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9-11 November 2020 (all times in Reykjavik local time)

MONDAY - NOVEMBER 9

13.00 - 13.10

WELCOME

- Hanna Birna Kristjánsdóttir, Senior Adviser, Women's Leadership, UN Women; Chair of the Board, Reykjavik Global Forum - Women Leaders
- Silvana Koch-Mehrin, President and Founder, Women Political Leaders

13.10 - 13.30

TIME FOR LEADERSHIP – HIGH TIME FOR WOMEN

- Katrín Jakobsdóttir, Prime Minister of Iceland; Chair of the Council of Women World Leaders
- Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka, United Nations Under-Secretary General, Executive Director of UN Women
- Amanda Nguyen, CEO and Founder, Rise
- Chaired by Helen Clark, Chair of the WPL Board; Prime Minister of New Zealand (1999-2008); UNDP Administrator (2009-2017); Member of the Council of Women World Leaders

The Reykjavík Global Forum - Women Leaders 2020 opens with a conversation among trailblazing women leaders on the crucial need for women's leadership in unprecedented times. 2020 was intended to be a milestone year for advancing women's equality and leadership. The onset of COVID has not only disrupted these plans, but starkly demonstrated persisting inequalities. Women are facing disproportionate impacts across health, safety and economic dimensions, and yet, decision makers on pandemic response are overwhelmingly male. This opening session will emphasize the necessity of equitable decision-making in order to build back better, the need to mobilize as a community of women leaders to generate commitments and action in a symbolic year, and how individual leadership can create the kinds of change demanded by the current moment.



13.30 - 13.35

THE POWER OF... COLLABORATION

- Mark Pollock, Explorer, Speaker & Collaborator

13.35 - 13.55

THERE CAN BE NO HEALTH WITHOUT MENTAL HEALTH

- Jess Phillips, Member of House of Commons; Shadow Minister for Domestic Violence and Safeguarding; WPL Ambassador, UK
- Elisa Tarazona Gines, CEO, Ribera Salud
- Hauwa Ojeifo, Certified Mental Health Coach & Advocate; Executive Director, She Writes Woman
- Chaired by Marie-Louise Coleiro Preca, President of Eurochild; President of Malta (2014-2019); Member of the WPL Board; Member of the Council of Women World Leaders

Mental health afflictions do not discriminate: women and men, rich and poor, young and old are all affected. The WHO estimates 800,000 deaths by suicide annually, while depression and anxiety disorders cost the global economy over 140 trillion Icelandic Króna (US\$1 trillion). In many countries, there is little or no support available. Prior to the pandemic, WHO estimates that countries were spending less than 2% of national budgets on mental health. Currently, a WHO survey indicates that the pandemic has disrupted or halted critical services in 93% of countries. In addition, the world has seen a surge in mental health being adversely affected by the pandemic. The urgency is immense and demands that approaches to mental health be seriously reconsidered.

14.00 - 14.30

POWER AS PERCEIVED: SOCIETAL PREJUDICE AND ITS EFFECTS ON LEADERSHIP

- Atsushi Sunami, President, Sasakawa Peace Foundation
- Hafsat Abiola, President, Women in Africa (WIA); Founder, Kudirat Initiative for Democracy
- Hiltrud Werner, Member of the Board of Management for Integrity and Legal Affairs, Volkswagen AG
- Chaired by Michelle Harrison, Global CEO, Kantar Public

First launched in 2018, the Reykjavik Index for Leadership measures popular perceptions on suitability of women and men for leadership positions. This session features the outcomes of the latest research on attitudes in the G7 nations, along with new evidence from India, Kenya, and Nigeria. The Index discerns where progress is being made and where it is stalling, or regressing. Amid the social, economic, and political turbulence of 2020, tracking the perceptions of people in our societies is more important than ever. But



measurement is not enough. Impactful and sustainable changes in attitudes toward women in leadership will require targeted and collaborative efforts. Panellists will be invited to discuss their views on how to move beyond the evidence and arrive at societies that welcome diverse leadership.

