Shifting from *The Limits to Growth* to Global Equity for a Healthy Planet: How do we ensure transformational governance?

THE CLUB OF ROME ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2022
University for Peace, Ciudad Colón (outskirts of San José Province), Costa Rica

CONFERENCE ZOOM LINK

The full program:

3 DECEMBER 2022

09:30-16:30  Excursion to San Mateo — hosted by Stephen Brooks, Founder of Punta Mona agroecological farm, Costa Rica

09:30  Bus departs to San Mateo. Meet in the Hilton lobby located on the 1st floor, outside where the cars are located.

We will visit Alegria Village, a new ecological neighborhood in the hills of San Mateo, Alajuela, Costa Rica, dedicated to best practices in regenerative living and design and home to 145 people. We will also visit La Ecovilla, an ecological community which is 15 years old and thriving.

Please wear light clothes and closed shoes. Weather permitting, we can take a dip in the river so please bring a bathing suit, sunscreen and a towel. As we are at the tail end of the rainy season, please bring a raincoat/umbrella.

19:30  Welcome reception (welcome drinks and buffet)
Terrace located on the 2nd floor (in front of the bar), Hilton Garden Inn

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08:15  Bus transfer to the University for Peace (please be punctual, otherwise you will need to take a taxi costing approximately USD 30)
09:00-10:15  Opening plenary – 75 mn

From The Limits to Growth to Global Equity for a Healthy Planet

50 years after The Limits to Growth, it is more than time to learn what we already know. Taking care of the planet requires providing for one another. This opening session will set the scene as to why equity within and among nations is the path forward for a sustainable future.

WELCOME: By The Club of Rome Co-presidents, Sandrine Dixson-Declève and Mamphela Ramphele

ROUND OF PANELISTS AND OPEN DEBATE:

Gabriela Ramos, Assistant Director General, UNESCO, Mexico
Rector Francisco Rojas, Rector of the University for Peace, Costa Rica
Mirian Vilela, Executive Director, The Earth Charter, Brazil
Mirian Cisneros, Woman of the Kichwa Sarayaku people, Member of Parlamento Andino, Ecuador
Princess Esmeralda of Belgium
Manuel Tovar, Minister of Foreign Commerce, Costa Rica

10:30-12:10  Plenary session 1 – 100 mn

Governance under multiple emergencies: The need for systems transformation

Governance is failing on many levels to protect the commons and ensure an equitable path forward for all, on a livable Earth. The obstacles are systemic, and so is the change needed to emerge from our emergencies.

ROUND OF PANELISTS AND OPEN DEBATE:

Sandra Xinico Batz, Indigenous activist and anthropologist, Guatemala
Sandra Guzmán Luna, Founder of the Climate Finance Group for Latin America and the Caribbean, Mexico
José Luis Palacios, Professor at Escuela Nacional Politécnica de Ecuador
Gonzalo Muñoz, former UN High Level Climate Action Champion, Chile
Salvador Moncada, Professor at University College London, Honduras and UK

LEADS:

Sandrine Dixson-Declève, Co-president of The Club of Rome, Belgium
Matías Lara, Co-lead, The 50 Percent, Argentina

12:10-13:30  Lunch and conversation – 80 mn
13:30-15:10  **Plenary session 2 – 100 mn**

**Learning what we already know: Lessons from ancient wisdom still alive**

It is time to weave together all threads of today’s knowledge and wisdom, from both indigenous and modern origins. By becoming human again, people everywhere are liberating themselves and embodying a reconciliation of our capacities and attunement to life.

**ROUND OF PANELISTS AND OPEN DEBATE:**

- **María Clara Parente**, Journalist and film-maker, Brazil
- **Scherto Gill**, Director of the Global Humanity for Peace Institute, UK
- **Dali Nolasco Cruz**, Founder of the Network of Indigenous Women’s Organizations Tlaola, Mopampa, Timo’Patla and Yoltika, Mexico
- **Leidy Casimiro**, Leader of the agroecological project Slow Food, Cuba
- **Stephen Brooks**, Founder of Punta Mona agroecological farm, Costa Rica

**LEADS:**

- **Mamphela Ramphele**, Co-president of The Club of Rome, South Africa
- **Lourdes Dahiana Albornoz**, The 50 Percent, Argentina

15:30-17:10  **Breakout sessions led by members of The Club of Rome**

**Breakout session 1:** Human Development as equitable wellbeing

**LEADS:**

- **Ted Manning**, Member of The Club of Rome and President of Tourisk Incl, Canada
- **Anitra Thorhaug**, Member of The Club of Rome, Marine biologist, plant ecophysiologist and chemical oceanographer, USA
- **Ana Jones**, Urban scientist, Colombia

**ZOOM LINK FOR BREAKOUT SESSION 1**

**Breakout session 2:** Culture to reconnect with our nature - *(In person only)*

**LEADS:**

- **Ndidi Nnoli Edozien**, Member of The Club of Rome and Co-founder, Growing Business Foundation, Nigeria
- **Anna de Nardin**, Architect and artist, Possible Futures, Brazil
17:10       Closing of day 1 and conversation
17:30       Bus transfer to Hilton hotel

18:30       The US Association of the Club of Rome and the Canadian Association for the
            Club of Rome will hold a joint meeting in the Acacia 1 room located on the 2nd floor
            of the Hilton Hotel.

