

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13: PLENARY SESSIONS

08:30 – 09:45 WELCOME

- H.E. Ólafur Ragnar Grímsson, Chairman Arctic Circle, former President of Iceland

OPENING SESSION I

- Bjarni Benediktsson, Prime Minister of Iceland
- Bob McLeod, Premier of the Northwest Territories
- Ségolène Royal, Ambassador for the Arctic and Antarctic Poles, former Minister of Climate and Environment, France
- Aksel V. Johannesen, Prime Minister of the Faroe Islands
- H.E. Guðni Th. Jóhannesson, President of Iceland

OPENING SESSION II: THE ARCTIC IN THE BELT AND ROAD INITIATIVE

- Lin Shanqing, Deputy Administrator, State Oceanic Administration, People's Republic of China

OPENING SESSION III: THE FUTURE OF THE ARCTIC – A RUSSIAN VISION

- Vladimir Barbin, Ambassador for Arctic Affairs, Russian Federation

OPENING SESSION IV: THE ARCTIC ENGAGEMENT OF ASIA

- Keiji Ide, Ambassador in charge of Arctic Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan
- Kim Young-jun, Ambassador for Arctic Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Korea
- Gao Feng, Special Representative for Arctic Affairs, Foreign Ministry of the People's Republic of China

Chair – Opening I-II: Peter Seligmann, Chairman of the Board, Conservation International

Chair – Opening III-V: Alice Rogoff, Publisher, Arctic Now

09:45 – 10:10 THE WAY FORWARD IN GLOBAL CLIMATE COOPERATION

KEYNOTES

- Patricia Espinosa, Executive Secretary of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)
- Adnan Z. Amin, Director-General, International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA)

Chair: Össur Skarphéðinsson, former Icelandic Minister of Foreign Affairs, Energy and Environment

10:25 – 10:50 A DIALOGUE WITH NICOLA STURGEON, FIRST MINISTER OF SCOTLAND

- Nicola Sturgeon, First Minister of Scotland

Chair: Ólafur Ragnar Grímsson, Chairman Arctic Circle

10:50 – 11:10 THE CLEAN ENERGY AND CLIMATE VISION OF THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

KEYNOTE

- H.E. Dr. Thani Al Zeyoudi, Minister of Climate Change and Environment, United Arab Emirates

VIDEO PRESENTATION

Chair: Ólafur Ragnar Grímsson, Chairman Arctic Circle

11:10 – 11:25 ARCTIC CLIMATE SCIENCE AND POLICY: REGIONAL AND GLOBAL DIMENSIONS

SPEECH

- John Holdren, former Science Advisor to the President of the United States; Chairman of the White House Executive Steering Committee on the Arctic: Arctic Climate Science and Policy: Regional and Global Dimensions

Chair: Jan-Gunnar Winther, Director, Norwegian Polar Institute

11:25 – 12:10 OBSERVING AND RESPONDING TO A CHANGING ARCTIC
Organized by The World Meteorological Organization (WMO)

Video Message: HSH Prince Albert II of Monaco

PANEL

- Petteri Taalas, Secretary General World Meteorological Organization
- Kelly Falkner, Director, Office of Polar Programs, National Science Foundation (NSF)
- Larry Hinzman, Vice-President International Arctic Science Committee (IASC)
- Marianne Kroglund, Chair of the Arctic Council's Arctic Monitoring and Assessment Programme (AMAP)
- Andrea Tilchbe, Head of the Climate action and Earth observation Unit

Chair: David Eades, BBC

14:00 – 14:25 DIALOGUE WITH SENATOR LISA MURKOWSKI

- Lisa Murkowski, United States Senator from Alaska; Chair of the Energy and Natural Resources of the United States Senate

Chair: Jane Harman, President and CEO, Wilson Center

Introduction: Alice Rogoff, Publisher, Arctic Now

14:25 – 15:15 JUST PEACE WITH EARTH

KEYNOTE

- His All Holiness, Ecumenical Orthodox Patriarch Bartholomew I

PANEL

- Darren McCartney, Suffragan Bishop, Diocese of the Arctic in Canada
- Peter Loy Chong, PhD., Catholic Archbishop of Suva, Fiji, Roman Catholic Church
- Clarisse Kehler Siebert, International Lawyer and Research Fellow at the Stockholm Environment Institute
- Reverend Tore Johnson, former General secretary, Sami Church Council Norway

Chair: Anders Weyryd, PhD., Archbishop Emeritus of the Church of Sweden, World Council of Churches European President

15:15 – 16:00 ROADMAP: CLIMATE, ENERGY, NATURE, PEOPLE

INTRODUCTION

- Ólafur Ragnar Grímsson, Chairman Arctic Circle

SPEAKERS

- Laurene Powell Jobs, Founder & President, Emerson Collective
- Peter Seligmann, Chairman of the Board, Conservation International
- Christoph Wolff, Managing Director, European Climate Foundation
- H.E. Prime Minister Henry Puna of the Cook Islands

Chair: Andy Karsner, Managing Partner, Emerson Collective; Senior Strategist & Space Cowboy, X; former United States Assistant Secretary for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

16:00 – 16:10 FROM THE ARCTIC TO THE UNIVERSE:

Cooperation on the new observatory in Northeastern Iceland

- Huigen Yang, Director General, Polar Research Institute of China (PRIC)

Chair: Barbara Ryan, Secretariat Director, Group on Earth Observations