

Summit of the Future Action Days

Side Event

Saturday, 21 September 2024 (1:15pm-2:45pm)

United Nations Secretariat Building

Conference Room S-1523 (15th Floor)

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“Addressing transformative change as part of the United Nations 2030 Agenda”

Introduction:

The principal declaration in the United Nations 2030 Agenda is to “transform our world for the better by 2030”, however, very little attention has been given to the human element that must be part of making real progress on the 2030 Agenda and the Sustainable Development Goals.

With only 17 percent of the SDG targets currently on track and over one-third stalled or going in reverse, global leaders have come to understand that without a fundamental ‘human shift’, it will not be possible to transform our world as envisaged in the 2030 Agenda.

This panel will explore ways to address transformative change as part of the 2030 Agenda, including the environmental, social, economic, cultural and institutional dimensions. It will introduce the notion that ‘transforming our world’ means changing our mindsets, so we begin to think and act in new ways and, in doing so, begin to restore the balance between humans and nature – a vital step in safeguarding our environment and our oceans.

Panelists will explore ways that philanthropy can assist in this transformation by supporting UN processes that are helping to restore this balance and realize the goal of living in harmony with nature.

A presentation will be made on the establishment of a global alliance to support new ways of thinking about the planet and our global challenges and restoration of the Earth and its ecosystems as a key outcome of the Summit of the Future.

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	Welcome	
1:15pm – 1:20 pm	Programme Director Velux Fonden	Charlotte Mogensen
1:20pm – 1:30 pm	Keynote panel: Addressing transformative change as part of the United Nations 2030 Agenda	Juan Carlos Navarro Minister of Environment, Panamá



1:30 pm – 2:30 pm	<p>Moderator:</p> <p>Charlotte Mogensen (VELUX Foundation)</p>	<p>Panelists:</p> <p>Inger Andersen (to be confirmed) Under-Secretary-General of the United Nations and Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme</p> <p>Abdalah Mokssit Secretary of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change</p> <p>Francisca Cortés Solari Executive President Philanthropy Cortes Solari</p> <p>Valerie Hickey Global Director of Environment, Natural Resources and Blue Economy</p> <p>Julio Cordano Ambassador, Head of Environment, Climate Change and Oceans Division Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Chile</p> <p>Astrid Schomaker Executive Secretary of the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity</p> <p>Adrian Lema Director, National Center for Climate Research Danish Meteorological Institute</p>
	<p>Presentation:</p> <p>Establishing a global alliance for transformative change</p>	<p>Michael Shewchuk United Nations Legal Officer and Co-Founder of the Global Center for Human Change</p>
2:30 pm – 2:45 pm	Q&A and Conclusions	All panelists and presenters