14.30 - 14.45

FIRESIDE CHAT

JOSÉ MANUEL BARROSO AND THORAYA OBAID

- José Manuel Barroso, Chairman, Goldman Sachs International; Chairman-Elect, Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance; President of the European Commission (2004-2014); Prime Minister of Portugal (2002-2004)
- Thoraya Ahmed Obaid, Chair, W20; Member, Independent Panel on Pandemic Preparedness & Response (2020 - 2021); Member, Shura Council, Saudi Arabia (2013-2016); UNFPA Executive Director, UN Under-Secretary-General (2001-2010)
- Chaired by Keitumetse Pule, Founder & Executive Director, Tshwelopele le Katlego NPC; G(irls)20 Delegate, South Africa

The COVID-19 pandemic has exposed global political fault-lines and power struggles. The United Nations struggled to find an answer, meanwhile emphasising the importance of global cooperation. Where are the new centers of power and decision-making? How can we fix international relations? And, as always in times of crisis, will women be the fixers?

15.00 - 15.25

THE ECONOMY OF CARING

AND THE IMPACTS OF COVID-19

- Felicia Marie Knaul, Director, Institute for Advanced Study of the Americas; Professor, Miller School of Medicine, University of Miami; Founding President, Tómatelo a Pecho, A.C.
- Belén Garijo, Deputy CEO; Vice Chair of the Executive Board; CEO, Healthcare; CEO Designate, Merck KGaA Darmstadt, Germany
- Lina Gálvez Muñoz, Member; Vice-chair of the Committee on Industry, Research and Energy, The European Parliament
- Chaired by Christine Heenan, Senior Partner, Flagship Pioneering; Founder & President, Clarendon Group

Family, health, and the economy at large are all being heavily impacted by COVID-19 and the critical role of unpaid caregivers is taking centre-stage. This panel will feature the launch of new data on the global value of unpaid health care, to prompt a discussion on the critical contributions women are making to



global health, including as part of the responses to the COVID-19 pandemic in homes and in communities.

The disproportionate burden of care-work carried by women has always served to subsidise an economy that fails to value it. We all need to care more about care, and to provide a stable policy environment to support women when their most pressing business is to care for others.

15.25 - 15.30

THE POWER OF...
CLEANLINESS

- Shoukei Matsumoto, Buddhist Monk, Author of 'A Monk's Guide to a Clean House and Mind'

15.30 - 15.45

FIRESIDE CHAT
HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON AND MELANNE VERVEER

- Hillary Rodham Clinton, U.S. Secretary of State (2009-2013)
- Melanne Verveer, Executive Director, Georgetown Institute for Women, Peace and Security; U.S. Ambassador-at-Large for Global Women's Issues (2009-2013)

"Women must enjoy the right to participate fully in the social and political lives of their countries if we want freedom and democracy to thrive and endure."

It's been 25 years since Hillary Clinton delivered her highly influential speech ('Women's Rights are Human Rights') at the UN's Beijing Conference on Women. How much has changed since then? In this talk, Hillary Clinton and Melanne Verveer discuss the recommendations of the report 'Beijing + 25: Accelerating Progress for Women and Girls', reflecting on persistent challenges to achieving equality between women and men, plus key strategies for catalysing progress.

16.00 - 16.15

FIRESIDE CHAT
SVIATLANA TSIKHANOUSKAYA AND ROSALÍA ARTEAGA

- Sviatlana Tsikhanouskaya, Democratic Opposition Leader; Presidential Candidate (2020), Belarus; Human Rights Activist
- Rosalía Arteaga, Executive President of the FIDAL Foundation; President of Ecuador (1997); Member of the WPL Board

The political upheaval in Belarus is an urgent reminder to assess the important role of women standing up for democracy, and in grasping the



reins of political leadership. This conversation is a telling illustration of how women champion democracy.

