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20 September 2021

New York, USA



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## PROGRAM

Arrival of participants to the Knickerbocker Hotel NYC  
6 Times Square, New York, USA, 10036, USA

### SUNDAY, 19 September

20:00 Welcome Reception – 9 Anniversary of the NGIC  
Knickerbocker Hotel St. Cloud Rooftop

### MONDAY, 20 September

09:30 - 10:00 Opening Ceremony

Knickerbocker Hotel/ 4<sup>th</sup> floor

3:30 PM - Central European Summer Time (CEST) (UTC+2)

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5:30 PM - Azerbaijan Time (AZT) (UTC+4)

- *Vaira Vike-Freiberga, Co-Chair NGIC President of Latvia 1999-2007 (Via Zoom)*
- *Ismail Serageldin, Co-Chair NGIC, Vice President of the World Bank 1992-2000*
- *Kerry Kennedy, President Robert F. Kennedy Human Rights*
- *Miguel Angel Moratinos, Under-Secretary General, High Representative for the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations*
- *Khazar Ibrahim, Ambassador of the Republic of Azerbaijan to the United States of America*
- *Marianna V. Vardinoyannis, Goodwill Ambassador of UNESCO, BoT Member NGIC (Video Message)*

*Moderator: Rovshan Muradov, Secretary General Nizami Ganjavi International Center*

## 10:00 - 10:30 Special Address: Peace and Stability: Future of Western Balkans

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- *Stevo Pendarovski*, President of the Republic of North Macedonia
- *Sefik Džaferovic*, Member of the Presidency of Bosnia and Herzegovina (Video Message)

Moderator: *Zlatko Lagumdžija*, Prime Minister of Bosnia and Herzegovina 2001-2002

## 10:30 – 12:00 PANEL 1: Towards COP26: Climate Crisis Response Actions

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- *Michael Dukakis*, Governor of Massachusetts 1983-1991 (Video Message)
- *Jean Baderschneider*, Chair of the Board and Founding Board Member Global Fund to End Modern Slavery, Board of Directors, Fortescue Metals Group and Fortescue Future Industries (Via Zoom)
- *Zlatko Lagumdžija*, Prime Minister of Bosnia and Herzegovina 2001-2002
- *Rosen Plevneliev*, President of Bulgaria 2012-2017 (Via Zoom)
- *Jeffrey Sachs*, Special Adviser to the Secretary General of the UN on SDG, Special Adviser to the NGIC
- *Phoebe Koundouri*, Director Sustainable Development Unit, Director EIT Climate KIC Hub Greece (Via Zoom)
- *Ameenah Gurib-Fakim*, President of Mauritius 2015-2018 (Via Zoom)

Moderator: *Maria Fernanda Espinosa*, President 73<sup>rd</sup> UN General Assembly, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Ecuador 2017-2018 (Via Zoom)

## 12:00 - 12:15 Coffee Break

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## 12:15 - 13:45 PANEL 2: Multilateral response to Peace and Security

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- *Tzipi Livni*, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Israel 2006-2009
- *Yves Leterme*, Prime Minister of Belgium 2008, 2009-2011 (Via Zoom)
- *David Merkel*, former Deputy Assistant Secretary for European and Eurasian Affairs US Department of State, Director for Europe and Eurasia at the National Security Council (Via Zoom)

- *Eka Tkeshelashvili, deputy Prime Minister of Georgia 2010-2012 (Via Zoom)*
- *Amre Moussa, Secretary General, Arab League 2001-2011, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Egypt 1991-2001*
- *Kailash Satyarthi, Nobel Peace Prize Laureate 2014 (video message)*
- *Kolinda Grabar-Kitarovic, President of Croatia 2015-2020*
- *Mladen Ivanic, President of Bosnia and Herzegovina 2014-2018*

*Moderator: Susan Elliott, President and CEO, National Committee on American Foreign Policy*

13:45 - 14:45 Luncheon with remarks by Ambassador Ghulam M. Isacgai, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan to the United Nations

