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7TH INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION OF ENVIRONMENTAL LAUREATES



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WELCOME TO FREIBURG



I am delighted and honoured to have been appointed **patron of the 7th International Convention of Environmental Laureates.**

Faced with a politically changing world, taking the world with some severe crisis by surprise, it is imperative to collaborate and to develop strategic and long-term partnerships. The International Convention of Environmental Laureates connects committed people from various fields of work who join forces to create a better future.

Prof. Dr. Klaus Töpfer

Patron International Convention of Environmental Laureates;
Former Director of the Institute for Advanced Sustainability Studies;
Former German Environmental Minister; Former Under Secretary General United Nations



A warm welcome to Freiburg, a city where the terms sustainability, future viability and the quality of living are all at home. We are glad that this unique gathering of environmental laureates offers pupils and students from the Freiburg region the opportunity to exchange views and ideas with the renowned international experts. The young people are the ones who continue the work we started – in the “Green City Freiburg” and all round the globe.

Dr. Dieter Salomon

Mayor City of Freiburg; Board of Trustees, European Environment Foundation



In hosting the International Convention of Environmental Laureates, we aim to support an international and interdisciplinary exchange among leading environmentalists and other committed individuals who shape global environmental policies.

By doing so, a strong network, both personal and virtual, has been set in motion.

Dr. Bernd Dallmann

Founder and Chairman, European Environment Foundation



The Board of Trustees of the European Environment Foundation would like to welcome you to our 7th meeting of environmental laureates in Freiburg. Besides stimulating interactions and spirited discussions we plan to prepare a joint communiqué on the need to ensure a sustainable, healthy and secure food system for the entire world.

Prof. Dr. Eicke R. Weber

Chairman Board of Trustees, European Environment Foundation



7TH INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION OF ENVIRONMENTAL LAUREATES

“Special focus: Ecological FooDprint”

The International Convention of Environmental Laureates, which is hosted by the European Environment Foundation, provides a platform for winners of prestigious international environmental prizes and awards.

Laureates include active environmentalists, journalists and human rights activists, scientists, and entrepreneurs. Above all, they are doers, with one thing in common: They have a vision and goals, and they have found ways of implementing them. Every one of them has made a significant contribution in their field towards environmental protection.

ICEL is the ideal opportunity for building a global network and for mutual learning between the leading players and activists of the worldwide environment movement. With the exchange of experiences amongst each other the laureates become multipliers and creators of ideas and initiatives that can be successfully implemented in other areas around the world.

Furthermore the Convention wants to disseminate ideas, initiatives and visions to young people and the interested public. Therefore it includes meetings and discussions between laureates and upcoming researchers, students and pupils, as well as various public events.

Each year, ICEL has a special topic. In 2018, this is “Ecological FooDprint”.

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Numerous people following the public lectures

Committed speakers on topics that matter



CONVENTION PROGRAMME

THURSDAY, 15 MARCH 2018

18:00 ♦ **Public Opening Ceremony** – Historisches Kaufhaus Freiburg

Welcome

- *Dieter Salomon*; Mayor City of Freiburg
- *Bernd Dallmann*; Chairman European Environment Foundation

Keynotes

- *Klaus Töpfer*; Former Under Secretary General United Nations
The Future we want – the UN we need!
Consequences of the crisis of multilateralism
- *Ernst Ulrich von Weizsäcker*; Co-President Club of Rome
A new enlightenment for the full planet
- *Jennifer Morgan*; Executive Director, Greenpeace International
Our food system is broken



Followed by a **panel discussion**; moderated by *Rainer Griebhammer*,
Board of Trustees, European Environment Foundation

20:00 **Welcome Reception** – Historisches Kaufhaus Freiburg

- ♦ Meet & Greet with savoury seasonal dishes

FRIDAY, 16 MARCH 2018

08:00 ♦ **Laureates' Symposium** – Konzerthaus Freiburg
A forum for knowledge transfer, mutual learning and interdisciplinary exchange

Introduction – Runder Saal

- *Virginia Sonntag-O'Brien*; Board of Trustees, European Environment Foundation

08:15 **WHY DO WE NEED TO CHANGE OUR FOOD SYSTEMS – AND HOW?**
UN Environment Food Workshop – Part I
Conference Room 2-4

- *James Lomax*;
Sustainable Food Systems and Agriculture Programme Management Officer in UN Environment's Economy Division
- *Natascha Kooiman*;
Co-founder and Owner, Smaackmakers Experience, Amsterdam;
Member of Advisory Board of the United Nations' 10YPF Sustainable Food Systems Programme

LAUREATES' PRESENTATIONS
Conference Room 9

- *Indira Dayang Lacerna-Widmann*, Philippines
Conservation of Philippine Cockatoo *Cacatua haematuropygia* and its habitat in Palawan, Philippines
- *Susanne von der Heide*, Nepal
Harvesting of Sea-Buckthorn in Nepal. Income generation through sustainable resource management
- *Ilse Köhler-Roleffson*, India
Minimizing foodprint through the support for pastoralism – Using the Kumbhalgarh Camel Dairy as example
- *Eva Gross*, France
Solutions to human-wildlife conflicts in Asia and Africa

Moderation: *Sigrid Jannsen*; Board of Trustees EEF

08:15

10:00	Short break & Networking		10:00
10:15	<div><div>WHY DO WE NEED TO CHANGE OUR FOOD SYSTEMS – AND HOW? UN Environment Food Workshop – Part II Conference Room 2-4</div><div><ul style="list-style-type: none">James Lomax; Sustainable Food Systems and Agriculture Programme Management Officer in UN Environment’s Economy DivisionNatascha Kooiman; Co-founder and Owner, Smaackmakers Experience, Amsterdam; Member of Advisory Board of the United Nations’ 10YPF Sustainable Food Systems Programme</div></div>	<div><div>LAUREATES’ PRESENTATIONS Conference Room 9</div><div><ul style="list-style-type: none">Mark Prain, New Zealand Getting it done! Leading beyond the Eco/Echo ChamberJunichi Shimizu, Japan An invitation to the questionnaire of Environmental Doomsday ClockMarion Hammerl, Germany Food and biodiversityThomas Scheurer, Switzerland Connecting food, biodiversity and cultural landscapes</div><div>Moderation: Sigrid Jannsen; Board of Trustees EEF</div></div>	10:15
12:00	Lunch break - parallel EEF Board of Trustees Meeting / Part I – K8		12:00
13:00	<div><div>LAUREATES’ PRESENTATIONS Conference Room 2-4</div><div><ul style="list-style-type: none">Purnima Devi Barman, India Protecting Greater Adjutant in Assam, India: Community Conservation, research and forming “Hargila Army”Mohammed Rezwan, Bangladesh Farmer’s Floating Farming and Schools - Helping landless people to live with rising watersNyanda Ashililya, Tanzania Promotion of leguminous and tuber crops in Mwanza, TanzaniaNoemi Stadler-Kaulich, Bolivia Much food - little footprintBohdan Prots, Ukraine Carpathian Heritage of Ukraine: competitive advantage of green developmentSamson Tsegaye, Ethiopia Lighting Students Home</div><div>Moderation: Christine v. Weizsäcker; President Ecoropa</div></div>	<div><div>LAUREATES’ PRESENTATIONS Conference Room 9</div><div><ul style="list-style-type: none">Joachim C. Wünnig, Germany Reducing food waste at a hotelGülcan Nitsch, Germany The Turkish Community and its consumer behaviorSusanne Heisse, Guatemala Better nutrition, less contamination and a strong local marketLuciano Iribarren and Horacio Sirolli, Argentina Environmental remediation and social participation in Argentina. Paraná Delta Wetlands ObservatoryAhmet Lokurlu, Germany Entropification of the food industry through a paradigm shift from conventional energy resources towards renewable, high temperature solar-based applicationsKaren Aghababyan, Armenia Nature Tourism for Nature Protection in Armenia</div><div>Moderation: Rainer Grießhammer; Board of Trustees EEF</div></div> <div><div>13:30 SIDE Event:</div><div>GREEN PRODUCTION PANEL</div><div>Conference Room 5-7</div></div>	13:00
15:30	Short break & Networking		15:30