16.15 - 16.20

THE POWER OF...
SPORT

- Brenna Huckaby, Gold Medal Snowboarder and Advocate

16.20 - 16.30

THE 2020 WPL TRAILBLAZER AWARDS

- Erna Solberg, Prime Minister of Norway; Member of the Council of Women World Leaders
- Michèle Duvivier Pierre-Louis, Prime Minister of Haiti (2008-2009); Member of the Council of Women World Leaders

16.35 - 16.55

NOTHING WILL WORK UNLESS WOMEN DO

- Rebeca Grynspan, Secretary-General, Secretaría General Iberoamericana (SEGIB)
- Isabel Saint Malo, Vice President and Minister of Foreign Affairs (2014-2019), Panama
- Kelley Currie, U.S. Ambassador-at-Large for Global Women's Issues, Office of Global Women's Issues
- Chaired by Matthew Swift, Co-Founder, Chairman & CEO, Concordia

Equal pay, maternity and paternity leave, access to institutions, ownership and management of property: this session will explore some of the most significant structural and legal challenges preventing equitable economic participation and paths to ensuring women's full integration into the formal economy. The panellists will discuss how to dismantle barriers to women's economic empowerment, with a focus on the Americas.



TUESDAY - NOVEMBER 10

13.00 - 13.05

WELCOME BACK

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13.05 - 13.10

PANEL OPENING REMARKS FINTECH AND EQUALITY

Tao Zhang, Deputy Managing Director, International Monetary Fund

13.10 - 13.30

FINTECH AND MARKET ACCESS, THE GREAT ENABLERS

- Sue Kelsey, Executive Vice President, Global Consumer Products and Financial Inclusion, Mastercard
- Obiageli "Oby" Ezekwesili, Economic and Policy Expert / Senior Economic Adviser, AEDPI; World Bank Vice-President, Africa Region (2007-2012)
- Christian Lanng, CEO and Co-Founder, Tradeshift
- Moderated by Shelley Zalis, CEO, The Female Quotient

Tools and technologies boost economic growth. So what is available to enable market access for entrepreneurs and small and medium-sized enterprises? What is available for women-owned and women-led businesses as the most dependable drivers of economic growth and stability?

13.30 - 13.50

CONSCIOUS CRITERIA FOR GLOBAL BUSINESS

- Anna Sophie Herken, Business Division Head, Allianz Asset Management GmbH; Member of the Board of Allianz Life (USA); Member of the Board of CPIC Fund Management Co. Ltd. (China)



- David Cruickshank, Chair of the Board of Directors, Social Progress Imperative
- Naina Subberwal Batra, Chairperson and CEO, AVPN
- Moderated by Lutfey Siddiqi, Adjunct Professor, National University of Singapore; Visiting Professor-in-Practice, London School of Economics

Five years after the adoption of the Sustainable Development Goals and the Paris Climate Agreement, more and more global stakeholders – from businesses to consumers, from investors to international institutions – recognize the indispensable role of financial markets in driving equitable and inclusive growth. Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) investments are therefore on the rise, and yet key questions remain. What data is used to shape investment decisions? How are social impacts being measured? How can we grow the market for impactful investing? This panel will engage in cross-sector analysis of today's key challenges and opportunities.

14.00 - 14.05

SPECIAL ADDRESS

IMMUNISATION:

TEACHING THE BODY TO RESPOND

- Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, Director-General, World Health Organization

14.05 - 14.25

GLOBAL HEALTH PROGRESS AT RISK

FOCUS ON IMMUNISATION

- Julie Gerberding, EVP and Chief Patient Officer, MSD
- Aminata Touré, President of Economic Council (2019-2020), Prime Minister (2013-2014), Minister of Justice Attorney General (2012-2013), Senegal; Member of the Council of Women World Leaders
- Kolinda Grabar Kitarović, 4th President of Croatia (2015-2020); WPL Ambassador for Immunization, Chair Emerita of the Council of Women World Leaders (2019-2020)
- Chaired by Claudia Romo Edelman, Founder, We Are All Human Foundation

In 2019, the WHO declared vaccine hesitancy as among the top 10 global health threats, while in 2020 the COVID-19 pandemic has underscored the importance of vaccines as an essential global health intervention. As a COVID-19 vaccine is under development, many countries are going into a second lockdown, causing further economic and emotional distress for people



and their communities and disrupting routine lifesaving immunization services. Against this context, this session will focus on the urgent need for action to recover vaccination coverage rates and programs hit by COVID-19, the impact on children from decreases in vaccination due to the pandemic, and the vital importance of getting immunisation regimes back on track.

