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Ajay Mathur

Ajay Mathur is an Indian energy and climate expert who served as the Director General of the International Solar Alliance (ISA) until March 2025. Previously, he headed the Climate Change Team at the World Bank in Washington, D.C. and later became President of Suzlon Energy. He also led the interim Secretariat of the Green Climate Fund (GCF) from 2012 to 2013, helping to lay the foundation for the Fund's establishment and operations. From 2006 to 2016, he served as Director General of the Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE) under the Government of India, where he spearheaded major initiatives such as the Star Labeling Program for appliances and the Energy Conservation Building Code (ECBC). Mr. Mathur was a key member of India's climate change negotiating team from 2006 to 2011 and served as an official spokesperson for India during COP21 in Paris in November 2015. He is widely recognized for his contributions to energy efficiency, renewable energy, climate policy, and international climate cooperation.



Enele Sosene Sopoaga

Enele Sosene Sopoaga is a Tuvaluan diplomat and politician who served as the Prime Minister of Tuvalu from 2013 to 2019. Before his tenure as Prime Minister, Sopoaga served as Tuvalu's Permanent Representative to the United Nations from 2001 to 2006. He was also the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs, Environment, and Labour in 2010. During his time as Prime Minister, Sopoaga focused on addressing Tuvalu's vulnerabilities to climate change and global economic challenges, highlighting the existential threats posed by climate change to Pacific Island nations, and advocating for sustainable development and environmental preservation.



Hindou Oumarou Ibrahim

Hindou Oumarou Ibrahim is an Indigenous woman from Mbororo pastoralist community of Chad, who advocates for Indigenous Peoples rights and environmental protection. She is Vice Chair of the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (UNPFII), a high-level advisory body to the Economic and Social Council. She also serves as President of the Association for Indigenous Women and Peoples of Chad (AFPAT), an organization she founded to promote the rights of indigenous peoples and address environmental challenges. Ibrahim is an expert in indigenous peoples' adaptation to climate change, traditional ecological knowledge, and climate change mitigation strategies.



Izabella Mônica Vieira Teixeira

Izabella Mônica Vieira Teixeira is a Brazilian environmental policy expert with over 30 years of experience in public service. She served as Minister of the Environment from 2010 to 2016, where she was instrumental in advancing Brazil's role in global climate negotiations, including the Rio+20 Conference and the Paris Agreement. She currently serves as Co-Chair of the UN International Resource Panel (IRP) and holds key roles with organizations such as Ambipar, the Brazilian Center for International Relations (CEBRI), and UN-DESA. Earlier in her career, Teixeira worked at IBAMA and held several senior positions in Brazil's Ministry of the Environment. In recognition of her leadership in reducing Amazon deforestation, she was named a UN "Champion of the Earth" in 2013. She continues to be an influential global voice on biodiversity, sustainable development, and environmental governance.

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Johan Rockström



Johan Rockström is an internationally recognized scientist currently serving as Director of the Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research (PIK), and a Professor in Earth System Science at the University of Potsdam. Rockström was Executive Director of the Stockholm Environment Institute (SEI) from 2004-2012. He led the development of the Planetary Boundaries framework for human development in the current era of rapid global change, first published in 2009, with updates in 2015 and 2023. Throughout his career, he has advocated for integrating scientific research into policy making to address climate change and promote sustainability. His contributions have been recognized with several awards, including the 2024 Tyler Prize for Environmental Achievement.

Jonathan Pershing



Jonathan Pershing is the Inaugural Dean of the Global School of Sustainability at the London School of Economics (LSE) and a leading expert in international climate and energy policy. With more than three decades of experience, he has held senior leadership positions at the U.S. Department of State, U.S. Department of Energy, the William and Flora Hewlett Foundation, the International Energy Agency, and the World Resources Institute. A key architect of global climate initiatives, including the Paris Agreement, Pershing is recognized for his work advancing climate diplomacy, clean energy innovation, and sustainable development through collaboration among governments, businesses, and civil society.

Kim Stanley Robinson



Kim Stanley Robinson is an award-winning science fiction writer from the United States, widely recognized for his thought-provoking work centered on climate change, ecology, and space exploration. Renowned for blending scientific accuracy with compelling narratives, Robinson's novels explore the complex relationship between humanity and the planet. Among his most influential works is *The Ministry for the Future*, which offers a visionary and politically nuanced response to the global climate crisis. His other notable works include the *Mars Trilogy*, a detailed and realistic imagining of the colonization and terraforming of Mars. Over the course of his career, Robinson has received multiple Hugo, Nebula, and Locus Awards, and *Time* magazine named him a "Hero of the Environment" for his contributions to public understanding of environmental issues through fiction.

Laurence Tubiana



Laurence Tubiana is CEO of the European Climate Foundation, Professor at the École Normale Supérieure in Paris, and co-chair of the Global Solidarity Levies Task Force. A key architect of the Paris Agreement, she served as France's Climate Change Ambassador and Special Representative for COP21, and later as UN High-Level Champion for climate action. She has worked for decades across climate, energy, and sustainable development, engaging with governments, academia, NGOs, and international institutions. She previously advised French Prime Minister Lionel Jospin, founded IDDRI, co-chaired the governance committee of France's Citizens' Climate Convention, and created the Directorate for Global Public Goods at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. She has received numerous honours, including France's Légion d'Honneur in 2024.

