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REYKJAVÍK GLOBAL FORUM – WOMEN LEADERS
'Power, Together for Partnership' Programme 2022
8 - 9 November 2022 (all times in Reykjavík local time)
TUESDAY - NOVEMBER 8

08.00 - 09.00

RISE & PREPARE TO SHINE
Coffee, croissants & conversations
Badge collection

09.00 - 09.20

VELKOMIN TIL ÍSLANDS! POWER TOGETHER FOR PARTNERSHIP

- Silvana Koch-Mehrin, President of Women Political Leaders (WPL), Co-founder of the Reykjavík Global Forum
- Hanna Birna Kristjánsdóttir, Chair of the Board, Co-founder of the Reykjavík Global Forum
- Birgir Ármannsson, Speaker of Alþingi, Iceland
- Bryndís Haraldsdóttir, Member of Alþingi, Iceland
- Jódís Skúladóttir, Member of Alþingi, Iceland
- Helga Vala Helgadóttir, Member of Alþingi, Iceland
- Halldóra Mogensen, Member of Alþingi, Iceland

09.25 - 09.55

THE REYKJAVÍK INDEX: UPDATE

- Lien Ceulemans, Country Leader Belgium and Luxembourg, Salesforce
- Silvana Koch-Mehrin, President of Women Political Leaders (WPL), Co-founder of the Reykjavík Global Forum
- Christy Tanner, Senior Advisor, Reykjavík Global Forum
- Chaired by Michelle Harrison, Global CEO, Kantar Public; Co-chair, Reykjavík Global Forum

First launched in 2018, the Reykjavík Index for Leadership measures popular perceptions on the suitability of women and men for leadership positions. In collaboration with Kantar Public, the Reykjavík Index for Leadership 2022-2023 presents findings drawn from the attitudes across twelve countries: the G7 nations (comprising Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, the United Kingdom and the United States), three ASEAN nations (Indonesia, Malaysia and Singapore), Australia and the host nation of the RGF, Iceland.

10.00 - 10.05

**THE POWER OF...
CLOTHING**

- Steinunn Sigurd, Designer

10.10 - 10.17

A CONVERSATION WITH...

- Irina Bokova, 9th Director General of UNESCO (2009-2017)
- Chaired by Stéphanie Fillion, International Reporter; United Nations



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Correspondent

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STRESS-TEST FOR THE UN

- Aya Chebbi, Founder of Nala Feminist Collective; African Union Special Envoy on Youth (2018-2021)
- Alba Gavaliugov Méndez, President & Founder, Spanish Alliance of Model United Nations
- Chaired by Stéphanie Fillion, International Reporter; United Nations Correspondent

The United Nations as an institution remains a powerful global force for good; it provides crucial food aid in Yemen, healthcare and mine removal in Afghanistan, peacekeeping in Mali and protecting women and girls in Darfur. However, the past few years have also seen a global pandemic accompanied with a series of catastrophes related to climate change, economic recession and deadly wars involving members of the UN Security Council. As the 21st century unfolds and the world continues to grapple with new challenges, what needs to be done to enable the UN to walk its talk?

10.40 - 10.47

A CONVERSATION WITH...

- Lesia Vasylenko, Member of Parliament, Ukraine
- Chaired by Oni Aningo, Director, Global Group Media

10.50 - 11.10

SPOTLIGHT ON UKRAINE

- Şafak Pavey, Senior Adviser, U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees; Member, Grand National Assembly, Turkey (2011-2017)
- Dalia Grybauskaitė, President of Lithuania (2009-2019); Member, The Council of Women World Leaders
- Lesia Vasylenko, Member of Parliament, Ukraine
- Chaired by Oni Aningo, Director, Global Group Media

On 24 February 2022, Russia invaded Ukraine in a major escalation of hostilities which began in 2014. The invasion has resulted in tens of thousands of deaths and caused Europe's largest refugee crisis since World War II, with an estimated 8 million people being displaced within the country by late May as well as 7.7 million Ukrainians fleeing the country as of 18 October 2022. This panel will put a spotlight on just a couple of the many critical issues in Ukraine currently.