14.30 - 14.50

CLIMATE CHANGE, THE GREAT LEVELLER

- Mary Robinson, Chair of The Elders; Adjunct Professor for Climate Justice, Trinity College Dublin; Member of the Council of Women World Leaders
- Christiana Figueres, Founding Partner, Global Optimism & former Executive Secretary, UNFCCC
- Damilola Ogunbiyi, CEO of Sustainable Energy for All; Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General for Sustainable Energy for All; Co-Chair of UN-Energy
- Chaired by Pat Mitchell, Curator, Convener, Founder of Connected Women Leaders

The challenges to human civilization are many, but climate change is proving to be the most dire. As average global temperatures rise, we find ourselves facing increasingly extreme weather conditions, from wildfires to droughts, to melting glaciers and rising sea levels. At the same time, climate change is threatening food production, countless species are being endangered by the destruction of their habitats, and novel viruses are emerging from compromised ecosystems.

This climate crisis demands action so immediate that leadership itself must change to address it, and women leaders must be at the forefront of driving action. This session will explore cross-sectoral solutions to combat the crisis and the structural inequalities that sustain it, with climate justice at the core of the response.

15.00 - 15.10

KEYNOTE

WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP

PATHWAYS TO BUILD A MORE EQUITABLE FUTURE

- Erna Solberg, Prime Minister of Norway; Member of the Council of Women World Leaders

15.10 - 15.30

FIRESIDE CHAT

ARCHITECTURE AND HUMANITY

- Olafur Eliasson, Artist
- Abeer Seikaly, Artist / Architect / Cultural Producer



- Chaired by Deborah Berke, Architect, Dean of Yale School of Architecture, Founder of Deborah Berke Partners

Humans define space. Architecture frames space. Where and how we live influences the human experience. In what ways does architecture define how human we are, and how humane? What do today's most innovative and creative architectural minds envisage for the future of humanity? How do they capture that vision in their work? How do they influence humanity with their architecture?

15.30 - 15.40

THE 2020 WPL TRAILBLAZER AWARDS

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- Mary Robinson, Chair of The Eders; Adjunct Professor for Climate Justice, Trinity College Dublin; Member of the Council of Women World Leaders

16.00 - 16.05

THE POWER OF... RESILIENCE

- Denis Mukwege, Founder and Medical Director, Panzi Hospital; 2018 Nobel Peace Prize Laureate; Member of the WPL Advisory Board

16.05 - 16.25

RESILIENCE PREPARING FOR AND OVERCOMING ADVERSITY

- Joyce Banda, President of Malawi (2012-2014); Member of the Council of Women World Leaders
- Michelle Nunn, President and CEO, CARE USA
- Mami Mizutori, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Disaster Risk Reduction; Head of UNDRR
- Moderated by Julia Novy-Hildesley, Professor of Practice and Executive Director, Change Leadership for Sustainability Program, Stanford University

Countless articles and books have been written about the importance of resilience and how to bounce back in the face of ongoing adversity. In today's challenging global context, what does resilience look like? How can women leaders shape more resilient societies? What conditions, tools, approaches, and kinds of leadership are required? This session will offer insight on tenacity and durability, from multiple perspectives – from the mitigation of disaster risks to COVID-19 response to political leadership.



16.30 - 16.35

THE POWER OF...
RELIGION AS A POWER SOURCE

- Blessing Omakwu, Deputy Director, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation; Founder of The She Tank

16.35 - 16.55

THE FUTURE OF THE WORLD

- Vikas Pota, Founder, T4 Education
- Olivier Oullier, President, EMOTIV
- Yonca Derviřođlu, Chief Marketing Officer, Google, Europe Middle East and Africa
- Chaired by Ailish Campbell, Ambassador Designate of Canada to the European Union

The Sustainable Development Goals seek to better the world and our future prospects by 2030. But what might the world look like in 2050? How will we live, love, work? What outlook and tools do digitalisation, science, and technology provide? How can we collaborate to build a more inclusive, equitable, sustainable, and prosperous future where no one is left behind?

