



## HIGH-LEVEL CLOSING OF GLOBAL CLIMATE ACTION, BULA ZONE

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**The High-Level Champions welcome all for the closing of the high-level event on climate action.**

### KEY INFORMATION

**About:** On the evening of 15 November, the high-level event will be brought to a close with highlights of the Global Climate Action programme relayed to assembled delegates, Ministers and Heads of State at one event within the main plenary room of the negotiations. This event provides the platform where a very select group of non-Party stakeholders can land the critical message of accelerated climate action and act as the critical bridge between non-Party actions and the negotiations.

At the beginning of the event the Yearbook of Climate Action will be presented, which will provide an overview of climate action on the seven thematic areas and the achievements under the Marrakech Partnership. It should also highlight gaps, challenges and policy asks, as well as messaging in the lead-up to the Talanoa Dialogue.

**Date & Timing:** 18:00pm-19:15pm, Wednesday 15 November

**Location:** Plenary New York, Bula Zone

### Opening Speakers:

- **Frank Bainimarama**, President of COP 23 & Prime Minister Fiji
- **Inia Seruiratu**, Climate Champion & Fijian Minister for Agriculture and the Minister for Rural and Maritime Development and National Disaster Management
- **Salaheddine Mezouar**, President of COP 22 and Minister of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of the Kingdom of Morocco

### Panel Speakers:

- **Ashok Sridharan**, Mayor of Bonn, Member of the Global Climate Action Leadership Network and First Vice President of ICLEI
- **Fiza Farhan**, UN Secretary-General's HLP on Women's Economic Empowerment Member & Global Advisor on Climate Change & Women Empowerment
- **Nicola Sturgeon**, First Minister, Scotland
- **Manuel Pulgar-Vidal**, Head of Climate Change, WWF and member of the Climate Action Leadership Network
- **Frank Appel**, Chief Executive Officer, Deutsche Post DPDHL Group



## Moderator:

**Jill Peeters**, Weather Forecaster and member of the Climate Action Leadership Network

## Closing Speaker

- **António Guterres**, Secretary-General, United Nations
- **Frank Bainimarama**, COP 23 President & Prime Minister Fiji

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## CONTEXTUALIZATION OF GLOBAL CLIMATE ACTION AT COP23

In the heart of the Bonn Zone at the United Nations Climate Change Conference COP23 in Bonn, Germany, the Marrakech Partnership for Global Climate Action (GCA) is hosting a five-day program of events, which will demonstrate how cities, regions, businesses and investors are working – in harmony with governments – to implement the Paris Agreement. In total, there will be well over 100 events, incorporating a range of formats, such as plenary events, roundtable discussions, press conferences, and digital dialogues for broadcast on Facebook Live.

Participants in these events will represent the spectrum of climate action and will include CEOs, Mayors, Governors and other figureheads from civil society at large. Some speakers already confirmed are Arnold Schwarzenegger, Paris Mayor Anne Hidalgo, California Governor Jerry Brown, Marshall Islands President Hilda Heine, Astronaut Thomas Pesquet, Unilever CEO Paul Polman, Scotland's First Minister Nicola Sturgeon, and Explorer Bertrand Picard.

The first three GCA days (10-12 November) will showcase action in 8 core thematic areas; namely Energy, Water, Agriculture, Oceans & Coastal Zones, Human Settlements, Transport, Industry and Forests. The final two days (13-14 November) will pivot into the high-level segment, featuring the most prominent speakers who can spotlight the crosscutting themes of finance, innovation, resilience, Sustainable Development Goal 11 (Sustainable Cities & Communities) and Sustainable Development Goal 2 (Zero Hunger).

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**THEMATIC DAYS OVERVIEW**



FRIDAY 10 NOVEMBER			SATURDAY 11 NOVEMBER			SUNDAY 12 NOVEMBER		
ENERGY	WATER	AGRICULTURE	OCEANS & COASTAL ZONES	HUMAN STLMTS.	TRANSPORT	INDUSTRY	FORESTS	LOCAL & REGIONAL LEADERS SUMMIT
								HEALTH DAY

**HIGH-LEVEL DAYS OVERVIEW**

MONDAY 13 NOVEMBER	TUESDAY 14 NOVEMBER	WEDNESDAY 15 NOVEMBER
HIGH-LEVEL OPENING	RESILIENCE	
FINANCE	INNOVATION	
CLIMATE ACTION & SDG11 H-L ROUNDTABLES	CLIMATE ACTION & SDG2 H-L ROUNDTABLES	BULA ZONE HIGH-LEVEL CLOSING
	CLOSING (BONN ZONE)	

**GENDER DAY**