20 mins break

11.30 - 12.30

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HOW ICELANDIC FEMALE SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURS ARE CHANGING SOCIETY

In cooperation with Empower & Eyrir Venture Management

Venue: Esja 3, Harpa

- Co-chaired by Pórey Vilhjálmsdóttir Proppé, Co-founder and CEO of Empower
- Co-chaired by Stefanía Guðrún Halldórsdóttir, Managing Director, Eyrir Vöxtur VC fund

DOES YOUR COUNTRY HAVE A DEDICATED WOMEN'S HEALTH POLICY IN PLACE? A DISCUSSION ON WHY IT SHOULD

In cooperation with Hologic

Venue: Esja 4, Harpa

- Amie Batson, Executive Director, WomenLift Health
- Marilou McPhedran, Senator, Senate of Canada
- Halimah Nuhu Sanda, Medical Doctor | Girl-child Education Advocate | Founder ROMZAIB Foundation
- Roisa Kerry, Live Healthy Initiative
- Åse Kristin Ask Bakke, Member of the Norwegian Parliament
- Gabriela Cuevas Barron, Co-chair of the UHC2030 Steering Committee; President of the Inter-Parliamentary Union (2017-2020)
- Gabriela Morawska-Stanecka, Senate of the Republic of Poland
- Laura Gillespie, Senior Director, Global Health Advocacy, Hologic & Fellow, World Economic Forum
- Chaired by Donna Leinwand Leger, President, National Press Foundation

GENDER EQUALITY AT WORK: PRIVATE SECTOR STRATEGIES

In cooperation with United Nations Foundation

Venue: Esja 5, Harpa

- Anouk Heilen, Head of Global Sustainability (Equity and Social Inclusion), Unilever
- Unette Spencer, Chief of Staff to the Vice Chair, Mastercard
- Alise Marshall, Senior Global Lead, Public Affairs, Pinterest
- Tamara Dancheva, Senior International Relations Manager, GSMA
- Stacey Boyd, CEO, Olivela
- Katarina Wallin Bureau, Managing Partner, RISE
- Doug Beal, Partner and Director, Sustainable Financial Institutions, Finance and Investing, Boston Consulting Group
- Charlotte Meyer, UK Government Affairs & Policy, Binance
- Chaired by Michelle Milford Morse, Vice President for Girls and Women Strategy, UN Foundation

12.30 - 13.30

PARTNERING UP LUNCH

Hosted by United Nations Foundation and Pinterest



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13.35 - 13.55

THE PRICE OF EXISTENCE

- Ann Cairns, Executive Vice Chair, MasterCard
- Jackie Chimhanzi, CEO, African Leadership Institute (AFILI); Co-chair Reykjavík Global Forum
- Birna Einarsdóttir, CEO, Íslandsbanki
- Chaired by Douglas Beal, Partner & Director, Sustainable Investing & Social Impact, BCG

The cost of living crisis and the alarming acceleration of energy prices has led to justifiable fears that simply existing may prove too costly for many people. This discussion will aim to discover what tools or methods exist to improve the financial circumstances of individuals or businesses during a cost of living crisis and to discuss the importance of bringing disenfranchised people and businesses around the world into the digital economy.

14.00 - 14.20

LET'S TALK METAVERSE

- Pearly Chen, Vice-President, HTC
- Sue Black, Professor of Computer Science and Technology Evangelist, Durham University
- Ayumi Moore Aoki, Founder & CEO, Women in Tech
- Chaired by Juliane Veits, Managing Director, The Nunatak Group

Are we on the brink of a new digital era, an entirely new way of globally interacting with other people and entities? Before this question can be truly answered, a much broader cross-section of the public needs to understand what the Metaverse actually is and proposes to do. How close are we really to augmenting our capabilities, amplifying our connections and enriching our interactions?

14.25 - 14.32

A CONVERSATION WITH...

- Dani Ayers, International CEO, Me Too Movement
- Chaired by Rick Zednik, Advisor and Secretary of the Board for Women Political Leaders

14.35 - 14.55

MENTORING IS NICE, SPONSORING IS BETTER

- Juliane Hilf, Partner, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer
- Unette Spencer, Chief of Staff to Mastercard's Vice Chair, Mastercard
- Rana Abdelhamid, Founder & President, Malukah; Mentee, Running Start
- Chaired by Dominik Weh, Partner & Co-Head Public Sector & Policy, Europe, Oliver Wyman

Mentoring has become big business, whether it is an internal scheme or externally sourced, but without appropriate processes it is hard to gauge their



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effectiveness. This panel will discuss the benefits and pitfalls of mentoring programmes, the relationship between mentorship and sponsorship and how we can make sure mentoring works for all.

15.00 - 15.20

REIMAGINING MONEY

- Joanne Kubba, Vice President, Public Affairs, Binance
- Daniela Schackis, Deputy Director General, SSM Governance & Operations, European Central Bank
- Vera Futorjanski, CEO & Founder, Veritas Ventures
- Chaired by Jennifer Blanke, Non-Executive Director, African Risk Capacity Ltd.