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14:45- 16:15 PANEL 3: Health and Inequality in Post COVID Era:

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- *Ivo Josipovic, President of Croatia 2010-2015 (Via Zoom)*
- *Igor Luksic, Prime Minister of Montenegro 2010-2012 (Via Zoom)*
- *Jan Fischer, Prime Minister of the Czech Republic 2009-2010 (Via Zoom)*
- *Petar Stoyanov, President of Bulgaria 1997-2002*
- *Valdis Zatlers, President of Latvia 2007-2011 (Via Zoom)*
- *Nguyen Anh Tuan, Co-Founder and CEO, Boston Global Forum*
- *Amir Dossal, President and CEO Global Partnership Forum*
- *Mats Karlsson, Vice-President, External Affairs at the World Bank 1999-2002 (Via Zoom)*

*Moderator: David Chikvaidsze, Chief of the Cabinet of the Director General United Nations Office at Geneva (Via Zoom)*

20:00 Official Dinner

*Kindly requested to gather at 19:30 for COVID regulations and vaccine certificate check*

**VENUE: Tavern On The Green**

67th street and Central Park West, NY 10023, USA

Presentation of the Nizami Ganjavi International Award 2021

Remarks:

*Vaira Vike-Freiberga, Co-Chair NGIC, President of Latvia 1999-2007 (Video Message)*  
*Kerry Kennedy, President Robert F. Kennedy Human Rights, BoT Member NGIC*  
*Edi Rama, Prime Minister of the Republic of Albania*  
*Tzipi Livni, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Israel 2006-2009*

*Miguel Angel Moratinos, Under-Secretary General, High Representative for the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations*  
*Ismail Serageldin, Co-Chair NGIC, Vice-President of the World Bank 1992-2000, Emeritus Librarian of Alexandria*

Recipient:

- *Wendy Fisher, President of the Board of Trustees of the Solomon R. Guggenheim Foundation*

Video Message of

- *Gordon Brown, Prime Minister of the UK 2007-2010*

## TUESDAY, 21 September

09:00 - 09:30 Closing Ceremony

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<b>Jean Baderschneider</b>	Chair of the Board and Founding Board Member Global Fund to End Modern Slavery, Board of Directors, Fortescue Metals Group and Fortescue Future Industries / Digital
<b>Gordon Brown</b>	Prime Minister of the UK 2007-2010 (Video Message)
<b>David Chikvaidze</b>	Chief of the Cabinet of the Director General United Nations Office at Geneva / Digital
<b>Robert Cekuta</b>	former Ambassador of USA to Azerbaijan
<b>Sefik Dzaferovic</b>	Member of the Presidency of Bosnia and Herzegovina (Video Message)
<b>Amir Dossal</b>	President and CEO Global Partnership Forum
<b>Michael Dukakis</b>	Governor of Massachusetts 1983-1991 / Digital
<b>Ana Birchall</b>	Deputy Prime Minister of Romania 2018-2019, Minister of Justice 2019, Member of the Parliament / Digital
<b>Susan Elliott</b>	President National Committee on American Foreign Policy
<b>Maria Fernanda Espinosa</b>	President 73 <sup>rd</sup> UN General Assembly, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Ecuador 2017-2018 / Digital
<b>Wendy Fisher</b>	President of the Board of Trustees of the Solomon R. Guggenheim Foundation
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<b>Chiril Gaburici</b>	Prime Minister of Moldova 2015/Digital
<b>Ameenah Gurib-Fakim</b>	President of Mauritius 2015-2018 / Digital
<b>Mladen Ivanic</b>	President of Bosnia and Herzegovina 2014-2018
<b>Khazar Ibrahim</b>	Ambassador of the Republic of Azerbaijan to USA
<b>Ilaha Ibrahimli</b>	deputy Secretary General Nizami Ganjavi International Center
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<b>Nihal Saad</b>	Chief of Cabinet and Spokesperson for the High-Representative for the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations
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<b>Valdis Zatlers</b>	President of Latvia 2007-2011 / Digital