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Manuel Pulgar-Vidal



Manuel Pulgar-Vidal is a Peruvian lawyer and environmental policy expert with over 35 years of experience in environmental law and sustainable development. He currently serves as the Global Leader of Climate & Energy at the World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF) and is the interim chair of the IUCN Climate Crisis Commission. From 2011 to 2016, he was Peru's Minister of the Environment, during which time he played a key role in international climate negotiations, notably serving as President of COP20 in Lima in 2014, helping to lay the groundwork for the Paris Agreement. Pulgar-Vidal was the founding Executive Director of the Peruvian Society for Environmental Law, one of Latin America's most influential environmental law organizations. He has also held positions on the boards of Forest Trends, the Amazon Conservation Association, and the Science Based Targets initiative, and serves in advisory roles with multiple global environmental coalitions.

Mary Robinson



Mary Robinson is the first woman to serve as President of Ireland (1990–1997) and a former United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (1997–2002). A lawyer, politician, and diplomat, she has been a tireless advocate for human rights, climate justice, and gender equality. She founded the Mary Robinson Foundation – Climate Justice in 2010 to support communities most vulnerable to climate change and led Realizing Rights: The Ethical Globalization Initiative from 2002 to 2010. Robinson is a founding member and former Chair (2018–2024) of The Elders, a group of independent global leaders founded by Nelson Mandela to promote peace, justice, and sustainability. As an Elder, she has addressed the UN Security Council and engaged with world leaders including Pope Francis, President Macron, and President Xi Jinping. She has also served as the UN Secretary-General's Special Envoy for the Great Lakes region of Africa, on Climate Change, and on El Niño and Climate. Since 2019, she has been Adjunct Professor for Climate Justice at Trinity College Dublin.

Racquel Moses



Racquel Moses is the CEO of the Caribbean Climate-Smart Accelerator (CCSA), where she spearheads initiatives aimed at establishing the region as a Climate-Smart Zone, fostering collaboration among governments, private sector entities, and international organizations. She is also a UNFCCC Global Ambassador and a Trustee for the Trinidad and Tobago Olympic Committee. In the past, Moses held several executive positions, including Country Head of Microsoft Trinidad and Tobago, and Regional Director of the Public Sector for Microsoft Caribbean.

Sandrine Dixson-Declève



Sandrine Dixson-Declève served as Co-President of the Club of Rome from 2018–2024 and now acts as its Global Ambassador while leading as the Executive Chair of Earth4All, an initiative promoting economic systems change for a sustainable future. She sits on the Climate Governance Commission and the newly formed WHO Pan European Climate & Health Commission. She has advised governments, businesses, and international organizations, chaired the European Commission's Expert Group on Economic and Societal Impact of Research & Innovation (ESIR), and serves or has served on Boards and advisory boards of Climate KIC, Laudes Foundation, Imperial College London, UCL, BMW, UCB and EDP. A TED speaker and author, she co-wrote *Earth for All: A Survival Guide for Humanity* and advocates for bold climate action, economic reform, and social equity to address global challenges. Sandrine currently teaches at the College of Europe.

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Wolfgang Blau

Wolfgang Blau is a German expert in climate communication and climate journalism, advising many of the world's largest companies, NGOs, and universities on their climate strategies. He serves as the Global Managing Partner of the Brunswick Group's Climate Hub, with teams in 27 cities worldwide. Together with Oxford University, he co-founded the Oxford Climate Journalism Network, which trains 300 journalists each year from over 100 countries to enhance their coverage of climate issues. Previously, he served as Global Chief Operating Officer and President International at the U.S. media company Condé Nast (publisher of Wired, The New Yorker, Vanity Fair, Vogue), where he held P&L responsibility for Condé Nast's businesses across Asia, Europe, and Latin America. He was also Executive Director Digital for The Guardian in the U.S., UK, and Australia; Editor-in-Chief of Germany's ZEIT ONLINE; and a Silicon Valley reporter for Germany's DIE WELT and ZDF. He began his career as the youngest radio news anchor at Germany's national public broadcaster ARD. He lives in London.



Youba Sokona

Prof. SOKONA has decades of experience in energy, environment and sustainable development in Africa, and has played a central role in national and continental initiatives. He is currently with the African Institute for Sustainable Energy and System Analysis. He served as Vice-Chair of the IPCC sixth assessment report and Co-Chair of IPCC Working Group III for the fifth assessment. In 2007, he received a personal certificate from the Nobel Committee for his significant contribution to the IPCC's Nobel Peace Prize-winning work. He has held major leadership roles, including Inaugural Coordinator of the African Climate Policy Centre and Executive Secretary of the Sahara and the Sahel Observatory. He is affiliated with numerous academic and scientific institutions, including University College London, The World Academy of Sciences, and the African Academy of Sciences. Prof. SOKONA is a global figure with deep technical expertise, extensive policy experience, and a strong commitment to African-led development.



Zeid Ra'ad Al Hussein

Zeid Ra'ad Al Hussein is a former Jordanian diplomat and human rights advocate who currently serves as the President and CEO of the International Peace Institute, and as Professor at the University of Pennsylvania. He is also a member of The Elders. He served as the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights from 2014–2019. In the past, Zeid also served as Jordan's Permanent Representative to the United Nations and Ambassador to the U.S., advocating for global cooperation on security and humanitarian issues. He was elected the first President of the Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court, chaired the Consultative Committee for the United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM), and serves as an International Gender Champion, among other roles.