Just as electronic trading and digital banking revolutionised the global financial system some 35 years ago, blockchain technology and cryptocurrencies are set to revolutionise it once again. These innovations are purportedly on the mission to democratise money. Though it seems like a promising opportunity, it's essential to unpack the implications of this new technology and understand how we as a society are ready for this change.

15.20 - 15.50

ENERGY BOOSTING BREAK

15.55 - 16.00

THE POWER OF... ACTION

- Kehkashan Basu, UN Human Rights Champion; Founder & President, Green Hope Foundation (at COP27)

16.05 - 16.25

THE NEW AGE OF GEOPOLITICS

- Ingrid Leary, Member of Parliament, New Zealand; WPL Country Ambassador
- Ulrik Vestergaard Knudsen, Deputy Secretary-General, OECD
- Jane Sargus, Executive Director, Congressional Office for International Leadership
- Chaired by Lara Jakes, Foreign Correspondent, New York Times

There can be no doubt that 2022 has been a tumultuous year for those responsible for thinking about global geopolitical questions and much more so for those directly affected by the consequences. This panel will look to discuss the nature and severity of these changes, to evaluate the response and obligations of governments and business.

16.30 - 16.35

THE POWER OF... DESIGN

- Mae-ling Lokko, Architectural scientist & designer; Assistant Professor, The Yale School of Architecture



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THE MODERN CITY

- Dagur B. Eggertsson, Mayor of Reykjavík, Iceland
- Yvonne Aki-Sawyerr, Mayor of Freetown, Sierra Leone
- Chaired by Shontiece Epps, Legal Professional, Office of the DeKalb County Solicitor General; Running Start Mentee

Women experience cities differently from men; when navigating public spaces and choosing where to live and work, women will often make decisions based on perceptions of safety. This panel will discuss the various visions of a safe and progressive city and ask if there are compromises that need to be made in terms of sustainability to ensure the safety of all.

17.00 - 17.05

THE POWER OF... SPORTS

- Erika Morri, Founder of Wo*men’s Rugby Land of Freedom

17.10 - 17.17

SPOTLIGHT: CREATIVITY FOR EQUALITY

- Jane Geraghty, Global CEO, Landor&Fitch

17.20 - 17.25

THE POWER OF... POETRY

- Apiorkor Seyiram Ashong-Abbey, Poet

17.25 - 17.30

CLOSING REMARKS: DAY ONE

- Silvana Koch-Mehrin, President of Women Political Leaders (WPL), Co-founder of the Reykjavik Global Forum
- Hanna Birna Kristjánsdóttir, Chair of the Board, Co-founder of the Reykjavik Global Forum

17.30 - 18.30

POWER, TOGETHER RECEPTION IN HARPA



WEDNESDAY - NOVEMBER 9

08.00 - 9.00

*Reykjavik Global Community brainstorming session hosted by the Difference
By Invitation only*

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A CONVERSATION WITH...

- Þórdís Kolbrún Reykfjörð Gylfadóttir, Minister for Foreign Affairs, Iceland
- Chaired by Christy Tanner, Senior Advisor, Reykjavík Global Forum

09.10 - 09.35

WHAT IF WE MAKE CLIMATE ACTION WORK?

- Christina Lowery, CEO, Girl Rising
- Hafsat Abiola, President, Women in Africa (WIA); Co-Lead, Connected Women Leaders (CWL)
- Guðmundur Hafsteinsson, Chairman, Icelandair
- Samuelu Penitala Teo, President of the Parliament, Tuvalu
- Chaired by Shania Hurtado, Gender Equality Activist; Running Start Mentee

The science is now beyond discussion and more accepted than ever before: we need to now focus on solutions. There are a number of solutions which are well known by governments, corporations, institutions and the public alike which are waiting to be implemented; which are the most feasible, immediate and consequential actions that can tackle climate change and its numerous causes?

09.45 – 10.05

IT'S THE PATRIARCHY, STUPID!

- Bergur Ebby, Writer and Speaker
- Oley Dibba-Wadda, President and CEO, Gam Africa Institute for Leadership (GAIL)
- Michelle Milford Morse, Vice President for Girls and Women Strategy, UN Foundation
- Chaired by Anino Emuwa, Founder & Managing Director, Avandis Consulting

Despite decades of struggle to rid the world of the oppressive patriarchal structures, the data is clearly showing that we are in the middle of a roll-back and there are also worrying signs for future progress in terms of young people. If some alarming trends continue, the next generation of women may have even fewer rights than women today; a call to action against the growing roll-back of women's rights around the world is needed.