15:45 – ca. 17:00	◆ Environmental Laureates' Call Moderation: <i>Eicke R. Weber</i> ; Chairman Board of Trustees, European Environment Foundation
18:30	Laureates' Dinner – Weinschlösschen Freiburg
20:00	◆ Public Evenig Lecture – Konzerthaus Freiburg Foyer Introduction <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Eicke R. Weber</i>; Chairman Board of Trustees, European Environment Foundation Keynotes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Mathis Wackernagel</i>; CEO Global Footprint Network One-planet prosperity: what does it take? ● <i>Kirsten Lund-Jurgensen</i>; Executive Vice President Pfizer; President Pfizer Global Supply Pfizer's Green Journey



Mathis Wackernagel

SATURDAY, 17 MARCH 2018

09:30	◆ Young Talents Day – UWC Robert Bosch College Freiburg Laureates meet young researchers, pupils and students <i>in cooperation with:</i> UWC Robert Bosch College Freiburg Regierungspräsidium Freiburg University of Freiburg
	Opening <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Laurence Nodder</i>; Principal, UWC Robert Bosch College Freiburg ● <i>Pupils</i> from UWC Robert Bosch College Freiburg
10:00	Impulse Lectures (parallel) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Rupert Ebner</i>; Treasurer and board member, Slow Food Germany Eating is a political act – from actions against food waste to a better food system ● <i>Deborah Klein Walker</i>; Past President, American Public Health Association Addressing the global obesity crisis ● <i>Stephan Schindele</i>; Research Project Agrophotovoltaics, Fraunhofer Institute for Energy Systems Agrophotovoltaics: Power and Food. Combining PV with Crop Harvesting ● <i>Oana Elena Stürz</i>; Project Manager Engineering, Pfizer The Big Bang Energy Scout Theory
10:45	Round-Tables and Stakeholder Role Plays for environmental conflicts Prepared by young researchers and students of the University of Freiburg



13:15	Lunch break
14:15	Closing with group picture
15:15 –ca. 16:30	Communicative walk
18:00	<p>◆ GREEN DINNER with SARAH WIENER – Mensa Rempartstraße</p> <p>Apéro</p> <p>3-COURSE MENU Following a recipe of Sarah Wiener</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Sarah Wiener</i>; Chef, author and founder of the Sarah Wiener Foundation ● <i>Carsten Höting</i>; Chef de Cuisine, Mensa Rempartstraße <p>talks with: ● <i>Virginia Sonntag-O'Brien</i>; Board of Trustees EEF</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Hans-Albert Stechl</i>; Food critic, columnist, cookbook author <p>GET-TOGETHER <i>with drinks and information booths of the Freiburg food community</i></p>



Sarah Wiener

SUNDAY, 18 MARCH 2018

08:30	<p>◆ Farewell Breakfast – Konzerthaus Freiburg Foyer</p> <p>Closing remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Bernd Dallmann</i>; Chairman, European Environment Foundation
10:00	EEF Board of Trustees Meeting / Part II – Konzerthaus Freiburg K8

A sustainable Convention:

- The **power supply** of the venue consists of **green energy**
- The catering company “Genusswerkstatt” is a **certified organic caterer** and **uses mainly regional and seasonal products**
- Coffee & tea are **fair trade certified**
- We reduce transportation by choosing **venues and hotels which are accessible by foot**
- Not only to provide more information about the participants but also **to avoid unnecessary use of paper**, participants and their work are displayed on the online platform www.environetwork.eu

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SPEAKERS OF THE 7TH INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION



Rupert Ebner,
Germany

Treasurer and board member,
Slow Food Germany

Over the past 20 years, Rupert Ebner has been active as leader of the local group Slow Food Convivium Munich and since 2010 he is treasurer and board member of Slow Food Germany. Ebner is veterinarian and part of the Green party. He is responsible for the environmental department in Ingolstadt. As a specialist for livestock and representative of Slow Food Germany, he is a renowned speaker and interview partner for the German media. He breeds one of German Ark of Taste passengers: the Bavarian "Murnau-Werdenfelser" cattle.



Deborah Klein Walker,
United States

Past President, American Public
Health Association

Deborah Klein Walker is an American honored public health leader and behavioral science researcher with a 40 years career. She is immediate president of the Global Alliance for Behavioral Health and Social Justice, former president of the American Public Health Association and the Association of Maternal and Child Health, among others. She has specialized in maternal and child health, children with special health care needs, chronic disease prevention, disabilities, population health, early childhood systems and adolescent health. She is author of books, numerous articles and op-eds. @dkwpublichealth



James Lomax,
United Kingdom

Sustainable Food Systems and Agri-
culture Programme Management Officer
in UN Environment's Economy Division

James Lomax is a tropical agriculturalist by training (MSc Reading University) and the Sustainable Food Systems and Agriculture Programme Management Officer in UN Environment's Economy Division, since 2009. He leads work on mainstreaming sustainable consumption and production practices from 'farm to flush' in the agriculture and food sector. He has pioneered the idea of systems thinking in the food and agriculture sector where nutrition, waste, environmental externalities and livelihoods must be considered.



Jennifer Morgan,
United States

Executive Director
Greenpeace International

Jennifer Morgan, together with Bunny Mc Diarmid, became Executive Director of Greenpeace International as of 4 April 2016. She was the former Global Director of the Climate Program at the World Resources Institute, Global Climate Change Director at Third Generation Environmentalism (E3G), and led the Global Climate Change Program of Worldwide Fund for Nature (WWF). Morgan holds a B.A. from Indiana University in Political Science and Germanic Studies, and a Master of Arts from the School of International Service at The American University in International Affairs. She is a member of Germany's Council for Sustainable Development and is based in Amsterdam, Netherlands.



