

**Preliminary Program**  
**Interconnected Voices: Climate Change, Equity, and the Way Forward**  
**Online Conference on Climate Change and Climate Justice**  
**25-26 November 2020**

**Day 1: Climate Change**  
**Wednesday, 25 November 2020**

9:00 – 10:00	<p><b>Opening Session</b> Chair: <b>Dr. Philipp Blechinger</b>, Reiner Lemoine Institut, Germany &amp; AGYA member</p> <p><b>Key Note</b> <b>Renewable Energy and Climate Change</b> <b>Prof. Dr. Daniel M. Kammen</b>, University of California, Berkeley, USA</p> <p><b>Key Note</b> <b>Climate Change and SDG7</b> <b>Dr. Rebekah Shirley</b>, Strathmore University, Kenya</p>
10:00 – 11:00	<p><b>Session 1:</b> <b>Challenges of Climate Change on Water, Energy, and Environment</b> Chair: <b>Prof. Dr. Zeina Hobaika</b>, University of St Joseph, Lebanon &amp; AGYA member</p> <p>Understanding climate change impacts is critical for reducing its devastating impacts to the natural environment, social structures, and livelihoods. This session gives an overview of current and future risks and challenges and the measures taken to cope with the consequences.</p> <p><i>3 presentations plus Q&amp;A</i> <i>Open call for AGYA members and external speakers</i></p>
11:00-11:30	<p><i>Coffee Break</i></p>
11:30-12:30	<p><b>Parallel Session 2A:</b> <b>Technical Solutions - Renewable Energy</b> Chair: <b>Prof. Dr. Zeina Hobaika</b>, University of St Joseph, Lebanon &amp; AGYA member</p> <p>This session looks at technical solutions to tackle the impacts of climate change. We focus on the energy sector and the ways and extent applied renewable energy technologies contribute to climate change mitigation and adaptation. We also explore how a just and participative energy transition may develop.</p> <p><i>3 presentations plus Q&amp;A</i> <i>Open call for AGYA members and external speakers</i></p> <p><b>Presentation 1: Indigenous Peoples Major Group for Sustainable Development - Right Energy Partnership-REP</b></p>

11:30-12:30	<p><b>Parallel Session 2B: Economic Solutions</b> Chair: <b>tbd</b></p> <p>Financing the much-required climate change mitigation projects entails high economic investments and inputs. Discussions about the economic aspects of such challenges especially required in the context of climate injustice. In this session, we want to shed light on the economic side of solution development. What kind of financing mechanisms may enable a just transition and reduce inequalities? What kind of best practice examples exist and what can we learn from them?</p> <p><i>3 presentations plus Q&amp;A</i> <i>Open call for AGYA members and external speakers</i></p>
12:30-13:30	<p><i>Lunch Break</i></p>
13:30-14:30	<p><b>Session 3: Socio-Political Solutions</b> Chair: <b>Dr. Irene Weipert-Fenner</b>, Peace Research Institute Frankfurt, Germany &amp; AGYA member</p> <p>The question of how current socio-technical provisioning systems can be shifted towards low-carbon and just systems must analyze the wide-ranging social, institutional, and cultural shifts. In this session, we look at the social and political aspects of climate change. How is society able to adapt to constantly changing circumstances? What is needed to support communities? To what extent is policy guiding change and where do we need a bottom up approach?</p> <p><i>3 presentations plus Q&amp;A</i> <i>Open call for AGYA members and external speakers</i></p>
14:30-15:00	<p><i>Coffee Break</i></p>
15:00-16:00	<p><b>Session 4: Interdisciplinary Solutions</b> Chair: <b>tbd</b></p> <p>The climate change challenge needs an interdisciplinary solution-finding process. In this session, we explore existing interdisciplinary processes, movements and approaches in order to tackle the impacts of climate change. What kind of dialogue is needed and how can we support interdisciplinary exchange and solution-development?</p> <p><i>3 presentations plus Q&amp;A</i> <i>Open call for AGYA members and external speakers</i></p>
16:00-16:15	<p><b>Wrap-Up and Closing</b> Chair: <b>Dr. Philipp Blechinger</b>, Reiner Lemoine Institut, Germany &amp; AGYA member</p>

**Day 2: Climate Justice**  
**Thursday, 26 November 2020**

9.00-10:00	<p><b>Opening Session</b> Chair: <b>Dr. Philipp Blechinger</b>, Reiner Lemoine Institut, Germany &amp; AGYA member</p> <p><b>Key Note</b> <b>Perspectives on Climate Change, Gender, and Injustice</b> <b>Zakia Soomaroo &amp; Katrin Lammers</b>, Reiner Lemoine Institut and Technical University Berlin, Germany</p> <p><b>Key Note</b> <b>Climate Change Fights in Uganda</b> <b>Vanessa Nakate</b>, Fridays for Future, Uganda (to be confirmed)</p> <p><b>Key Note</b> <b>tbd</b> <b>Dr. Amro Ali</b>, American University Cairo, Egypt &amp; AGYA member, (to be confirmed)</p>
10:00-11:00	<p><b>Session 1:</b> <b>Different Perspectives on Climate Justice</b> Chair: <b>tbd</b></p> <p>Climate change and climate justice are very complex topics, which require a diverse and multi-perspective analysis of global challenges. In this session, we aim to integrate voices around the globe; and their perspective of current and ongoing changes and their strategies and needs to cope with these changing environments.</p> <p><i>3 presentations plus Q&amp;A</i> <i>Open call for AGYA members and external speakers</i></p> <p><b>Presentation 1: Indigenous Peoples Major Group for Sustainable Development</b></p>
11:00-11:30	<p><i>Coffee Break</i></p>
11:30-12:30	<p><b>Session 2:</b> <b>Workshop - Dealing with Climate Depression</b> <b>Psychologists for Future</b> (to be confirmed)</p> <p>Many people working in the field of climate change and activism face frequent climate depression and burn-outs. In this session, we try to explore strategies to cope with climate depression and how to deal with frustration in climate change research and activism.</p>
12:30 – 13:30	<p><i>Lunch Break</i></p>
13:30-16:00	<p><b>Session 3:</b> <b>Parallel Workshops on Climate Justice: How Can We Work on Inclusive Solutions?</b></p>

	<p>5 parallel workshops, further description of the workshops will follow</p> <p><b>Workshop 1: Centre for Environment (CfE), Bosnia and Herzegovina</b> <b>Workshop 2: Indigenous Peoples Major Group for Sustainable Development</b></p>
16:00-16:45	<p><b>Presentation of Workshop Findings, Wrap-Up, and Closing</b> Chair: <b>Dr. Philipp Blechinger</b>, Reiner Lemoine Institut, Germany &amp; AGYA member</p> <p><i>Representatives of each workshop present main findings (each 5 minutes)</i></p>
16:45-17:15	<p><i>Coffee Break</i></p>
17:15-18:00	<p><b>Virtual Field Trip</b></p> <p><i>Video contributions on coal mining and its growing resistance movement in Germany as an example of climate change and climate justice</i></p>

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**Conference Venue**

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