - 10:50 **Animated videos** on the United Nations Global Study on Children Deprived of Liberty and the Interactive Map of Promising Practices

10:50 - 12:40 **Panel 1: Children behind bars**

Moderators
- Manfred Nowak, Secretary General of the Global Campus of Human Rights and Independent Expert leading the UN Global Study on Children Deprived of Liberty
- Maria Soraya Rodríguez Ramos, Member of the European Parliament

Testimonial

- Ibrahima Lo, Writer from Senegal

Keynote

- Najat Maalla M'jid, UN Special Representative of the Secretary General on Violence Against Children (video message)

Panellists

- Duarte Nuno Vieira, Professor at the University of Coimbra
- Benoit Van Keirsbilck, Member of the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child and Director of Defence for Children International
- Christina Kokkinakis, Director for Values and Multilateral Relations at the European External Action Service
- Juan Fernando López Aguilar, Chair of the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs of the European Parliament

MEP Interventions: Nacho Sánchez Amor
Global Campus Alumni Discussants: Rocío Comas (GC Latin America and the Caribbean) & Nkatha Murungi (GC Africa)

12:40 - 13:40 **Lunch break**

13:40 - 13:45 **Artistic interlude** with the video 'Childhood Never Ends' by Alessandro Ienzi & Raizes Teatro

13:45 - 14:15 **Keynote**
Benedetto Della Vedova, Deputy Foreign Minister of Italy
together with guest of honour
Emine Dzhaparova, First Deputy Foreign Minister of Ukraine

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14:15 - 16:00 Panel 2: Children affected by armed conflict and violence

Moderators

- Maria Arena, Chair of the Subcommittee for Human Rights of the European Parliament
- Elina Pirjatanniemi, Vice-President of the Global Campus of Human Rights and Professor at Åbo Akademi University

Testimony

- Sanaa Seif, Human Rights Activist from Egypt

Keynotes

- Ilze Brands Kehris, UN Assistant Secretary General for Human Rights
- Virginia Gamba, UN Special Representative of the Secretary General on Children and Armed Conflict

Panellists

- Flavia Pansieri, former UN Deputy High Commissioner for Human Rights
- Lotte Leicht, Chair of the Board of the European Center for Constitutional and Human Rights
- Essam Daod, Co-founder of Humanity Crew and Psychiatrist
- François Zimeray, Lawyer

MEP Interventions: Pierfrancesco Majorino, Vice-President of the Committee for Development of the European Parliament
Global Campus Alumni Discussants: Francesco Cavalluzzo (GC Arab World) & Parvez Pirzado (GC Asia-Pacific)

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09:15 - 09:20 **Opening keynote**
Jutta Urpilainen, EU Commissioner for International Partnerships (video message)

09:20 - 10:50 **High-level segment** on the Global State of Human Rights

Moderators
- David McAllister, Chair of the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the European Parliament
- George Ulrich, Academic Director of the Global Campus of Human Rights

Panellists
- Eamon Gilmore, EU Special Representative for Human Rights
- Richard Bennett, UN Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights in Afghanistan

Closing
- Heidi Hautala, Vice-President of the European Parliament

10:50 - 11:20 **Coffee break**

11:20 - 11:45 **Interview** with Mai Khôi, Musician and Activist from Vietnam by Laura Thomi (GC Europe Alumna)

11:45 - 11:55 Video on the **GC YouLead Campaign**, presented by Wiebke Lamer and Meredith Veit

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11:55 - 13:35 Panel 3: Looking ahead - Youth as drivers of change

Moderators

- Isabel Wiseler-Lima, Member of the European Parliament
- Ravi Prakash Vyas, Professor at Kathmandu Law School

Testimony

- Nane & Lusine from Armenia, Members of the Global Campus Children Leadership Group

Keynote

- Marthe Wandou, Right Livelihood Laureate and Activist from Cameroon

Panelists

- Ghada Krayem, Recipient of the EU Green Skills Award
- Farida Amiri, Founder of Peace Friends Afghanistan
- Sebastiano Cognolato, President and Co-founder of Venice Calls

MEP Interventions
Global Campus Alumni Discussants: Mariam Muradyan (GC Caucasus) & Nejira Pašić (GC South East Europe)

13:35 - 13:45 Closing words

- Heidi Hautala, Vice-President of the European Parliament
- Manfred Nowak, Secretary General of the Global Campus of Human Rights

13:45 - 15:15 Lunch at Restaurant Villa Mabapa

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For conference speakers and special guests

More detailed information on this was communicated in advance and is included in an information note in the conference folder of the invited guests.

Friday, 15 July 2022

17:45 **Meeting** at Piazza San Marco in Venice

18:00 **Special visit and cocktail** at Procuratie Vecchie at Piazza San Marco
Hosted by **Human Safety Net / Generali Venice**

20:00 **Concert of the Human Rights Orchestra at Teatro La Fenice**
Combined with a book launch of the 'Routledge Companion on Music and Human Rights' (edited by Julian Fifer, Angela Impey, Peter Kirchschläger, Manfred Nowak and George Ulrich)

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18:00 Boat tour and dinner on the occasion of the Venetian **Redentore festival** — *Departure from and return to the Vaporetto Station Lido S. Nicolò Cipro.*

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