Carsten Höting,
Germany

Chef de cuisine, Mensa Rempartstraße

Carsten Höting is Chef de cuisine and manager of the canteen „Mensa Rempartstraße“, one of the biggest canteens for colleges in Freiburg. He is responsible for about 3,000 meals to be served per day. He is a certified restaurateur and business manager in the hotel sector and a chef. Before he joined Mensa Rempartstraße he was manager of several canteen kitchens.



Natascha Kooiman,
Netherlands

Co-founder and Owner, Smaackmakers
Experience, Amsterdam;
Member of Advisory Board of the
United Nations' 10YPF Sustainable
Food Systems Programme

Natascha Kooiman is a 'new economy & sustainability rebel' with a foodish mission. She sees food as one of the leverages to achieve a more sustainable world. With her start-up Smaackmakers, she aims on accelerating a more sustainable food system and food pattern, by inspiring people, companies and government. She stresses the urgency of radical change and emphasizes the importance of a more plant based diet. She was 'Sustainable Young 100' in the Netherlands three times in a row; one of the Dutch Food 100; and awarded two times with the title Viva400 young influential woman. smaackmakers.nl



Kirsten Lund-Jurgensen,
Germany

Executive Vice President Pfizer;
President Pfizer Global Supply

Kirsten Lund-Jurgensen is a pharmacist from Kiel University and holds a Ph.D. in Pharmaceutical Biology from Freiburg University. She is the Executive Vice President and President of Pfizer Global Supply (PGS) and responsible for Pfizer's internal and external manufacturing and supply network. Throughout her 30-year pharmaceutical industry career, she has held a variety of global leadership roles in manufacturing and supply. She is a member of the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of the U.S. National Association of Manufacturers, on the Board of the Pfizer Foundation, and the Executive Sponsor for Pfizer's Environmental Sustainability Program.



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*Stephan Schindele,
Germany*

Research Project Agrophotovoltaics,
Fraunhofer Institute for Energy
Systems Freiburg

Stephan Schindele works at Fraunhofer Institute for Solar Energy Systems – ISE since 2010. He coordinates the project Agrophotovoltaics – Resource Efficient Land

Use (APV-RESOLA) and is doing his PhD at the Institute for Political Science, University of Tübingen, on the Innovation Processes of Agrophotovoltaics and their Political Steering. He is also a lecturer on Energy Policy at the Faculty of Technology, Reutlingen University.



*Klaus Töpfer,
Germany*

Former Under Secretary General
United Nations

Klaus Töpfer has been the patron of the International Convention of Environmental Laureates since it was first held in 2012. Töpfer is the former Director of the Institute for Advanced Sustainability Studies

(IASS) based in Potsdam. He is also the former Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and was German Federal Minister for the Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety from 1987 to 1994. He is one of the leading and most renowned environmental experts in Germany and worldwide.



*Mathis Wackernagel,
Switzerland*

CEO Global Footprint Network

Mathis Wackernagel is the co-creator of the Ecological Footprint and CEO of Global Footprint Network. This international think-tank focuses on bringing about a sustainable human economy in which all can thrive within the means of one planet.

Wackernagel's awards include the 2015 IAIA Global Environment Award, the 2012 Blue Planet Prize, the 2012 Binding-Prize for Nature Conservation, the 2012 Kenneth E. Boulding Memorial Award, the 2011 Zayed International Prize for the Environment, an honorary doctorate from the University of Berne, and a Skoll Award for Social Entrepreneurship.



*Oana Elena Stürz,
Germany*

Project Manager Engineering, Pfizer

Oana Elena Stürz joined Pfizer in 2015 as a project Manager. She is responsible for engineering projects related to building services, production extension and rebuilding. She is also technical representative for quality affairs. In 2016 she obtained

the title of Energy Manager after passing the examination for the “Energiemanagement-Beauftragter (EnMB) Tüv Süd”. She has passion for energy-efficient technologies, environmental topics and sustainability. She studied Energy Conversion and Management and got the degree Master of Science in Chemical and Process Engineering.



*Ernst Ulrich von Weizsäcker,
Germany*

Co-President Club of Rome

Ernst Ulrich von Weizsäcker is Co-President of the Club of Rome. He was Co-Chair of the International Resource Panel. Von Weizsäcker was founding president of the Wuppertal Institute for Climate, Environment and Energy. He worked as professor

for Biology; also he was the founding president of the University of Kassel. Von Weizsäcker has been a member of the German Parliament, SPD for seven years. He was Chairman of the Bundestag Study Commission on Economic Globalisation.



*Sarah Wiener,
Austria*

Chef, author and founder of the
Sarah Wiener Foundation

Sarah Wiener is an Austrian (TV-) chef and sustainability icon who advocates for preserving natural resources and an ethical and ecological awareness regarding nutrition. She runs a successful catering company,

a restaurant with exclusively regional suppliers, and an organic wood stove bakery. She believes in closing the circle from field to plate, and owns together with partners an organic farm near Berlin. Wiener campaigns for several causes (Cradle to Cradle and ambassador for biological diversity) and with her Sarah Wiener Foundation, she aims to inspire children to eat good and versatile foods.



LAUREATES AND REPRESENTATIVES OF ENVIRONMENTAL AWARDS



◆ **Karen Aghababyan**
Armenia
Assistant Professor, American University of Armenia
Whitley Awards

Karen Aghababyan has completed his PhD in Biology in 2001. He was working in the Institute of Zoology of Armenian NAS until 2003, and works in the environmental research center of American University of Armenia up to present. He is the National Coordinator in Armenia of "European Breeding Bird Atlas 2", an expert of two national foundations and IUCN SSC. He has received 20 grants, one scholarship, and one award. He has published over 50 papers and is a co-author of two books.



◆ **Nyanda Ashililya**
Tanzania
Programme Coordinator, Mwanza Rural Housing Programme
The Ashden Awards

Nyanda Ashililya lives and works in the Misungwi District of the Mwanza Region of Tanzania. She is the Director of the Mwanza Rural Housing Program (NGO). She is a planner and strategist specialized in rural development and always believing in sustainability. She owns a M.A. degree in Environmental Planning from the University of Nottingham, England. She received the 1st African ASHDEN Award for her projects in the field of alternative energy. Her work was also recognized by UN HABITAT in 2007.



◆ **Purnima Devi Barman**
India
Wildlife biologist, Aaranyak NGO
Whitley Awards

Purnima Devi Barman, also known as "Hargila baido"/Stork sister among her colleagues, is a wildlife biologist in Aaranyak and a crusader for conservation of the highly endangered Greater Adjutant Stork (*Leptoptilos dubius*). She has been rewarded many times for her initiatives and is a member of the global women in Nature Network. Her work also includes giving biodiversity classes in local village schools, as well as empowering community women.



◆ **Dipal Chandra Barua**
Bangladesh
Founder / Chairman, Bright Green Energy Foundation
Zayed Future Energy Prize

Dipal Chandra Barua was the Founding Managing Director of Grameen Shakti and the Co-Founder & Former Deputy Managing Director of Grameen Bank. Back in 1996, he has introduced an innovative financial model which has made Solar Home System affordable to the rural people at the price of kerosene. He is replacing currently used traditional hazardous diesel pumps with solar powered irrigation pumps in the remote areas of Bangladesh, which reduces dependency on weather and grid electricity.



