

EDUCATION TRANSFORMATION IS AT THE HEART OF CLIMATE ACTION

SUMMIT PROGRAMME

RewirEd Summit @COP28
8 December 2023
Expo City Dubai



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09:00 - 09:45 REGISTRATION

09:45 - 10:55 OPENING

11:00 - 11:45 BREAKOUT SESSIONS (A)

» The Green Rising: Powering Youth Action & Solutions for Climate

Moderator:

Nour Elnabawy, Actor & UNICEF Shabab Balad Ambassador

Speakers:

Hon. Ababu Namwamba, Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Kenya

Hon. Shri Bhupender Yadav, Minister of Labour & Employment, Environment, Forest & Climate Change, India

Amal Ridene, YPAT Member & Youth Negotiator, Generation Unlimited

Ahmed Alhendawi, Secretary General, Chief Executive Officer, World Organization of the Scout Movement

Shobha Meera, Chief Corporate Responsibility Officer, CapGemini

Alexandra van der Ploeg, Head of Corporate Social Responsibility, SAP

Closing Remarks:

Kitty van der Heijden, Deputy Executive Director, Partnerships, UNICEF

» Unlocking Innovative Financing for Climate-Resilient Education in Emergencies

Moderator:

Yasmine Sherif, Executive Director, Education Cannot Wait

Speakers:

Hon. Awut Deng Achuil, Minister of General Education & Instruction, South Sudan

Ole Thonke, Undersecretary for Development Policy, Government of Denmark

Amy Clarke, Chief Impact Officer, Tribe Impact Capital (Video Remarks)

Aya Mohamad El Hawarneh, Youth Advocate & Project Co-ordinator, ANERA

» Teachers for the Planet: Leadership for Climate Action in & through Education

Moderator:

Lennart Kuntze, Global Head of Climate Education & Leadership, Teach For All

Speakers:

Hon. Prof. Adolf Faustine Mkenda, Minister of Education, Tanzania

Hon. H.E. João Marques da Costa, Minister of Education, Portugal

Wendy Kopp, Chief Executive Officer, Teach For All

Esther Gacigi, Teacher (Primary School), Teach For Kenya

Nikhil Sharma, Founder, Elementree Foundation India

Nick McKinlay, Director of Global Programmes, Aga Khan Foundation

Ryan Bestre, Teach for the Philippines Alumnus, Climate Change Officer, Asian Development Bank

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» **The Role of Education in Building Climate-Resilient Development in the 21st Century**

Speakers:

H.E. Rachel Ruto, First Lady of Kenya

Prof. Dr. Patrick Verkooijen, Chief Executive Officer, Global Center on Adaptation

H.E. Dr. Tariq Al Gurg, Chief Executive Officer, Dubai Cares

Maja Groff, Convener, Climate Governance Commission

Tan Sri Zakri bin Abdul Hamid, Founding Director, International Institute for Science Diplomacy & Sustainability

Jeannette Larue, Director General Public Education & Community Outreach Division Ministry of Agriculture, Climate Change & Environment

» **Metrics That Matter: Utilizing Data for Effective Climate Education**

Moderator:

Abdul Matheen Yusuf, CEO, Project You

Speakers:

Dr. Randa Grob-Zakhary, Chief Executive Officer, Education.org

Sallyann Della Casa, Chief Executive Officer & Chief Identity Hacker, GLEAC

Martin Benavides, Executive Director, UNESCO IIEP

David Hollow, Director, Jigsaw Education

Kamran Robert Kardan, Founder & CEO, Knowledge E

12:00 - 12:45 BREAKOUT SESSIONS (B)

» **Growing Green Champions: Building the Foundations of Climate Action by Investing in Children**

Moderator:

Elizabeth Lule, Executive Director, ECDAN

Keynote:

Kitty van der Heijden, Deputy Executive Director, Partnerships, UNICEF

H.E. Dr. Tariq Al Gurg, Chief Executive Officer, Dubai Cares (Opening Remarks)

Speakers:

Hon. Madalitso Wirima Kambauwa, Minister of Education, Republic of Malawi

H.E. Dogdurkul Kendirbaeva, Minister of Education & Science, Kyrgyz Republic

Gillian Caldwell, Chief Climate Officer & Deputy Assistant Administrator, USAID

Rebecca Chandler Leege, Chief Executive Officer, World Reader

Francisco Vera, Youth Advocate, UNICEF

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» **Green Jobs: Paving the Way for a Sustainable Future**

Moderator:

Monika Froehler, Chief Executive Officer, Ban Ki-moon Centre for Global Citizens

Keynote:

Ban Ki-moon, 8th UNSG & Co-chair, Ban Ki-moon Centre for Global Citizens (Video Statement)

Irina Bokova, Former Director-General, UNESCO

Speakers:

H.E. Maria Susana Muhamad Gonzalez, Minister of Environment, Colombia

Sharon Armstrong, Director-General of Social Development, Global Affairs, Canada

Kathleen Sherwin, Chief Strategy & Engagement Officer, Plan International

Lateefa Alnoaimi, Sustainable & Renewable Energy Engineer, YOUNGO's Green Jobs Working Group

Closing Remarks:

H.E. Dr. Tariq Al Gurg, Chief Executive Officer, Dubai Cares

» **Moving from Ideas to Action: Localized Levers to Support Youth Education & Employment in the Green Economy**

Moderator:

Dr. Liesbet Steer, President & Chief Executive Officer, Education Development Centre

Speakers:

H.E. Jeanne d'Arc Mujawamariya, Minister of Environment, Rwanda

Jennifer Morris, Chief Executive Officer, The Nature Conservancy

Dr. Hanan Morsy, Deputy Executive Secretary & Chief Economist, United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA)

Dr. Nada Berrada, African Union Youth Leader & RegenIntel Fellow

» **Innovative Education Models for Green Skilling in Emergency Contexts**

Moderator:

Derek Madsen, Chief Development Officer, ANERA

Keynote:

Sean Carrol, President & Chief Executive Officer, ANERA

Speakers:

Julia Dicum, Director of Education, UNRWA

Susan Nicolai, Global Director of Education, Save the Children

Mageed Yahia, Country Director UAE & Representative to GCC, UN World Food Programme

Aya Mohamad El Hawarneh, Youth Advocate & Project Coordinator, ANERA

Ayeda Mohammad Ghnaim, Youth Advocate, Egypt

Qamar Samir Karameh, Youth Advocate, Lebanon

Dana Musaffar, Youth Advocate, Palestine

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» **Connecting the Dots: Youth-led Initiatives in Rewiring Education for Climate Action**

Moderator:

Bishop Marcelo Sánchez Sorondo, Pontifical Academy of the Social Sciences, The Vatican

Keynote:

Prof. Jeffrey Sachs, Director, Center for Sustainable Development, Columbia University

Speakers:

H.E. Jurrrian Middlehoff, Ambassador of Youth, Education & Skills, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Netherlands

Rev. Canon. Dr. Betsee Parker, Baroness of Locheil, Scotland

Dr. Wen-Wen Tung, Associate Professor & Director of Geodata Science for Professionals MS Program, Purdue University

Maryam Rabiee, Head of SDGs Today at UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network (UNSDSN)

Vidya Bindal, 11th Grade High-School Student

Eshaan Gangwal, 11th Grade High-School Student

12:45 - 13:15 LUNCH BREAK

13:15 - 14:00 BREAKOUT SESSIONS (C)

» **Transforming Climate Education for Justice, Equity, Diversity & Inclusion**

Moderator:

Armand Arton, Chief Global Citizen & Founder, Arton Capital

Speakers:

Hon. Philip J. Pierre, Prime Minister, St. Lucia

H.E. Juan Carlos Mathews Salazar, Minister of Foreign Trade & Tourism, Peru

Joice Mendez, UNSG Youth Climate Change Advisor & Co-founder, Latin American Observatory of Geopolitics of Energy

Yusra Mardini, Goodwill Ambassador, UNHCR

» **Funding the Future: Financing Models for Climate-Smart Education**

Moderator:

Zahara Malik, Founder, Impact Gate

Speakers:

H.E. Cheikh Oumar Anne, Minister of National Education, Senegal

H.E. Dr. Tariq Al Gurg, Chief Executive Officer, Dubai Cares

Rachael Barza, Climate Adaptation & Nature Finance Lead, European Bank for Reconstruction & Development (EBRD)

Amel Karboul, Chief Executive Officer, Education Outcomes Fund

Richard Hawkes, Chief Executive Officer, British Asian Trust

Véronique Faujour, Managing Director, Grameen Crédit Agricole Foundation

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» Placing Gender Equality & Youth at The Heart of Education Transformation for Climate

Moderator:

Kathleen Sherwin, Chief of Strategy & Engagement Officer, Plan International

Speakers:

Hon. Madalitso Wirima Kambauwa, Minister of Education, Republic of Malawi

Dr. Heike Kuhn, Head of Division, Education, Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation & Development of Germany

