



# **INVITATION**

Beijing, August 15, 2023

#### Dear Ms. Mehri Madarshahi,

We are delighted to announce the upcoming Global Talent Sustainable Development Forum 2023, scheduled to take place at the National Conference Center on September 6, 2023. This forum is a significant part of the 2023 China International Fair for Trade in Services (CIFTIS) and is dedicated to the exploration of global talent and sustainable development. It is with great honor that we extend an invitation to you to deliver a 10-minute keynote speech via video during "Theme One: Building a Sustainable Mechanism for Global Talent Cultivation and Collaboration."

As we embark on the journey to achieve the 2030 Sustainable Development Goals, we are met with unprecedented challenges. The intricacies of geopolitics, the global prevalence of pandemics, and the fragile state of economic recovery all contribute to the formidable task of realizing sustainable development goals. However, these challenges extend beyond external factors and are rooted in the absence of sustainable mechanisms for international talent cultivation and development. This situation has resulted in regional disparities in development, hampering overall sustainable progress worldwide.

The purpose of this forum is to convene policymakers, scholars, and practitioners from diverse sectors worldwide to collaboratively explore and establish sustainable mechanisms for international talent cultivation and development. We firmly believe that through shared efforts and the exchange of best practices, we can collectively forge a more inclusive, balanced, and sustainable talent cultivation system. This, in turn, will invigorate the pursuit of the 2030 Sustainable Development Goals.

Kindly confirm your participation with Mr. LI Qing at +86 18618232317 or <a href="liqing@ccg.org.cn">liqing@ccg.org.cn</a>, who will address any inquiries or concerns you may have, preferably by August 18. Additional details regarding event arrangements will be provided in due course. We greatly appreciate your early consideration and look forward to welcoming you to the forum events in September.

Most Respectfully,

Organizing Committee of Global Talent Sustainable Development Forum 2023





# Global Talent Sustainable Development Forum 2023

"One Agenda for the Shared Future"

Date: Wednesday, Sep. 6th 2023

Venue: National Conference Center

Host



Co-host



Special partner



**Organizers** 







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### Draft Agenda

08:30-09:00 Registration

#### **Opening Ceremony**

09:00-09:05 Introduction

09:05-09:55 Opening Remarks

**Denis Simon** President, Alliance of Global Talent Organizations (AGTO)

**H.E. Violeta Bulc** Vice President of Europe Asia Center, former Commissioner for Transport and Mobility of the European Commission, former Deputy Prime Minister of Republic of Slovenia (video)

Hans d'Orville Former Assistant Director-General for Strategic Planning of UNESCO (video)

Smriti Aryal Country Representative of UN Women China

WANG Huiyao President of Center for China and Globalization, former Counselor of the State Council

09:55-10:30 Group Photo/ Break

## Theme One: Building a Sustainable Mechanism for Global Talent Cultivation and Collaboration

10:30-11:00 Keynote Speeches

H.E. Jesús Seade Kuri Ambassador of Mexico to China

Mehri Madarshahi former UN senior economist, member of the UNESCO International Center for Creativity and Sustainable Development (ICCSD) Advisory Committee (video)

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11:00-12:00 Panel Discussion

Chair:

Mabel Miao Secretary General, Center for China and Globalization (CCG)

#### Panelists (alphabetical, tbc):

**Esmé Cartens** Attaché Education and Science, Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands in China

María Luisa Ochoa Fernández Counsellor of Education, Embassy of Spain in China

**Medea Fux** Deputy Head of Science, Technology and Education Section, Embassy of Switzerland in China

**Amna Al Hammadi** Deputy Chief of Mission, the United Arab Emirates Embassy in China

**Nick Thomas** Director of British Council in China, Minister-Counsellor (Culture and Education) of British Embassy in China

**Karen Welsh** Minister-Counsellor (Education and Research), Australian Embassy in China





12:30-14:00 Break

Theme Two: Promoting Gender-Smart Business Practices & Investment

14:00-14:10 Welcoming Remarks

Smriti Aryal Country Representative of UN Women China

Mabel Miao Secretary General, Center for China and Globalization (CCG)

14:10-14:30 Keynote Speeches

TBD, Chinese government /academia Representative

High-level Official from the EU Delegation in China

14:30-15:20 Panel Discussion

Chair:

YANG Ruikan Partnership Specialist, UN Women China

Participants (tbc):

H.E. Oliver Wonekha Ambassador of Uganda to China

LIYe Vice President, Head of Corporate Affairs and Government

Relations, Merck Holding (China) Ltd

Jane Sun CEO of Trip.com Group

YAN Rui Managing Director of Europe-Asia Center

Gobi Partners

Chinese company who operates overseas

15:20-15:30 Q&A with audience

15:30-15:40 Break

Special Segment

15:40-16:10 Keynote Speeches

Denis Simon President, Alliance of Global Talent Organizations

(AGTO)

(tbd)

16:10-16:20 Inauguration Ceremony of the International Talent Development

**Professional Committee** 

16:20-16:40 Youth SDG | Award Ceremony

Theme Three: Cultivating Sustainable Talent through Sustainable Education

16:40-17:10 Keynote Speeches

**ZHANG Nan** Programme and Partnership Specialist for UNV in China **LOU Ya** UN Partnership and Financing Officer, Office of the UN

Resident Coordinator in China

YING Sheng National Officer of UN-Habitat China Office

17:10-18:00 Panel Discussion

Chair:

Frances Sun Non-resident Senior Fellow of CCG, former Director for Asia





国际人才可持续发展论坛

#### Harvard Alumni Association

Panelists (alphabetical, tbc):

AN Wei Board Chair of Beijing City International School Chinese Principal of AISL Harrow Nanning Stella Jiang Senior Manager of Development and Recognition for International Baccalaureate Organization (China, Mongolia) Lily Liu Principal of Dehong Xi'an School WANG Dianjun National Education Inspector, Director of Division of

Basic Education Research at the Tsinghua University Instituted of Education, former Principal of Tsinghua University High School

18:00 Close