◆ **Heide Bergmann**
Germany
Co-founder, Oekostation Freiburg
Trophée de femmes

Heide Bergmann is an educator and gardener based in Freiburg where she co-founded the Oekostation Freiburg in 1986. The Oekostation is an educational center for sustainable development which is supported by the BUND (Friends of the Earth Germany). In 1987 she initiated the Green Classroom for schools and kindergartens. In addition, she teaches workshops, gives lectures and writes books on organic gardening, on how to grow an herb garden and on gardening with children.



◆ **Claus Biegert**
Germany
Presenter,
The Nuclear-Free Future Award

Claus Biegert is a freelance writer, radio journalist, film maker and book author. Since 1973 he has intensive collaborations with Native Americans in Canada and the United States. Biegert is lecturer at the German School of Journalism, Advisory Board Member of the Society for Threatened Peoples, Founder of the World Uranium Hearing (1992) and since 1998 director of the Nuclear-Free Future Award.



◆ **Erika Blank**
Germany
Presenter,
Environmental Media Prize

Erika Blank works since 30 years at Environmental Action Germany DUH for projects that can be supported by the Hand in Hand-Fund. She is also in charge of the arrangement of the DUH (Deutschen Umwelt-hilfe) Environmental Media Prize since 1988.



◆ **Oleg Bodrov**
Russia
Russian Federation Chair, Green World
The Nuclear-Free Future Award

Oleg Bodrov is an engineer-physicist and environmentalist. From 1980 till 1993 he was head of a group of the Regional Ecological Laboratory of the Khlopin Radium Institute, St. Petersburg. Since 2005 he has been one of the initiators and head of an international NGO project for the promotion of safe decommissioning of the Russian nuclear power plants and final disposal of the radioactive waste, spending nuclear fuel on the basis of the best international practice.



◆ **Hildegard Breiner**
Austria
President, Nature Conservation
Vorarlberg / Vice-Pres. N.C. Austria
**The Nuclear-Free Future
Award**

Hildegard Breiner is co-founder of the Austrian and Austrian-Swiss / Austrian-German networks against nuclear power. She is working for renewable energies, against fracking and in relation to nature conservation.



◆ **Alberto Campos**
Brazil
Director, Aquasis NGO
Frontiers of Knowledge Awards

Alberto Campos' goal is to conserve endangered species and habitats in Brazil, so that future generations may still have the natural ingredients and recipes to restore and maintain vital ecosystem services. He received an award for his engagement and work with manatees.



◆ **Clifford Edevbie**
Nigeria
Founder, Clean Climate and
Environment Campaign
Initiative

Clifford Edevbie is an environmentalist, human right activist, the founder and CEO of Clean Climate And Environment Campaign Initiative based in Lagos, Nigeria. His organization aims to promote care for the environment, including quality and prompt health care delivery, through education and awareness programmes, and also to support the enactment of an actionable enforcing.



◆ **Sven Egenter**
Germany
Executive Director klimafak-
ten.de/Clean Energy Wire CLEW
Environmental Media Prize

Sven Egenter is Executive Director of klimafakten.de, the leading German-language online resource on climate communications. His team turns the complex findings of climate research in easy-to-understand reports and explains implications for all parts of the economy and society. The Clean Energy Wire CLEW reports on the German Energiewende and provides support and a network for journalists covering the global energy transition.



◆ **Barbara Ehringhaus**
Switzerland
President, ProMONT-BLANC
Trophée de Femmes

Barbara Ehringhaus served as consultant for environmental education and programmes for the World Scout Bureau, for WWF Switzerland and WWF International. During the 90's she set up the internship for young indigenous leaders with the UN Human Rights Committee liaising them with environmental and development organizations. Since 1997 she presides a tri-national umbrella NGO for alpine protection in cooperation with the Alpine Convention, IUCN, UNESCO, CIPRA and the Mountain Partnership.



◆ **Sabine Fesenmayr**
Germany
Presenter,
Trophée de Femmes

Sabine Fesenmayr is head of the Yves Rocher Foundation in Germany since 1994. She is responsible for the implementation of all its programs in Germany. She has been responsible for the Foundation programme of the women's award Trophée de Femmes in Germany since 2003, which has awarded 45 women and 45 national and international projects. She worked for the Yves Rocher Foundation reforestation programme "Plant for the planet: 100 million trees". She is head of Public Relations Yves Rocher & Yves Rocher Foundation in Central Europe (study of journalism, study of economic science).



◆ **Claude Fromageot**
France
Presenter,
Trophée de Femmes

Claude Fromageot is Sustainable Development Director at the Yves Rocher Group and Director of the Yves Rocher Foundation in Paris. He is also involved in the scientific committee for the graduate school of the Museum National d'Histoire Naturelle, and is a member of the French Foundation for Biodiversity Strategic Committee. In the past he was also in charge of the Research & Development Department at the Groupe Rocher.



◆ **Johann Georg Goldammer**
Germany
Director, Global Fire Monitoring
Center (GFMC) Max Planck
Institute for Chemistry /
Freiburg University
**Zayed International Prize for
the Environment**

Johann G. Goldammer is Director of the Global Fire Monitoring Center of the Max Planck Institute for Chemistry and the Freiburg University. As coordinator of the UNISDR Wildland Fire Advisory Group and the Global Wildland Fire Network he promotes their mission to reduce the negative impacts of fires on the environment and humanity, and to advance the application of the ecologically benign role of fire.

LAUREATES AND REPRESENTATIVES OF ENVIRONMENTAL AWARDS



◆ **Rainer Grießhammer**
Germany
Business Director, Institute for Applied Ecology / Board of Trustees, European Environment Foundation
German Environmental Award

Rainer Grießhammer is a chemist, member of the executive board of the Institute of Applied Ecology in Freiburg and director of the future heritage foundation (Stiftung Zukunftserbe). He is specialized in product development and assessment. He founded the product information campaign EcoTopTen and developed the PROSA, Product Sustainability Assessment method. He is also a Nuclear-Free Future Award Jury member.



◆ **Eva Gross**
Germany
Program Leader of Awely
Trophée de femmes

Eva Gross focuses her work on the interaction between people and threatened wildlife species, especially human-wildlife conflicts (HWC). Within her work for the French NGO Awely, Wildlife and People she studied HWCs in African and Asian countries. She developed an assessment scheme suitable for all terrestrial ecosystems, therefore new ways for the protection of crops and villages against herbivores, just like educational tools, were developed.



◆ **Goran Gusic**
Croatia
Managing Director, Lonjsko Polje Nature Park
EuroNatur Award

Goran Gusic is Managing Director at Lonjsko Polje Nature Park Public Institution and graduated from the Forestry Faculty of Ludwig-Maximilians University in Munich. He moved to Croatia despite of the war, and headed Lonjsko Polje Nature Park as its first director. He is a member of WCPA, chairman of the Croatian UNESCO MAB Committee and STRP National Focal Point of the Ramsar Convention. Gusic received the EuroNatur-Award 2011 for his achievements in protecting European natural heritage.



