

ON THE ENVIRONMENT

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Welcome by Sister **Patricia Murray**, Executive Secretary – UISG

9.30 - 11.15 INTEGRATING RESPONSES TO CLIMATE CHANGE AND BIODIVERSITY LOSS

H.E. **Alexandra Valkenburg**, Ambassador and Head of Delegation, Delegation of the European Union to the Holy See

Ms **Arrou Armelle**, Head of Department, UNESCO Green Citizens

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Dr **Lorna Gold**, Director of Movement Building, FaithInvest

Dr **Simona Rossetti**, Director, Water Research Institute IRSA, CNR

Mr **Giuseppe Onufrio**, Executive Director, Greenpeace Italy

Question for debate

Climate and biodiversity: what successful initiatives could be replicated to address climate change and loss of biodiversity with an integrated vision to protect environments and ecosystems?



11.15 - 11.30 COFFEE BREAK

11.30 - 13.15 INTEGRATING CARE FOR PEOPLE AND OUR PLANET

Prof **Azza Karam**, Secretary General, Religions for Peace

Prof **Fabio Petito**, University of Sussex & ISPI Head of Religions and International Relations

Sister **Rose Uchem**, Missionary Sisters of the Holy Rosary

Prof **Josep Vila-Subirós**, Scientific Director, Hub of Cultural & Natural Heritage, University of Girona

Dr **Azmaira Alibhai**, Faith & Ecosystems Coordinator, Faith for Earth Initiative, UNEP Kenya

Question for debate

At the national and international level, women religious are uniquely placed to advocate for and with the communities they serve: how can Catholic Sisters be supported to bring local voices into global conversations and ensure that global commitments are implemented locally?



13.15 - 15.00 LUNCH

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15.00 - 16.45 INTEGRATING VULNERABILITY IN LEADERSHIP AND DECISION-MAKING

Sister **Laura Vicuña Manso**, Franciscan Catechist Sisters
Sister **Jyotisha Kannamkal**, Sisters of Notre Dame
Prof **Adil Salhi**, Coordinator, UNIMED Subnetwork on Climate and Environmental Change, Abdelmalek Essaâdi University
Ms **Nicky Broeckhoven**, Systemic Change & Gender Equality Officer, CIDSE
H.E. **Chiara Porro**, Ambassador, Australian Embassy to the Holy See

Questions for debate

- Integrating vulnerable people as key players within institutional frameworks requires an acknowledgement of vulnerability as a core value of responsible leadership: what mechanisms exist and could be strengthened to ensure that voices from the margins are featured centrally in the global development dialogue?
- Increasing the visibility of marginalised communities in public discourse entails creating the necessary platforms and stimulating public interest: what could increase global media interest in local development challenges? What could be the message for a joint online campaign?



16.45 - 17.00 COFFEE BREAK

17.00 - 18.00 JOURNEYING TOGETHER TOWARDS THE UISG ADVOCACY FORUM 2023

Mr **Achim Schkade**, Minister, Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany to the Holy See
Dr **Maria Dolores Sanchez Galera**, Head of Research & Reflection, Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development, Vatican
Mr **Zitouni Ould-Dada**, Deputy Director, Office of Climate Change, Biodiversity & Environment, FAO
Mr **Andrea Benzo**, Special Envoy for Freedom of Religion and Interreligious Dialogue, Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Dr **Lucia Sorrentino**, Member Organisations Coordinator, Laudato Si' Movement

Question for debate

UISG's Sister-led dialogues are intended as the basis of a sustainable platform for collaboration, in line with SDG17 Partnerships for the goals: what is needed to facilitate a regular exchange of information and mutual support among the actors around the table? What should be the main issues addressed by the UISG Advocacy Forum 2023, in relation to the environment?



20.00 DINNER

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