WEDNESDAY - NOVEMBER 11

13.00 - 13.05

WELCOME BACK

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- Silvana Koch-Mehrin, President and Founder, Women Political Leaders

13.05 - 13.10

THE POWER OF...
LONELINESS

- Anino Emuwa, Founder and Managing Director Avandis Consulting

13.10 - 13.30

IT’S NOT IN HER HEAD. TAKING CONTROL
IMPROVING QUALITY OF CARE FOR WOMEN



- Iris Lowe-Friedrich, Chief Medical Officer, UCB
- Caroline Wozniacki, Former World Number One Professional Tennis Player
- Yōko Kamikawa, Minister of Justice of Japan; WPL Ambassador, Japan
- Moderated by Manuela Kasper-Claridge, Editor-in-Chief, Deutsche Welle

Numerous chronic inflammatory diseases occur more frequently in women than in men. Women living with such diseases often encounter multiple challenges, including greater stigmatization, especially when they get the diagnosis at the height of a career or in childbearing years. Moreover, chronic sufferers must live with unanswered questions, given the limited and/or conflicting information on how to best manage their illness. This panel considers the socioeconomic burden of severe chronic diseases in women worldwide and highlighting disparities between men and women. Caroline Wozniacki will share insights into her own journey and underline the need of healthcare systems to prioritise women living with chronic afflictions such as rheumatoid arthritis.

13.30 - 13.50

FAST FORWARD TO NOW INNOVATION DRIVEN BY RESTRICTION

- Clare Akamanzi, Executive CEO, Rwanda Development Board
- Christy Tanner, EVP and GM, CBS News Digital
- Diane Wang, Founder & Chairperson, DHgate.com
- Moderated by Elise Hufano, Partner, theDifference

COVID-19 has imposed myriad changes on society, slowing or stopping some traditional activities while accelerating other trends already on the rise. Remote communications are no longer an option but a given; online consumption has gone from luxury to necessity; and 24-hour access to news, entertainment, and even work is now to be expected. What new opportunities does the rush to online living bring? How will the shift affect our relationships, and our societies? How might this transformation force us to evolve as human beings, and as individuals?

14.00 - 14.10

INTERVIEW DIGITAL SOCIETIES: AN ALLY FOR ADVANCING EQUALITY?

- Kersti Kaljulaid, President of Estonia; Member of the Council of Women World Leaders
- Interviewed by Martin Bruncko, Founder and Managing Partner, Steam Capital



14.10 - 14.15

THE POWER OF...
ART

- Drue Kataoka, CEO, Drue Kataoka Studios

14.20 - 14.30

INTERVIEW
WHY WE SHOULD ALL BE FEMINISTS

- Guðlaugur Thór Thórdarson, Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Development Cooperation of Iceland
- Interviewed by Francesca Donner, Gender Director and Editor of In Her Words, New York Times

Inspired by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie's essay, *We Should All Be Feminists*, this session will feature the Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Development Cooperation of Iceland in conversation with Francesca Donner of the New York Times.

14.30 - 14.35

SPECIAL ADDRESS
WOMEN LEADERS DRIVING THE RECOVERY FROM COVID-19

- Amina J. Mohammed, Deputy Secretary-General, United Nations

14.35 - 14.50

FIRESIDE CHAT
JULIA GILLARD AND MICHELLE BACHELET

- Julia Gillard, Chair, Global Institute for Women's Leadership, King's College; Prime Minister of Australia (2010-2013); Member of the Council of Women World Leaders
- Michelle Bachelet, UN High Commissioner for Human Rights, President of Chile (2006-2010 and 2014-2018); Member of the WPL Global Advisory Board; Member of the Council of Women World Leaders

Women and Leadership: Real Lives, Real Lessons - insights from Julia Gillard and Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala's recently released book on women's unequal access to political power – and how to get there despite all obstacles.