◆ **Mathilde Halla**
Austria
SENECA - Seniorennetzwerk contra Atom
The Nuclear-Free Future Award

Mathilde Halla was a school-teacher for mentally challenged children. In 1973 she joined a small activist organization in Austria and started campaigning against the nuclear power plant Zwentendorf. She founded an Upper Austrian network against nuclear power and was vice president of the Austrian network AAI (Anti Atom International). Halla was awarded with many national and international prizes and coordinated demonstrations, meetings and boycotts.



◆ **Marion Hammerl**
Germany
President, Lake Constance Foundation, Global Nature Fund
Bruno H. Schubert Prize

Marion Hammerl is economist and co-founder of various Spanish environmental organizations. She is specialized in sustainable tourism development, land use planning, sustainability management for local authorities, environmental management systems, management of water resources, business and biodiversity topics. She's received many awards for her work and projects in the field.



◆ **Françoise Stephan-Heintzé**
Presenter,
Trophée de Femmes

Françoise Stephan-Heintzé is project manager at the Yves Rocher Foundation award "Trophée de Femmes". For more than 30 years, she has worked at the Rocher Group in different positions, such as cosmetic formulation, product manager, press and public relations, among others.



◆ **Susanne Heisse**
Guatemala
Coordinator, Pura Vida Atitlan
Trophée de Femmes

Susanne Heisse is an environmental activist who lives since almost 30 years amongst the Maya indigenous people of the Highlands of Guatemala. She coordinates the Pura Vida Atitlan Movement, focused on consciousness shifts, environmental/nutritional education and action in the 500 public schools around Lake Atitlan. She is the inventor of the eco brick and its construction system which transforms plastic waste into construction materials.



◆ **Peter Hennicke**
Germany
Former President, Wuppertal Institute for Climate, Environment and Energy
German Environmental Award

Peter Hennicke is Co-Chair of the German-Japanese Energy Transition Council (GJETC) and member of the Management Board of the European Environment Agency Advisory board "Environmental Technology" of the Federal Ministry for Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety. He is also a part of the Climate Advisory Board of Hamburg and the Advisory Board of the Association of German Scientists (VDW). He is juror of the "German Environmental Award" of the German Federal Environmental Foundation (DBU), and active member of many other organizations.



◆ **Cornelia Hesse-Honegger**
Switzerland
Artist
The Nuclear-Free Future Award

Cornelia Hesse-Honegger worked as scientific illustrator for the University of Zürich where she drew illustrations of *Drosophila* flies, wild and mutated forms. After the accident of Chernobyl, she began her own field studies in Chernobyl fallout areas: in Sweden and Switzerland, and since then in self-financed field studies around nuclear installations in Europe and USA. Her studies show that widely accepted ionizing radiation emissions of nuclear plants cause terrible deformation to true bugs and other insects.



◆ **Michaela Hogenboom Kindel**
Liechtenstein
Facilitator of change towards sustainability, Symbiose
Binding-Prize for the Protection of Nature and Environment

Michaela Hogenboom Kindel's mission is to foster a connected and sustainable society in Liechtenstein and beyond. As co-founder of Symbiose she puts this mission in practice through consulting and community projects. She has been the Dutch Youth Representative on Sustainable Development to the UN and she worked as a Process Coordinator for Sustainable Development at HAN University of Applied Science, Netherlands.



◆ **Katja Hugenschmidt**
Switzerland
President, Oekostadt Basel Association
Trophée de Femmes

Katja Hugenschmidt works as a teacher. She is engaged in various projects and is since 20 years President of Oekostadt Basel. She focuses her work on political networking and projects in environment and nature in the city. Hugenschmidt is a leisure gardener and does a lot of joint gardening with other dedicated gardeners, for example Baumpatenschaften (tree sponsorships).



◆ **Luciano Iribarren**
Argentina
Biologist and science teacher
UNESCO Sultan Qaboos Prize for Environmental Preservation

Luciano Iribarren is a biologist, science teacher and environmental education researcher. He focuses most of his work in the Paraná Delta Biosphere Reserve. With his group, he develops outreach projects to help islanders to start sustainable native plant production and riparian forest restoration. He is involved in education and teacher training for the protection and ecological restoration of Paraná Delta wetlands and native forests.



◆ **Shri Vijay Jardhari**
India
Farmer & Chief Activist, Beej Bachao Andolan
Indira Gandhi Environment Award

Shri Vijay Jardhari is a small farmer from the Central Himalayan state of Uttarakhand in India. He was part of the Chipko Movement of the 1970s which was inspired by the Gandhian philosophy and underlined the ecological values. Later he initiated the Beej Bachao Andolan (Save Seeds Movement), a non-formal collective of farmers and activists seeking to conserve and preserve local and traditional agricultural principles and practices.



◆ **Kristin Kaschner**
Germany
Research Associate / Lecturer
Zayed International Prize for the Environment

Kristin Kaschner is a marine biologist, member of the IUCN Cetacean Specialist Group & Marine Mammal Task Force on Protected Areas. She has worked for UN FAO, UNEP and WCMC providing advice about global marine conservation issues and contributed to the 2005 Millennium Ecosystem Assessment and the UN Ocean Assessment. With her students at the United World Robert Bosch College in Freiburg she is trying to initiate a variety of grass root sustainability projects around the world.



◆ **Hilton Kelley**
United States
Founder / Director, Community In-power & Development Association Inc.
The Goldman Environmental Prize

Hilton Kelley seeks to help undeserved disenfranchised communities located in the shadows of oil refineries and chemical plants. He supports the people to rid themselves of dangerous pollution in their air, water and land and to rebuild their communities in a more sustainable fashion.



◆ **Elias Kindel**
Liechtenstein
Founder / project leader, Symbiose Association / Dreiklang general partnership
Binding-Prize for the Protection of Nature and Environment

Elias Kindel's focus lies on supporting the transition towards a connected and sustainable society in Liechtenstein and beyond with different projects. His heart beats for education towards unfolding potential of children. In the past he studied Environmental Engineering on a Bachelor's level before doing the Master's study in Strategic Leadership towards Sustainability. Kindel founded two organizations to foster change within companies and society.

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- ◆ **Ilse Köhler-Rollefson**
India
Advisor & Coordinator, League for Pastoral Peoples (LPP)
Rolex Awards

Ilse Köhler-Rollefson is a researcher, author and activist supporting sustainable livestock keeping and land use by nomadic pastoralists. She received the Women Power Award for more than 25 years of engagement and research with the Raika pastoralist community in India.



