

# Protecting the Rights & Wellbeing of Future Generations through Institutional Representatives:



Establishing a UN Special Envoy for Future Generations and Representatives / Guardians of Future Generations at local, national and regional levels

Thursday September 5, 2024

An online event in held in conjunction with preparations for the UN Summit of the Future

## Session 1: Timed for Asia/Pacific/Europe

UTC 6am / CET 8am / Kathmandu 11:45 / Bangkok 13:00  
Tokyo 15:00 / Canberra 16:00 / Suva 18:00.

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## Session 2: Timed for Americas/Africa/Europe

US Pacific Time 8am / EDT 11am / Santiago 12noon / UTC  
15:00 / CET 17:00 / Nairobi 18:00.

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## ABOUT THE EVENT

The UN Secretary-General has proposed the establishment of a *United Nations Special Envoy for Future Generations*. This could complement and connect the current Guardians, Commissioners and Ombudspersons for Future Generations at local and national levels. It could also encourage more of these representative positions to be established around the world.

The purpose of such representatives for future generations is to ensure that the rights and wellbeing of future generations are taken into account in policies and decisions made today.

The *Declaration on Future Generations* which will be adopted at the *Summit of the Future*, could provide a starting point for the mandate for a UN Envoy for Future Generations.

## SPEAKERS AND MODERATORS

### Session 1

#### Ms. Veena Balakrishnan (India)

Political scientist, Intersectional Environmentalist. Co-Founder, Youth Negotiators Academy.

#### Ms. Daouia Chalali (France)

Project Coordinator, Summit of the Future and the Declaration on Future Generations, Future of Climate Cooperation.

#### Ms. Taylor Dee Hawkins (Australia)

Managing Director, Foundations for Tomorrow.  
Youth Representative, Network of Institutions and Leaders for Future Generations

#### Ms. Prachi Shevgaonkar (India)

Next Generation Fellow for the UN Foundation.

#### Mr. Justin Sobion (Trinidad and Tobago/New Zealand)

Coordinator, Earth Trusteeship Initiative.  
Caribbean Coordinator of the ICJ Advisory Opinion Campaign on Climate Change.

#### Mr. Derek Walker (Wales)

Future Generations Commissioner for Wales.

#### Mr. Alyn Ware (New Zealand/Czech Republic)

Program Director, World Federalist Movement-Institute for Global Policy.  
Co-convener, Earth Governance ImPACT Coalition

### Session 2

#### Mr. Jacob Dafydd Ellis (Wales)

Director for External Relations and Culture at the Office of the Future Generations Commissioner for Wales.  
Co-lead, ImPACT Coalition for Future Generations.

#### Adv. Neshan Gunasekera (Sri Lanka/Sweden)

Visiting Fellow, Raoul Wallenberg Institute of Human Rights and Humanitarian Law.  
Co-convener, World Future Council Working Group on the Summit of the Future.

#### Ms. Marie-Claire Graf (Switzerland)

Co-founder, Youth Negotiators Academy. Member, World Future Council.  
UN Youth Climate Champion of Switzerland.

#### Cllr. Charlie Hicks (UK)

Oxfordshire Council Champion for Future Generations

#### Mr. Alimi Salifou (Nigeria)

Consultant en Droit des Générations Futures.  
Co-lead ImPACT Coalition for Future Generations.

#### Judge Marcel Szabó (Hungary)

Judge at the Constitutional Court of Hungary (2016-present)  
Ombudsperson for Future Generations (2012-2016)

#### Prof. Daniella Tilbury (Gibraltar)

Former Commissioner for Sustainable Development and Future Generations for Gibraltar.  
Chair, Network of Institutions and Leaders for Future Generations.  
UK government focal point for the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe.

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