



LAB DEBATE

SUSTAINABLE RESOURCE USE AND MANAGEMENT: SUCCESSFULLY IMPLEMENTING THE SDGS

With the participation of:

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The sustainable management and use of natural resources will be critical for the achievement of the SDGs. Of the 17 Goals, progress towards 12 directly depends upon the sustainable utilization of natural resources.

Current trends of unsustainable exploitation and use of natural resources will affect their future availability and accessibility and could impede the fulfilment of the 2030 Agenda. Further, as natural resources are intrinsically interlinked, pathways and policies designed to accomplish one SDG may impede progress towards numerous others.

This event will discuss the main findings of the IRP on sustainable use and management of natural resources in the context of the SDGs with the aim of drawing the attention of those involved in the process to several potential policy coherence issues.

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5:45 - 7:00pm

D5 Room

***Sustainable
natural resource
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SDGs as well as
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everybody.***



Agenda:

Chaired by **Janez Potočnik**, Co-Chair of the International Resource Panel

5:45pm – 6:00pm	Presentation of <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>International Resource Panel</i>• <i>Topic and Context</i>• <i>Speakers</i>	Presentation by Janez Potočnik
6:00pm – 6:30pm	<i>How to enable the achievement of SDGs in the context of natural resource use, management and governance at different levels</i>	Panel discussion with the participation of: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Anuradha Ramaswami• Anders Wijkman• Ester van der Voet
6:30pm – 6:50pm	<i>Question and answer session</i>	
6:50pm – 7:00pm	<i>Conclusions</i>	By Janez Potočnik

About the International Resource Panel

The International Resource Panel (IRP) was established in 2007 to consolidate and analyse the best available scientific knowledge on resource-related issues, and provide policy-relevant findings to governments and other stakeholders as a basis for developing sustainable development policies. The Panel contributes to the Science-Policy interface by serving as a platform for exchange between eminent scientists from around the world and the policy community. It provides the experts with an insight into the knowledge needs of policy makers, while informing policy makers and other stakeholders of policy-relevant science as a basis for developing sustainable development policies.

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