- ◆ **Nadezda Kutepova**
Russia
President, NGO The Planet of Hopes
The Nuclear-Free Future Award

Nadezda Kutepova is a human rights defender and sociologist. She is working as an advocat of nuclear victims of the secret nuclear accident in 1957 in Mayak, Russia, and the dumping of nuclear waste into the Techa river. She won more than 70 cases, including two in the Equality and Human Rights Commission. She was accused of spionage in Russia because of her work and is now living as a political refugee in France.



- ◆ **Indira Lacerna-Widmann**
Philippines
CEO, Katala Foundation
Whitley Awards

Indira Lacerna-Widmann leaded the education campaigns and material development of the Philippine-German Bilateral Environmental Program for eight years. She is Director and Manager of the Philippine Cockatoo Conservation Programme (PCCP) that aims to save the Philippine Cockatoo from extinction. Her scope as a director covers currently four sites in Palawan with engaged local partners.



- ◆ **Ahmet Lokurlu**
Germany
CEO, SOLITERM Group
TIME Magazine / Heroes of the Environment

Ahmet Lokurlu is a researcher, philosopher and entrepreneur. He developed a system to intrude solar energy directly into cooling and founded a outsource company of the Research Centre Jülich that offers worldwide unique solutions in the field of "Solar Cooling".



- ◆ **David Lowry**
United Kingdom
Senior research fellow, Institute for Resource and Security Studies, USA
The Nuclear-Free Future Award

David Lowry is an independent research consultant with specialist knowledge of UK and EU nuclear & environment policy. He was a member of the UK Energy Secretary's Geological Disposal Implementation Board from 2012-2014. In 2014 he wrote a briefing for the World Institute for Nuclear Security (WINS) in Vienna on the security of dry storage of spent nuclear fuel (SNF); in 2016 he has prepared a briefing on Nuclear Insecurities in the UK. He is currently a senior research fellow at the Institute for Resource and Security Studies in Cambridge, Massachusetts, USA.



- ◆ **Marie-Luise Marjan**
Germany
Founder, Marie-Luise Marjan Foundation
B.A.U.M. Umweltpreis

For 25 years, the actress and founder Marie-Luise Marjan supports children worldwide. On her 70th birthday she founded the Marie-Luise Marjan foundation under the roof of the foundation "Stiftung Hilfe mit Plan" in 2010. With its interest she funds projects by Plan International. For example, she supports scholarships in the north of Thailand, a project against child marriage in Bangladesh and a health project in Laos.



- ◆ **Charles Mathews**
China
Strategic Advisor, JUCCCE (Joint US-China Collaboration on Clean Energy)

Charles Mathews is the project director of the sustainable consumption programme at JUCCCE that helps with the greening of China. The Chinese Dream seeks to reimagine prosperity and reshape consumerism by catalyzing a new aspirational lifestyle that is innately sustainable for the emergent middle class in China. He is also a director of the UK-based charity "Suchen" (Sustainable Chinese Entrepreneurship) and other initiatives in promotion of UK-China relations.



- ◆ **Margret Mauricia Nambatya**
Uganda
Country Manager, Haileybury Youth Trust Support Programme
The Ashden Awards

Mauricia Nambatya is a Civil Engineer with a First Class Bachelor's degree from Makerere University, Kampala and an MPhil in Engineering for Sustainable Development from the University of Cambridge. She is Country Manager of Haileybury Youth Trust in Uganda. She manages the Trust's operations and leads an on-job training of formerly unemployed young people in Uganda to build sustainable buildings using bricks made from compressed earth.



◆ **René Ngongo**
Congo
President, OCEAN
Right Livelihood Award

René Ngongo founded "l'Organisation Congolaise des Ecologistes et Amis de la Nature" (OCEAN) and became the national coordinator. He is also the Vice President of this NGO. He worked for the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) and the Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (EITI). From 2008 to 2011, Ngongo worked for Greenpeace to build up the new Greenpeace DRC office.



◆ **Ramesh Kumar Nibhoria**
India
Managing Director, Nishant Bioenergy Consultancy
The Ashden Awards

Ramesh Kumar Nibhoria is a specialist in Mechanical Engineering from the Chandigarh College of Engineering and Technology, Chandigarh, India (1987). He is both alumni of Global Social Benefiting Incubator 2007 and of GSBI-Accelerator 2013, University of Santa Clara, California, USA. Nibhoria is designer of several Biomass to Energy equipments for cooking and biomass processing. He's specialized in biomass pellet plants and pellet fuelled cook stoves and burners.



◆ **Gülcan Nitsch**
Germany
Director, Yeşil Çember Ecological Intercultural GmbH
Trophée de Femmes

Gülcan Nitsch, a certified biologist, has been mobilizing people with a migration background for the protection of the environment and nature for over 10 years with her organization Yeşil Çember (Turkish for "Green Circle"). Her work focuses on the environmental education of Turkish-speaking people. Her core competencies include the development of low-threshold and culture-sensitive education programs. For her achievements, she received the Federal Merit Order of the Federal Republic of Germany.



◆ **Caleb Ofori Boateng**
Ghana
Founder & Team Leader, Herp Conservation
Future for Nature Award

Caleb Ofori Boateng is the founder and director of Herp Conservation Ghana (Herp-Ghana) – West Africa's first amphibian and reptile conservation society. He leads various conservation initiatives including habitat protection for amphibians, habitat restoration and behavior change education. He is also a Research Scientist at the Forestry Research Institute of Ghana. He has a PhD in Wildlife Management and a BSc. degree in Natural Resources Management.

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◆ **Suraj Wahab Ologburo**
Ghana
CEO, Toyola Energy
The Ashden Awards

Suraj Wahab Ologburo is responsible for Toyola Energy and won various awards for producing and selling charcoal stoves to low income and underserved population in West African countries. Toyola Energy reduces greenhouse gas emissions by disseminating its fuel-efficient stoves, that are locally manufactured using mainly local raw materials thereby providing much-needed jobs.



◆ **Balgis Osman Elasha**
Sudan
Climate change expert, African Development Bank
Champions of the Earth Award

Balgis Osman Elasha holds a PhD in Forestry Science, Master in Environmental Science and a Bachelor of Science. She has more than 17 years experience in different climate change issues with special focus on vulnerability and adaptation assessment related to African countries and the Middle East.



◆ **Marion Pancur**
Germany
Presenter,
The Nuclear-Free Future Award

Marion Pancur is managing director of the Nuclear-Free Future Award Foundation (NFFA), a nonprofit organization based in Munich. Since 1998 the Nuclear-Free Future Award honors people worldwide who create a world free of nuclear power and nuclear weapons. The central message: Leave the uranium in the ground! She also works for the City of Munich. She is responsible for public relations regarding unaccompanied underaged refugees.



◆ **Mark Prain**
New Zealand
Presenter,
Hillary Institute of International Leadership

Mark Prain has spent 15 years working in New Zealand and the USA on Sustainable Leadership. After five years with Greenpeace, he became Executive Director of not for profit Sustainable Cities and then of the Redesigning Resources Business Leadership Group. He is the author of two books on sustainable best practice. He is currently Executive Director of the Hillary Institute of International Leadership, and Director of Maven Ltd., a strategic consultancy focused on social entrepreneurship based in NZ.