10.10 – 10.25

WHEN WALKING ON ICE, WE MIGHT AS WELL DANCE

- Elisso Bolkvadze, MP, Chair of the Parliamentary Commission for Culture; Pianist; UNESCO Ambassador for Peace
- Steiney Skúladóttir, Reykjavíkurdætur
- Chaired by Elise Hufano, Partner, theDifference

There is a strong impression that this is a groundbreaking period in musical creativity. Many young artists feel completely unrestricted in terms of the multitude of creative directions that they can take and that there seems to be fewer restrictions on female artists today. This panel will draw upon the personal and professional experiences and thoughts of two artists who come from very



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different musical and geographical backgrounds.

10.30 - 10.50

WOMEN, WAR AND PEACE

- Margarita Robles Fernández, Minister of Defence of Spain
- Ingibjörg Sólrún Gísladóttir, Director, Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (2017-2020), OSCE; Minister of Foreign Affairs of Iceland (2007-2009)
- Filsan Abdullahi Ahmed; Founder & Managing Director, Horn Peace Institute; Minister of Women, Children & Youth (2020-2022), Ethiopia; Founder Nabad Television & Nabad Project
- Katrina Fotovat, Senior Official, Secretary's Office of Global Women's Issues, U.S. Department of State
- Chaired by Laura Liswood, Secretary General, Council of Women World Leaders

There are currently multiple conflict zones where the safety of women is in severe jeopardy, most notably Ukraine, Yemen and Ethiopia and which will likely see women excluded from any future peace talks: women are significantly underrepresented at every stage of the negotiation process. This is despite the fact that women are critical to achieving sustainable peace, as demonstrated in Northern Ireland, Liberia, Colombia, and other places of conflict around the world.

11.00 - 11.20

THE IMPORTANCE OF WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP:

A CONVERSATION WITH THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF UN WOMEN AND THE PRIME MINISTER OF ICELAND

- Katrín Jakobsdóttir, Prime Minister, Iceland; Chair, Council of Women World Leaders
- Sima Sami Bahous, Executive Director, UN Women
- Chaired by Hanna Birna Kristjánsdóttir, Chair of the Board, Co-founder of the Reykjavík Global Forum

15 mins break

11.30 - 12.30

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HOW WOMEN LEADERS ACROSS MULTIPLE SECTORS ARE CHANGING IMMUNISATION TO DELIVER SUSTAINABLE PUBLIC HEALTH IMPACT

In cooperation with MSD

Venue: Esja 3, Harpa

- Amie Batson, Executive Director, WomenLift Health
- Dr Phillipa Whitford, Scottish National Partner, Politician
- Shereen Bhan, North America Region & Global Leadership Development



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Director, WomenLift Health

- Denderah Rickmers, Europe Manager, AVPN
- Chaired by Agata Jakoncic, Managing Director MSD Greece, Cyprus & Malta

WHO'S THE LEADER? CHANGING SOCIETY'S EXPECTATIONS ABOUT GENDER ROLES TO EMPOWER WOMEN

In cooperation with OECD Development Centre

Venue: Esja 4, Harpa

- Espérance Nyirasafari, Vice President of the Senate, Rwanda
- Aya Chebbi, Founder, Nala Feminist Collective; African Union Special Envoy on Youth (2018-2021)
- Geir H. Haarde, Prime Minister of Iceland (2006 - 2009)
- Chaired by Ragnheiður Elín Árnadóttir, Director, OECD Development Centre

CHAMPIONING GENDER EQUALITY AND HEALTH FOR ALL

In cooperation with UHC2030

Venue: Esja 5, Harpa

- Ayumi Moore Aoki, Founder and CEO, Women in Tech®
- Hanna Katrín Friðriksson, Member of Parliament, Iceland
- Marie-Louise Coleiro Preca, President of Malta (2014 - 2019)
- Chaired by Gabriela Cuevas Barron, UHC2030 Co-chair & honorary President of the Inter-Parliamentary Union

11.30 - 12.45

VOICES OF PARLIAMENTS

Closed door, by invite only

- Co-chaired by Birgir Ármannsson, Speaker of Althingi, the Parliament of Iceland
- Co-chaired by Şafak Pavay, Senior Advisor, U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees; Member, Grand National Assembly, Turkey (2011-2017)

Members of Parliaments meet in a private session to discuss the issue of 'Women, Peace and Security' and how to ensure women leaders are an integral part of the global security agenda.

