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Aurora Dialogues Berlin 2018

Humanity in a Fragile World – Partnering for Change



For the second time in a row, the Aurora Dialogues 2018 took place in Berlin. On two conference days, key decision makers from across Germany, Europe and beyond met with distinguished humanitarians and Aurora Prize laureates. They discussed how multilateral and multi-stakeholder approaches can contribute to achieving the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and to find solutions to the world's most pressing humanitarian crises. In light of increasing nationalism and isolationism, the role of civil society as well as potentially new, transnational partnerships posed major topics in the Dialogues. Civil society organisations perform significant tasks. They have a noticeable lead in knowledge supporting the collection of research and data. Moreover, they provide timely assistance to vulnerable populations and serve as a counterbalance to governments facilitating impact where states or public authorities fail to do so.

The former German Ambassador to the United States and Chairman of the Munich Security Conference (MSC), Wolfgang Ischinger, opened the conference with an impressive keynote. The Dialogues are hosted by the Aurora Humanitarian Initiative in partnership with the Global Perspectives Initiatives (GPI) supported by the Federal Foreign Office, Robert Bosch Foundation, Roland Berger Foundation, UNICEF, and Ernst & Young.

Speakers:

Marguerite Barankitse, Founder Maison Shalom and REMA Hospital

Dr Christof Bosch, Chairman of the Board of Trustees Robert Bosch Stiftung

Goran Buldioski, Co-director Open Society Initiative for Europe
Dr Katrine Camilleri, Director Jesuit Refugee Service Malta
Dr Geert Cappelaere, Regional Director for the Middle East and North Africa UNICEF
Dr Tom Catena, Chairman Aurora Humanitarian Initiative
Dr Franz Fischler, President European Forum Alpbach
Dr Ingrid Hamm, Co-Founder and CEO Global Perspectives Initiative
U Kyaw Hla Aung, Aurora Prize Laureate 2018
Prof. Wolfgang Huber, former Head of EKD Evangelical Church in Germany
Prof. Wolfgang Ischinger, former Ambassador in the USA, Chairman MSC Munich Security Conference
Saran Kaba Jones, CEO and Founder FACE Africa
Michael Keating, Special Representative Secretary-General for Somalia and Head of the United Nations Assistance Mission in Somalia
Sunitha Krishnan, Co-Founder Prajwala
Dr Anja Langenbacher, Director Europe Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
Christopher Lockyear, Secretary General Doctors without Borders International
Cem Özdemir, Member of the German Parliament and Founding Member of the European Council on Foreign Relations
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