◆ **Bohdan Prots**
Ukraine
Conservation Coordinator, WWF Danube-Carpathian Programme and National Academy of Sciences
Whitley Awards

Bohdan Prots is an environmental policy, legislation, and protected area management expert. He has 24 years of conservation management and extensive research study experience on biodiversity issues in Ukraine and other countries of Europe and Asia. He is a biodiversity expert on floodplain ecology, invasive and rare species and habitat types. Prots wrote over 90 publications including 13 books.



◆ **Hanitra Markolf Rakotonirina**
Madagascar
Project Manager, Madagascar Conservation Program, Chances for Nature e.V.
Trophée de Femmes

Hanitra Rakotonirina is a biologist and she leads a conservation programme working in Madagascar for the NGO Chances for Nature in Göttingen, Germany. Her duties include the management and development of conservation projects, specifically in the area of environmental education and awareness for sustainable livelihoods. Within the framework of these projects she developed and created different videos, games and posters to raise awareness for Madagascar's biodiversity in rural populations on the island.



◆ **Denise Marçal Rambaldi**
Brazil
Director of Biodiversity and Forest, Rio de Janeiro State Government
Bruno H. Schubert Prize

Denise Rambaldi is a forest engineer, lawyer and holds a Master of Environmental Science. She worked with the golden lion tamarin and made an important contribution to the creation of the Golden Lion Tamarin Association. In 2011 Rambaldi took a position at the Environmental Institute of the Rio de Janeiro State Govern INEA, and in 2014 she assumed the Office of Biodiversity and Forests of the State Secretariat for the Environment. She won the National Geographic/Buffer Award for Leadership in Latin American Conservation (2009).



◆ **Abul Hasanat Mohammed Rezwan**
Bangladesh
Founder / Executive Director, Shidhulai Swanirvar Sangstha
The Ashden Awards

Mohammed Rezwan is Founding Executive Director of Shidhulai Swanirvar Sangstha and invented the “floating education system” to ensure access to year round and quality education in flood-prone regions. Now floating schools are in operation in eight countries. Rezwan served on international advisory committees dealing with education, technology, and environment. He regularly presents at global conferences on his innovations, climate change, green energy, and education.



◆ **Mozghan Savabieasfahani**
United States
Environmental toxicologist,
University of Michigan
The Rachel Carson Prize

Mozghan Savabieasfahani works intensively to improve public awareness on the devastating effects of war on the environment and on public health. In particular she has brought public attention to the increase in levels of birth defects in Iraq and how these defects can be associated with chemical contamination during the 2003 war. She is a dedicated scientist who has published extensively in scientific journals, within the field of environmental toxicology.



◆ **Thomas Scheurer**
Switzerland
Managing Director, National
Park Scientific Board
Binding-Prize for the Protection of Nature and Environment

Thomas Scheurer is scientific co-ordinator of Swiss National Park research. Furthermore he is managing director of the Swiss Interacademic Commission for Alpine Studies ICAS and of the International Scientific Committee for Alpine Research ISCAR.



◆ **Bhaskar Sen Gupta**
United Kingdom
Professor, Heriot-Watt
University, Edinburgh
The St Andrews Prize for the Environment

Bhaskar Sen Gupta is Professor in Water Technology at the Heriot-Watt University, Edinburgh Campus. He specialises in community water supply to resource poor communities. His work on arsenic remediation from groundwater in the Ganges and Mekong Delta has received international recognition. Apart from teaching and research at Heriot-Watt University, he is involved in setting up community water supply plants in many parts of Asia.



◆ **Junichi Shimizu**
Japan
Presenter,
Blue Planet Prize

Junichi Shimizu is director of commendation at the Blue Planet Prize by the Asahi Glass Foundation. The award is presented to individuals or organizations worldwide in recognition of major contributions to solving global environmental problems. They also conduct to issue a report, "The Environmental Doomsday Clock". He has a background of researcher of coating technology on glass and Senior Global R&D Coordinator in AGC Glass Company.



◆ **Horacio Sirolli**
Argentina
Wetlands Ecology Research Group
– University of Buenos Aires
UNESCO Sultan Qaboos Prize for Environmental Preservation

Horacio Sirolli is a biologist and scientific researcher specialized on ecology and conservation of the forests of the Lower Delta of Paraná, Brazil. He has directed projects that aim to generate productive alternatives for the sustainable development of islands and native forests. He is also responsible of the Conservation and Monitoring Sector of the Costanera Sur Ecological Reserve in Buenos Aires.



◆ **Ursula Sladek**
Germany
Founder, Elektrizitätswerke
Schönau Netze GmbH – EWS
German Environmental Award

Ursula Sladek founded the citizen's initiative "Parents for a nuclear-free future" after the catastrophe of Chernobyl in 1986. Together with others she founded the EWS after a turbulent decade of fighting against the local energy monopolist and took over the energy distribution network of Schönau in 1997. In 2000 she became managing director, in 2009 member of the managing board of the new founded EWS cooperative.



◆ **Noemi Stadler-Kaulich**
Germany / Bolivia
Initiator / Administration,
Mollesneja - Center of Andean
Agroforestry
Trophée de Femmes

Noemi Stadler-Kaulich works since 2001 at Mollesneja, a center for Agroforestry in Bolivia. Due to stony, eroded and degraded soil there was no other possibility than the use of agroforestry to develop a green landscape. In 2008 she initiated the network Espacio Compartido en Sistemas AgroForestales (ECOSAF). Now Mollesneja has become a center for investigation of Andean Agroforestry. She also travels for NGO Nature Fund and Caritas International in Latin America, Africa and Europe where she advises in agroforestry and gives workshops.



◆ **Klaus Töpfer**
Germany
Former Under Secretary
General United Nations
Umwelt Medienpreis / German Environmental Award / Binding-Prize for the Protection of Nature and Environment

Klaus Töpfer has been the patron of the International Convention of Environmental Laureates since 2012. Töpfer is the former Director of the Institute for Advanced Sustainability Studies. He is also the former Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme and was German Federal Minister for the Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety. He is one of the leading and most renowned environmental experts worldwide.

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◆ **Samson Tsegaye**
Ethiopia
Country Director, Solar Energy Foundation
The Nuclear-Free Future Award

Samson Tsegaye is working as leader for different organizations. He is the Country Director of Solar Energy Foundation since 2006. The foundation established the first solar village in Ethiopia and installed over 30,000 solar lighting systems for rural parts of the country.



◆ **Philipp Turri**
Germany
Presenter,
Environmental Media Prize

Philipp Turri works in the Public Relations department for Environmental Action Germany (Deutsche Umwelthilfe). Since 2012, he is also part of the Environmental Media Award (UmweltMedienpreis) team. This award acknowledges and encourages those who raise awareness about critical environmental issues.