Yasmine Sherif, Executive Director, Education Cannot Wait

Salha Aziz, Youth Leader, GPE, Tanzania

Nelly Beatriz Yaguachi Caiz, Indigenous Youth Leader, Ecuador

Renata Koch Alvarenga, Founder & Director, EmpoderaClima, Brazil

» Accelerating Climate Action: The Transformative Power of Rewired Education

Moderator:

Anna Murru, Strategic Partnership Advisor, VVOB - Education for Development

Speakers:

Hon. Prof. Adolf Mkenda, Minister of Education, The United Republic of Tanzania

Hon. Eng. Collins Nzovu, Minister of Green Economy, Republic of Zambia

Koen Timmers, Director, Take Action Global

Peace Monica Pimer, Founder & Executive Director, Nile Girls Forum, Uganda

» What Works to Build More Inclusive & Climate-Resilient National Systems?

Moderator:

Dr. Ola Abualghaib, Manager, United Nations Partnership on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UNPRPD)

Speakers:

Kerstin Stendahl, Special Envoy for Climate Change & the Environment, Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland

Dr. Heike Kuhn, Head of Division, Education, Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation & Development of Germany

Gabriela Ramos, Assistant Director-General for the Social & Human Sciences, UNESCO

Tala Al Ramahi, Director, Reaching The Last Mile

Rwodah Al Naimi, Director of Strategic Partnerships, Qatar Fund for Development

Stefan Tromel, Senior Disability Specialist, International Labour Organization

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14:15 - 15:00 BREAKOUT SESSIONS (D)

» Financing Climate Resilient School Systems

Speakers:

Hon. Josephine Napwon Cosmos, Minister of Environment & Forestry, South Sudan

Hon. Lord Tu'l'afitu, Minister of Lands & Natural Resources, Tonga

Hon. Eang Sophalleth, Minister of Environment, Cambodia

Hon. Didacus Jules, Director General, Organization of Eastern Caribbean States

Charles North, Deputy Chief Executive Officer, GPE

Mafalda Duarte, Executive Director, Green Climate Fund

Nick Ireland, Climate Change Director, Save The Children

» Roots of Resilience: The ECD Imperative in a Climate-changing World

Moderator:

Dr. Ghassan Issa, Director, Arab Network for Early Childhood Development

Speakers:

H.E. Dubravka Šuica, Vice President, European Commission

Dr. Erum Mariam, Executive Director, BRAC Institute of Educational Development

Nafisa Shekofa, Global Lead on Education & Early Childhood Development, Aga Khan Foundation

Emma Gremley, Senior Director of Education, International Rescue Committee

Dr. Kim Foulds, Vice President of Content Research & Evaluation, Sesame Workshop

Liana Ghent, Executive Director, International Step by Step Association

» ClimateEd: Education for Climate Action

Moderator:

Dr. Luis Benveniste, Global Director for Education, World Bank

Speakers:

H.E. Conrad Sackey, Minister of Basic & Senior Secondary Education for Sierra Leone

H.E. David Sengeh, Chief Minister, Sierra Leone

Temilade Salami, Youth Climate Activist

Ferdinando Regalia, Social Sector Manager, Inter-American Development Bank (IDB)

» Partnerships for Responsible Education

Co-Moderators:

Ahmed Alhendawi, Secretary General, Chief Executive Officer, World Organization of the Scout Movement

Wissam Kadi, Global Initiatives Director, SAP

Speakers:

H.H. Princess Sama Bint Faisal Al Saud, Board Member, World Scout Foundation

Hon. H.E. João Marques da Costa, Minister for Education, Portugal

Dr. Karina Edmonds, Senior Vice President, SAP

Dr. Eesa Bastaki, President, University of Dubai

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» **Education as a Catalyst for People & Planet: Rewiring Our Common Agenda**

Co-Moderators:

Kehkashan Basu, Founder-President, Green Hope Foundation

Priya Joshi, Senior Project Officer (Research), Global Education Monitoring Report

Speakers:

Stefania Giannini, Assistant Director-General for Education, UNESCO

Prof. Jeffery Sachs, Director, Center for Sustainable Development, Columbia University

Kathleen Rogers, President, Earthday.org

15:15 - 16:00 BREAKOUT SESSIONS (E)

» **Scalable Solutions for Global Problems: Lessons from the Private Sector to Accelerate Climate Gains**

Moderator:

Jerome de Bontin, Partner, Capricorn Investment Group

Speakers:

H.E. Khaled Al Huraimel, Group Chief Executive Officer, BEEAH Group

Dipender Saluja, Partner, Capricorn Investment Group

Hande Sadic, Chief Product Officer, The Giving Movement

Jacob Harr, Chief Executive Officer & Founder, Community Investment Management (CIM)

Hamoon Ekhtiari, Chief Executive Officer, FutureFit AI

Michel Peretie, Former Chairman of Bear Stearns, Former Head of Investment Bank of Soc Gen, Founder & Chief Executive Officer, Riverrock

» **Towards Climate-Smart Education Systems**

Moderator:

Salha Aziz, Youth Leader, GPE, Tanzania

Speakers:

Hon. Madalitso Wirima Kambauwa, Minister of Education, Republic of Malawi

Hon. Dr. Torerayi Moyo, Minister of Education, Zimbabwe

Susan Nicolai, Global Education Director, Save the Children

Sarah Beardmore, Climate Initiatives Lead, GPE

Jun Morohashi, Chief of Section of Education for Sustainable Development, UNESCO

» **Transitioning Skills: Education for a Sustainable Energy Future**

Moderator:

Samah Elsayed, Programme Officer of Renewable Energy Education, IRENA

Speakers:

Gauri Singh, Deputy Director-General, IRENA

Bruce Douglas, Chief Executive Officer, Global Renewables Alliance

Nicole Iseppi, Director of Energy Innovation, Bezos Earth Fund

Izael Da Silva, Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Research & Innovation, Strathmore University, Chairholder, UNESCO Chair on Climate Change Resilience & Sustainability

Prof. John Thwaites, Chair, Monash Sustainable Development Institute

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» **Driving Systemic Climate Change: The Role of Ministries of Education in Latin America**

Speakers:

H.E. Miguel Sedoff, Minister of Education, Science & Technology, Misiones Province, Argentina

H.E. Martin Muller, Minister of Education, Entre Rios, Argentina

Agustín Porres, Regional Director, Varkey Foundation.

Alberto de Cardenas, Chief Executive Officer, PeruChamps

Sister Zeph, Winner of Global Teacher Prize 2023

Francisco Anello, Global Senior Vice President of Education, Aleph Holding

» **Youth Raising Ambition For Quality Climate Education**

Moderator:

Shreya KC, Campaign Coordinator for Asia, Mock Education Ministers Summit & YOUNGO Representative

Speakers:

Baroness Barran, Parliamentary Undersecretary of State at the Department for Education, United Kingdom

Will Wale, Youth Focal Point for Sustainability & Climate Change for the Department for Education, United Kingdom

Ana Romero, Educator & Senior Advisor for UN's Capacity-Building & for Action for Climate Empowerment (ACE), Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Mexico

Darien Castro, Mock Education Ministers Summit Delegate for Ecuador, Mock COP

Kuljit S. Ghata-Aura, President of Middle East, Türkiye & Africa, Boeing

Sara El Dallal, Country Director, Amideast UA

16:15 - 17:00 BREAKOUT SESSIONS (F)

» **African Union Year of Education, 2024: Catalyzing Skills Potential for a Green Economy in Africa**

Moderator:

Erna Grasz, Chief Executive Officer, Asante Africa

Speakers:

Hon. Pohamba Penomwenyo Shifeta, Minister of Environment, Republic of Namibia

Hon. Nqobizitha Mangaliso Ndlovu, Minister of Environment, Water & Climate, Republic of Zimbabwe

H.E Prof. Mohammed Belhocine, Commissioner for Education, Science, Technology & Innovation, African Union Commission

Jesper Wohlert, Director, HUMANA People to People

» **School Meals & Food Systems: Rethinking the Consequences for Climate, Environment, Biodiversity & Food Sovereignty**

Moderator:

Prof. Donald Bundy, Director, Research Consortium for School Health & Nutrition

Speakers:

H.E. Gaspard Twagirayezu, Minister of Primary & Secondary Education, Rwanda

Carmen Burbano, Director, School-Based Programmes, UN World Food Programme

Silvia Pastorino, Research Fellow, Sustainability, Nutrition & Health, London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine

H.E. Conrad Sackey, Minister of Basic & Senior Secondary Education for Sierra Leone

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» **Empowering Refugee Education for Climate Resilience**

Moderator:

Rebecca Granato, Associate Vice President for Global Initiatives, Bard College & Open Society University Networks

Speakers:

Raakhi Williams, Chief of Strategy, Planning & Accountability, Education Cannot Wait

Ibrahim Al Safadi, Chief Executive Officer, Luminus Life Plus

Sonia Ben Jafar, Chief Executive Officer, Abdulla Al Ghurair Foundation for Education