12.00 - 13.00

COUNCIL OF WOMEN WORLD LEADERS

Closed door, by invite only

12.30 - 13.30

CONVERSATIONIST LUNCH

Hosted by Estée Lauder

13.30 - 13.50

MILLIONS MOVING BILLIONS

- Denderah Rickmers, Europe Manager, AVPN
- Kimberly Gire, Founder, Global Women Leaders Strategic Philanthropy; Chair, Centre for Global Equality



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- Shelly Porges, Co-Founder and Managing Partner, Beyond the Billion (launched as The Billion Dollar Fund for Women)
- Chaired by Francesca Donner, Editor, Women & Gender

Data on private philanthropy for development shows that in 2017, 15% of philanthropic funding from 26 of the largest foundations worldwide had the objective of supporting gender equality and women's empowerment. Foundations working on gender are increasingly exploring new solutions and financial tools and providing longer term and non-financial support.

13.55 - 14.15

PANDEMICS - THE GREAT LEVELLER?

- Gabriela Cuevas Barron, Co-chair of the UHC2030 Steering Committee; President, Inter-Parliamentary Union (2017-2020)
- Agata Jakoncic, Managing Director, MSD Greece, Cyprus & Malta
- Amie Batson, Executive Director, WomenLift Health
- Chaired by Natasha Dupee, Commissioner, DC Advisory Neighbourhood Commission; Running Start Mentee

The fault lines of gender, access and societal inequity affects outcomes. This panel aims to discuss in what ways specifically are women and girls hit harder by pandemics than men and boys, how would universal health coverage preemptively mitigate the effects and whether better vaccine coverage, in terms of flu vaccines or other common preventative vaccines, have left a more prepared healthcare ecosystem for a pandemic?

14.20 - 14.25

KEYNOTE

- Sviatlana Tsikhanouskaya, National Leader of Belarus and Head of the United Transitional Cabinet

14.30 - 14.50

UNSEEN STRUGGLES

- Zahra Joya, Founder, Rukhshana Media; Journalist
- Sara Beysolow Nyanti, Deputy Special Representative of the Secretary General, Resident Coordinator & Humanitarian Coordinator, South Sudan
- Chaired by Floor Keuleers, Senior Analyst, Gender and Conflict, International Crisis Group

This session wants to shine a light on conflicts which are not dominating global headlines, where untold suffering is taking place and where there are often multiple competing international interests involved which further hinder the reporting of these conflicts. The aim is to learn the situation of women and girls who are living in these contexts and what can global leaders do to tangibly help those in the respective conflicts.

14.55 - 15.00

KEYNOTE

- Bidhya Devi Bhandari, President of Nepal



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THE POWER OF... OXYGEN

- Tamara Lunger, Mountaineer, Adventurer, Speaker, Writer

15.10 - 15.30

ENERGY BOOSTING BREAK

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MIND THE GAP, CLOSE THE GAP!

- Patricia Mota, President & CEO, Hispanic Alliance for Career Enhancement & Co-Founder, SHENIX
- Henrike von Platen, CEO & Founder, Fair Pay Innovation Lab gGmbH
- Ragnheiður Elín Árnadóttir, Director, OECD Development Centre; Member of Alþingi (2007-2016), Minister of Industry & Commerce (2013-2017), Iceland
- Chaired by Anouk Heilen, Head of Global Sustainability, Equity and Social Inclusion, Unilever

Equal Pay remains a global issue, one which exists in every country in the world even if laws are in place to prevent this. Furthermore, the concept of 'equal pay for equal work' is not one which is protected by law everywhere and other restrictions exist which prevent women from having equal pay to their male counterparts. Why does this gap remain and how can it be closed, for all women?

16.00 - 16.15

FIRESIDE CHAT

- Laura Gillespie, Senior Director, Global Health Advocacy & Fellow, World Economic Forum
- Toyin Saraki, Founder-President, Wellbeing Foundation Africa
- Chaired by Oana-Silvia Țoiu, Member of the Chamber of Deputies of Romania

16.20 - 16.25

POWER OF... CARE

- Sophia Swire, Founder and CEO of GEDI; Founder of Future Brilliance

16.30 - 17.10

WPL TRAILBLAZER AWARDS and POWER TOGETHER AWARDS

- Silvana Koch-Mehrin, President of Women Political Leaders (WPL), Co-founder of the Reykjavik Global Forum
- Hanna Birna Kristjánsdóttir, Chair of the Board, Co-founder of the Reykjavik Global Forum

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