

Strengthening Africa-Europe Partnership

GREEN TRANSITION

as a Pathway to Sustainable Development and Peace

Programme

9.00 Registration

9.30–9.40 Opening with a short cultural programme

9.40–10.00 Opening remarks

- Ms Tanja Fajon, Minister of Foreign and European Affairs of the Republic of Slovenia
- Ms Jutta Urpilainen, European Commissioner (video address, TBC)

10.00–11.15 Panel 1: Leaders' panel

Panellists:

- Ms **Tanja Fajon**, Minister of Foreign and European Affairs of the Republic of Slovenia
- Ms **Urška Klakočar Zupančič**, Speaker of the National Assembly of the Republic of Slovenia
- Rt Hon **Donatille Mukabalisa**, Speaker of the Chamber of Deputies of the Republic of Rwanda
- Ms **Emanuela Del Re**, EU Special Representative for the Sahel

Moderator: Ms **Mateja Norčič Štamcar**, Director-General of the Directorate for Political Affairs, Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs of the Republic of Slovenia

11.15–11.30 Coffee break

11.30–12.45 Panel 2: Green Transition as a Catalyst of Economic Development

Panellists:

- Eng **Awuor Ofafa**, Project Associate, African School of Regulation / Robert Schuman Centre
- Mr **Ahmed Elsewedy**, President and CEO of Elsewedy Electric, Egypt

- Mr **Joseph Siaw Agyepong**, founder and executive chairman of Jospong Group of Companies, Ghana (TBC)
- Mr **Domenico Rosa**, Head of Unit for Strategic Partnerships with Africa and with the ACP, DG INTPA, European Commission
- Mr **Dag Kralj**, MBA, Member of the Board, BISOL Group
- Mr **Jan Kostevc**, Team Team leader in Energy infrastructure in the Energy system needs department, ACER

Moderator: Dr **Smiljana Knez**, Ambassador-at-Large for Climate Diplomacy, Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs of the Republic of Slovenia

12.45 – 14.00 **Buffet Lunch**

14.00 – 15.25 **Panel 3: Fostering Green Innovation: Sharing Knowledge and Technology for a Sustainable Transition**

Presentation of the Slovenian Development cooperation: Mr **Edvin Skrt**, Director General for Development Cooperation and Humanitarian Aid, MFEA Slovenia

Presentation of the Space.SI and Jomo Kenyatta University Project: Dr **Tomaž Rodič** / Ms **Ana Dolenc**

Panellists:

- Assoc Prof **Kayihura Muganga Didas**, Vice Chancellor, University of Rwanda
- Prof Dr **Gregor Majdič**, Rector, University of Ljubljana
- Prof **Hester C. Klopper**, Deputy-Vice Chancellor, Stellenbosch University
- Prof **Jan Palmowski**, The Guild lead on Africa-Europe CoRE, The Guild
- Mr **Ibrahim Elrefaey**, doctoral researcher student, Department of Analytical Chemistry, University of Ljubljana

Moderator: Ms **Elizabeth Maloba**, Global Diplomacy Lab

Panel Pitch: Ms **Audrey Namdiero-Walsh**, Director of the Secretariat, Global Diplomacy Lab

15:25 – 15:40 **Coffee break**

15:40 – 17.10 **Panel 4: Strengthening Cultural Cooperation: Sustainable Networks for Sustainable Future**

Europe-Africa cultural cooperation project showcase:

- Share / Ms **Nataša Zavolovšek**, Zavod Exodos
- Starts4Africa / Ms **Jasna Ratoša**, Društvo Pina



- Deconfining arts, culture and policies in Europe and Africa / Ms **Sara Božanić**, Institute for Transmedia Design

Panellists:

- Ms **Samba Yonga**, Founder of Ku-Atenga Media, Co-Founder of Women's History Museum Zambia
- Ms **Vydia Tamby**, Cultural advisor to the mayor of Dakar
- Ms **Barbara Eigner**, International Relations, European Capital of Culture Bad Ischl – Salzkammergut 2024 GmbH
- Mr **Stojan Pelko**, Head of Programme, European Capital of Culture Nova Gorica/Gorizia

Moderator: TBD

17.10 – 17.25 Concluding remarks

- Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Slovenia
- European Commission
- Chatham House

17.25 – 19:00 Reception

18.00 – 21.30 Concert

Throughout the afternoon, there will be a cultural and accompanying programme in the park in front of the Center Rog. It will end with a concert.

Venue: Center Rog, Trubarjeva cesta 72, Ljubljana, Slovenia.

Language: Simultaneous translation into Slovenian, English and French will be provided.