◆ **Carlos Roberto Vasquez Almazan**
Guatemala
Amphibians Researcher and Conservationist at Fundaeco / Curator of Herpetology
Whitley Awards

Carlos Roberto Vasquez Almazan is a biologist and conservationist with emphasis in critical endangered biodiversity sites in Guatemala. He carries out surveys and established a network of nature reserves through the country for amphibian conservation. He also established two amphibian reserves in Guatemala and organized support for the creation of a new National Park in Guatemala.



◆ **Susanne von der Heide**
Nepal
Chairperson, HimalAsia Cultural Heritage and Educational Foundation
Trophée de Femmes

Susanne von der Heide is a cultural scientist and conservation specialist. She has worked as curator for education at the Museum of East Asian Art at Cologne and for UNESCO, World Heritage Center in Paris and the Division of Cultural Heritage. She is Director and Chairperson of the HimalAsia Foundation, operating mainly in the Himalayan Areas. She is a Professor for Cultural Management and Heritage Studies at the Hyderabad University and at the Kathmandu University in Nepal. She has edited books, and made five films regarding the Himalayan region.



◆ **Christine von Weizsäcker**
Germany
President, Ecoropa
Trophée de Femmes

Christine von Weizsäcker is a biologist, researcher and activist, working on technology assessment for civil society since the 70's. She is a participant in the Rio Process on Sustainable Development since 1992 and in the negotiations of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) and its Protocols since 1994. She is president of Ecoropa and member of the Board of the Federation of German Scientists. She was Lecturer of the Year 1996 of the National Association for Science, Technology and Society, won the Kant Citizen of the World Award in 2006, the Bayerischer Naturschutzpreis in 2009 and Trophée de Femmes in 2014.



◆ **Ernst Ulrich von Weizsäcker**
Germany
Co-President, Club of Rome / Board of Trustees, European Environment Foundation
German Environmental Award

Ernst Ulrich von Weizsäcker is Co-President of the Club of Rome. He was Co-Chair of the International Panel on Sustainable Resource Use. He was Founding President of the Wuppertal Institute for Climate, Environment and Energy. He worked as professor for Biology; also he was the founding president of the University of Kassel. He has been a Member of the German Parliament, SPD for seven years, he was Chairman of the Bundestag Study Commission on Economic Globalisation.



◆ **Mathis Wackernagel**
Switzerland
CEO, Global Footprint Network
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Mathis Wackernagel is the co-creator of the Ecological Footprint and CEO of Global Footprint Network. This international think-tank focuses on bringing about a sustainable human economy in which all can thrive within the means of one planet. Wackernagel's awards also include the 2012 Kenneth E. Boulding Memorial Award, an honorary doctorate from the University of Berne, and a Skoll Award for Social Entrepreneurship.



◆ **Paul Walker**
United States
Director, Environmental Security & Sustainability, Green Cross International / Board of Trustees, European Environment Foundation
Right Livelihood Award

Paul Walker is the International Director of the Environmental Security and Sustainability (ESS) Program for Green Cross International (GCI). The ESS Program is an international effort to facilitate the safe demilitarization, nonproliferation, and remediation of weapons stockpiles and high toxic waste. He is a former Professional Staff Member of the Armed Services Committee in the U.S. House of Representatives. He is also a Nuclear-Free Future Award Jury member.



◆ **Eicke R. Weber**
Germany
Chairman, Board of Trustees
European Environment
Foundation / Director, BEARS /
President, EUREC
**SolarWorld Einstein Award /
Zayed Future Energy Prize**

Eicke R. Weber was Director of the Fraunhofer Institut for Solar Energy Systems ISE (till Dec. 2016). Since Jan. 2017 he serves as director of the Berkeley Education Alliance for Research in Singapore BEARS. The focus of his research is materials research of Si and compound semiconductor materials, especially the development of low-cost Si and Si wafer technology for photovoltaic applications.



◆ **Hans-Johst (Hayo) Wetzelar**
in behalf of Annelie Dehmel
Germany/Bolivia
Active member, Centro
Ecológico Juvenil (CEJ)
Trophée de Femmes

Hayo Wetzelar works in various projects on fisheries, drinking water supply, wastewater treatment, protection of drinking water and small island solar power plants mainly in Chile, Kiribati, Ecuador and Nicaragua. He cooperates with Annelie Dehmel at Centro Ecologico Juvenil in Cajamarca near Sucre, Bolivia on reforestation and solar power plants. Ms Dehmel's project also includes weekly classes at Cajamarca youth center (www.cej-bolivia.org).



◆ **Sarah Wiener**
Austria
Chef, Author and Founder of
the Sarah Wiener Foundation
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Sarah Wiener is an Austrian (TV-) chef and sustainability icon who advocates for preserving natural resources and an ethical and ecological awareness regarding nutrition. She runs a successful catering company, a restaurant with exclusively regional suppliers, and an organic wood stove bakery. She believes in closing the circle from field to plate, and owns together with partners an organic farm near Berlin. Wiener campaigns for several causes (Cradle to Cradle and ambassador for biological diversity) and with her Sarah Wiener Foundation, she aims to inspire children to eat good and versatile foods.



◆ **Katja Wiese**
Germany
Director, Naturefund e.V.
Trophée de Femmes

Katja Wiese is the founder of Naturefund. She studied politics, German literature and economics. She traveled and lived in France, South Africa and the USA. After a career at WWF and management consultancy, she began to realize her childhood dream of buying land for nature. Together with six friends, she founded the association, that grows without financial means, only with idealism, passion and a lot of work. Naturefund e.V. now has five employees in Germany and eight in international projects.



◆ **Jutta Wiesenthal**
Germany
Presenter,
**The Nuclear-Free Future
Award**

Jutta Wiesenthal has worked in various countries organizing art, charity and sport events. She is project manager of the award ceremonies of the Nuclear-Free Future Award Foundation. The Chernobyl disaster in 1986 made her a devoted activist against nuclear power. Since 1992 she is a team member of those, who honour activists worldwide, struggling to end the nuclear age: The Nuclear-Free Future Award.



◆ **Joachim A. Wüning**
Germany
General manager, WS Wärme-
prozessechnik GmbH
German Environmental Award

Joachim Wüning's company is developing, producing and selling low pollutant and highly efficient gas burners for heating high temperature industrial furnaces. Besides running the company, the engineer is involved in combustion research and actively participates in several national and international research projects regarding clean and efficient combustion.

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The main projects of the EEF are the “International Convention of Environmental Laureates – ICEL”, held annually since 2012 in Freiburg, Germany and the Online Platform EnviroNetwork.eu which was established in 2015 as a virtual meeting point for environmental laureates and other people working and caring for the environment.

Under the umbrella of the EEF the environmental laureates adapted several declarations addressing current pressing problems, including the Rio+20 Declaration (2012), the Appeal to the world's foundations and philanthropists by the world's environmental prize winners (2014) or the Laureates Call to end repression against environmental defenders (2017).

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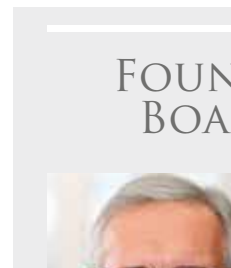
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