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UNITWIN 2017: looking ahead to the future

Celebration of the 25th Anniversary of the UNITWIN/UNESCO Chairs Programme

'Brilliant minds for sustainable solutions'

UNESCO Headquarters, Room II,
Fontenoy Building, Paris, France
31 October 2017

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Tuesday 31 October 2017:

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Introduction:

Mr Qian Tang, Assistant Director-General for Education, UNESCO

Part 1: Reflections on the evolution and achievements of the UNITWIN/UNESCO Chairs Programme over the last 25 years

Speakers:

- Ms Irina Bokova, Director-General of UNESCO
- Mr Federico Mayor Zaragoza, President, The Foundation for a Culture of Peace Women's Knowledge International; Director-General of UNESCO (1987-1999)
- Ms Olga Vasilieva, Minister of Education and Science of the Russian Federation
- Mr Georges Haddad, President, Université Paris 1 Panthéon Sorbonne, France
- Professor Charles Hopkins, UNESCO Chairholder, UNESCO Chair on reorienting teacher education towards sustainability, York University, Canada
- Mr Josep M. Vilalta, Director, UNITWIN Network -UNESCO-UNU-ACUP-GUNI (Global University Network for Innovation) Barcelona, Spain
- Mr César Guerrero, Deputy Secretary General of the Mexican Commission for Cooperation with UNESCO

4:00 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.

Video presentation of UNESCO Chairs



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4:15 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.

Part 2: Looking ahead to the future – what role for the Programme in achieving the SDGs?

Panel discussion (60 minutes)

Moderators:

- Dr Mark Brennan, Chairholder, UNESCO Chair on Rural Community, Leadership, and Youth Development, Pennsylvania State University, United States of America
- Dr Patrick Dolan, Chairholder, UNESCO Chair in Children, Youth and Civic Engagement, the National University of Ireland, Galway, Ireland

Panellists:

- Dr Gloria Bonder, Chairholder, UNESCO Chair on Women, Science and Technology, FLACSO, Argentina
- Professor Jelel Ezzine, UNESCO Chair on Science, Technology and Innovation Policy, Ecole Nationale d'Ingénieurs de Tunis, Tunisia
- Mr Pierre Giguère, Deputy Secretary-General of ORBICOM, *Université du Québec à Montréal*- UQAM, Canada
- Dr Gloria Ramirez Hernandez, Chairholder, UNESCO Chair on Human Rights, *Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México* –UNAM, Mexico
- Professor Marc-André Renold, UNESCO Chair in the International Law of the Protection of Cultural Heritage, University of Geneva, Switzerland
- Professor Dr Jacques Zeelen, Chairholder, UNESCO Chair on Lifelong Learning, Youth and Work, Gulu University, Uganda

Questions and answers (30 minutes)

5:50 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Concluding remarks

Mr David Atchoarena, Director, Division for Policies and Lifelong Learning Systems, UNESCO