15.00 - 15.20

WOMEN AFTER THE PANDEMIC

- Melinda Gates, Co-Chair, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
- Sanda Ojiambo, CEO & Executive Director, UN Global Compact



- K.K. Shailaja Teacher, Minister of Health and Social Welfare, Kerala State, India
- Moderated by Nancy Kacungira

This session will focus on one central question: Women held the world together in 2020. Will they have a fair shot at shaping the post-COVID society? The key topics for discussion will be the importance of women's leadership in shaping the pandemic response as well as the specific areas for action that governments and the private sector can take, with a focus on childcare. The session will also look ahead to the Generation Equality Forum next June, which is a critical platform for decisions and commitments that place women at the center of economic infrastructures, institutions, and decisions.

15.20 - 15.30

THE 2020 WPL TRAILBLAZER AWARDS

- Laura Chinchilla Miranda, President of Costa Rica (2010-2014); Member of Council of Women World Leaders
- Saara Kuugongelwa-Amadhila, Prime Minister of Namibia; Member of the Council of Women World Leaders

15.30 - 15.40

UPDATE FROM MARIA RESSA

- Maria Ressa, CEO & Executive Director, Rappler
- Elaine Quijano, CBSN Anchor, CBS News Digital

Journalist and CEO Maria Ressa, named 2018 Person of the Year by TIME magazine, returns to the Forum for an update on last year's discussion of the role of journalism in creating a more equal society, and the democratising power of maintaining and defending a free press. Interviewed by Elaine Quijano, CBSN Anchor at CBS News Digital.

15.45 - 15.55

INTERVIEW

THE FUTURE OF EUROPE AND DEMOCRACY

- Dubravka Šuica, Vice-President for Democracy and Demography, European Commission
- Interviewed by Anu Bradford, Henry L. Moses Professor of Law and International Organization, Columbia Law School

16.00 - 16.20

WOMEN LEADERS FOR GENERATION EQUALITY

- Angélique Kidjo, Singer-Songwriter, UNICEF Goodwill Ambassador
- Amy Weaver, President and Chief Legal Officer, Salesforce



- Lopa Banerjee, Director, Civil Society Division & Executive Coordinator, Generation Equality Forum, UN Women
- Chaired by: Chaired by: Anika Jane Dorothy, Convener, Young Women in Political Parties Leadership KE; East Africa Coordinator, AMPLIFY GIRLS

Women are underrepresented in leadership positions across all sectors. This must change, and not only in numbers – norms and regulations around leadership also need to change, to reflect greater diversity, inclusion, and accountability. The Generation Equality Forum, a joint effort to be convened in 2021 by UN Women and the governments of Mexico and France, will celebrate the power and significance of women’s rights activism, feminist solidarity, women’s leadership, and youth participation in achieving these necessary transformations, with the aim of full gender equality before 2030.

How can we ensure that the leadership, needs, and demands of girls and young women remain at the heart of the agenda? This panel will assemble a group of UN Women’s Leaders for Generation Equality to discuss and highlight the importance of diverse and intergenerational leadership.

16.35 - 16.40

THE POWER OF...

UNLOCKING THE POWER OF DIVERSITY

- Janina Kugel, Non-Executive Board Member and Senior Advisor

16.40 - 16.55

CELEBRATING POWER, TOGETHER

THE 2020 POWER, TOGETHER AWARD: THE PINK RIBBON

- Nancy G. Brinker, Founder, Susan G. Komen, The Promise Fund, Florida; Global Cancer Advocate
- Vigdís Finnbogadóttir, President of Iceland (1980-1996); Member of the Council of Women World Leaders

The POWER, TOGETHER AWARDS honour outstanding global initiatives that inspire people to Power, Together to create positive change in society. The recipients of 2020 POWER, TOGETHER AWARDS are awarded for their outstanding achievement of making the “Pink Ribbon” the globally recognised icon for breast cancer awareness. Today, the Pink Ribbon inspires unity through hope; hope that together, society can harness its power to increase the success of diagnosis and treatment of breast cancer worldwide, creating a better future for all.



16.55 - 17.00

CLOSING

- Hanna Birna Kristjánsdóttir, Senior Adviser, Women's Leadership, UN Women; Chair of the Board, Reykjavik Global Forum - Women Leaders
- Silvana Koch-Mehrin, President and Founder, Women Political Leaders