Deline Yihumutima Ramiro, Youth Delegate, UNHCR

» **Building Resilience for Education in the Face of Climate Change Utilizing Technology**

Moderator:

Anna-Maria Tammi, Thematic Lead for Education in Crisis & Conflict, GPE

Speakers:

Hon. Madalitso Wirima Kambauwa, Minister of Education, Republic of Malawi

Majid Al Zein, Head Of Business & Strategy for MENA, Microsoft

Robert Jenkins, UNICEF Director Education & Adolescent Development, UNICEF

Valentine Chepkoech, Youth leader, Kenya

» **Youth Igniting Action: Cross-Industry Solutions for Climate & Nature**

Moderator:

Dana Hasan AlHosani, Strategy & Partner Relations Assistant Director, NYUAD

Speakers:

H.E. Ahmed Abdulmuttaleb Baharoon, Executive Director of Environment Information, Science & Outreach Management, Environment Agency Abu Dhabi (EAD)

Ayla Bajwa, Senior Vice President Sustainability, DP World

Laila Abdullatif, Director-General, Emirates Nature World Wide Fund for Nature (EN-WWF)

Jennifer Chammas, Regional Head of Sustainability & Sustainable Finance, CMB MENAT, HSBC

Rohan Gupta, Group Manager, Sustainability Intelligence, DP World

17:15 - 18:00 BREAKOUT SESSIONS (G)

» **Cultivating Wellness: School Health & Nutrition for a Sustainable Future**

Moderator:

Dr. Shariha Khalid, Founding Partner, Mission & Co.

Speakers:

Wawira Njiru, Chief Executive Officer, Food 4 Education

Caitlin Baron, Chief Executive Officer, Luminos Fund

Jim Emerson, Chief Executive Officer, The Power of Nutrition

Ndellejong Cosmas Ejong, Global Technical Lead Schistosomiasis & Soil Transmitted Helminthiasis

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» **Synergizing Sustainability: The Transformative Power of Integrating Climate Education with Life Skills**

Proposed Moderator:

Nicholas Kee, JA Company Program Alumni, Entrepreneur, Founder of KeeFarms

Speakers:

Kevin Frey, Chief Executive Officer, Generation Unlimited

Akef Agrabawi, Chief Executive Officer, INJAZ Al Arab

Don Sedlock, Director, Global Development, JA Worldwide

Taha Bawa, Co-Founder, Goodwall

Love Dager, JA Alumni, Hackathon Manager, Hack for Earth

Viktor Hediger, Senior Partners, McKinsey & Company

Omar Khan, Head of Centre for Business Studies & Research, Dubai Chamber

Gilles Vermot-Desroches, SVP Corporate Citizenship & Institutions, Schneider Electric

» **From Activism to Action: Closing the Skills Gap**

Moderator:

Prince Gideon Olanrewaju, Chief Executive Director, Aid for Rural Education Access Initiative (AREAi)

Speakers:

Nichole Cirillo, Executive Director, IAVE

Justina Nixon-Saintil, Vice President & Chief Impact Officer, IBM

Sharon Armstrong, Director General of Social Development, Global Affairs Canada

Kumar Verma, Managing Director, Scholars International Group (SIG)

Alison Bellwood, Founder & Executive Director, The World's Largest Lesson & Project Everyone

» **Future-Ready Learning: EdTech's Role in Climate Adaptation & Mitigation**

Moderator:

Raya Bidshahri, Founder & Chief Executive Officer, School of Humanity

Speakers:

Tomas Lamanauskas, Deputy Secretary General, ITU

Dr. Fuzan Al Khalidi, Education Strategy Advisor, Digital Schools

Lady Marieme Jamme, Chief Sustainability Officer & Founder, I Am The Code

Agustín Alejandro Batto Carol, Founder & Strategy Lead, Eidos Global

Mauro Bordignon, Head of Academics & Pedagogical Innovation, H-Farm International School

» **Navigating the ESG (Environmental, Social & Corporate Governance) Landscape: Synergies Between Climate Action & Educational Reform**

Moderator:

Christine Özden, Global Director, Climate Education, Cambridge Partnership for Education

Speakers:

Begoña Águeda C. de Albornoz, Corporate Citizenship & Environment Lead, Middle East, Accenture

David Boucher, Senior Corporate Partner, Global Business Coalition & Reed Smith LLP

Ayla Bajwa, Senior Vice President, DP World

18:00 - 18:30 CLOSING