19:00-21:00 Maria Clara Parente will present her latest film “REGENERAR: possible paths on
            a damaged planet”, followed by Q&A in the Olmo 1 salon located on the 2nd floor
            of the Hilton Hotel

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08:15       Bus transfer to the University for Peace (please be punctual, otherwise you will need
            to take a taxi costing approximately USD 30)

09:10-10:50 Plenary session 3 – 100 mn
            What is emerging: Seeds of good governance at multiple levels
            Transformations are happening, often silently, in many places. What can we learn from what is
            already being tried? How can we allow the conditions for everyone to contribute and create a
            governance at peace with ourselves and the Earth?

ROUND OF PANELISTS AND OPEN DEBATE:

Josette Altmann Borbón, Secretary General of the Latin American Faculty of Social
Sciences, (FLASCO), Costa Rica

Carolina Alvarado, President of Slow Food, Chile

Cintia Jaime, Founder and Executive Director, ES VICIS Foundation, Argentina and Switzerland

Isabel Cavelier Adarve, Co-founder, Transforma, Colombia

Ricardo Young, Board Member of The Earth Charter and Managing Partner of Cultura,
Transição e Integridade, Brazil

LEADS:

Julia Kim, Program Director of the Gross National Happiness Centre

Nolita Mvunelo, Co-lead of The 50 Percent, South Africa

10:50-11:00 Conversational break – 10 mn
Plenary session 4 — 100 mn

Learnings from Latin America to the world

Latin America is a place of incredible richness, both in terms of nature and culture. It is home to many sources of ancient wisdom still alive and is at the same time a space open to imagination and possibilities. What can we learn from this?

ROUND OF PANELISTS AND OPEN DEBATE:

Marianela Curi Chacón, Executive Director of Fundación Futuro Latino Americano, Bolivia
Ximena Loria, Director of Climate Diplomacy, The Climate Reality Project, Costa Rica
Miguel Saravia, Director of the Regional Hub of South America, Wyss Academy for Nature, Peru
Martha Ligia Castellanos, Professor at the University of La Guajira, Colombia
Gonzalo del Castillo, Executive Director of The Argentine Chapter of The Club of Rome, Argentina

LEADS:

Carlos Alvarez Pereira, Vice-president of The Club of Rome, Spain
Susana Chacón, Secretary General of the Mexican Association of The Club of Rome, Mexico

12:40-14:00  Lunch and conversation — 80 mn

14:00-15:40  Breakout sessions led by members of The Club of Rome - 100 mn

Breakout session 3: Changing the roles of finance and business - (In person only)

LEADS:

Peter Blom, Member of The Club of Rome and former CEO Triodos, Netherlands
John Ickis, Former Dean of INCAE Business School, Costa Rica
Delilah Rothenberg - The Predistribution Initiative, US
Anne Snick - The Club of Rome EU Chapter / Project Turnaround Money for KU Leuven
Sandra Guzmán Luna - Founder of the Climate Finance Group for Latin America and the Caribbean, Mexico

Breakout session 4: Changing the roles of science and innovation - (In person only)

LEADS:

Carlos Alvarez-Pereira, Vice-president of The Club of Rome, Spain
Elena Stashenko, Professor and Director, CENIVAM, Colombia
15:40-16:00  Conversational break – 20 mn

16:00-18:00  Closing plenary – 120 mn

Weaving Together - Declaring the State of Emergence

Human nature and the interdependencies between us and with all living beings are not a problem. Rather, these unique connections create the conditions for the emergence of new responses for equitable wellbeing within a healthy planet. Let us weave together to emerge from emergency.

LEADS:
The Club of Rome Co-presidents, Sandrine Dixson-Declève and Mamphela Ramphele

INTERVENTIONS:
Pedro Ivo Batista, Founder Associação Alternativa Terrazul, Brazil
Ángel Alonso, Vice-Dean, IE School of Global & Public Affairs, Spain
Vanda Witoto, Amazonian indigenous leader and politician, Brazil
Marcia Covarrubias, Director, Foro Permanente de Política Exterior, Chile

18:00  Closing by The Club of Rome Co-presidents
Sandrine Dixson-Declève and Mamphela Ramphele

18:15  Bus transfer to Mirador Tiquicia

19:15  Celebration and farewell dinner at Mirador Tiquicia

22:00  Bus transfers to Hilton and Luisiana hotels