

Strategic Meeting of the PGA United Nations Advisory Committee

Ambassadorial Level

Generously hosted by the Permanent Mission of Liechtenstein to the United Nations
633 Third Avenue, 27th Floor, New York, NY

Thursday, 9 February 2023
1:15 – 2:45 PM EST (US and Canada)

Lunch will be served

IV. AGENDA

- 1:15pm** **Welcoming remarks & introduction by Participants**
H.E. Mr. Christian Wenaweser, Permanent Representative of Liechtenstein to the UN;
Chairperson of the PGA UN Advisory Committee
- 1:20pm** **Programmes, Campaigns and Priorities for PGA in 2023: *The role of Parliamentarians and Parliaments in Global Affairs and in the UN System***
Ms. Mónica Adame, Secretary-General of PGA (2023-25)
Open debate
- 1:30pm** **I) Towards a Special Tribunal for the crime of aggression *in* Ukraine through a UN General Assembly Resolution mandating a treaty between the UN and Ukraine?**
II) Towards a permanent jurisdiction of the ICC on the crime of aggression through relevant “amendments of the amendments” to the Rome Statute?
Ambassador Christian Wenaweser
Dr. David Donat-Cattin, Secretary-General (2014-22)/Outgoing SG (Jan.Mar. 23)
Open debate
- 2:00pm** **Overview on situation in Afghanistan: cross-cutting human rights violations**
Ms. Melissa Verpile, Director, Democratic Renewal and Human Rights Campaign; Senior Legal Officer, PGA
Open debate
- 2:20pm** **Climate Change: Impact on democracy and human rights** (references to the “Climate Ambition Summit” to be held in September 2023 at the UNHQ)
Pre-recorded Statement by Mr. Ian Fry, UN Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of human rights in the context of climate change
Commentary by Ms. Mónica Adame
Open debate
- 2:40pm** *Closing remarks by the Chairperson of the PGA UN Advisory Committee*

CONFIRMED PARTICIPANTS

- A. Representatives to the UN (in alphabetical order)
1. **Ms. Nicola Hardwick**, First Secretary, Permanent Mission of Austria to the UN
 2. **H.E. Mr. Carlos Fuller**, Permanent Representative of Belize to the UN
 3. **Ms. Beatrice Maille**, Minister-Counselor, Permanent Mission of Canada to the UN
 4. **H.E. Ms. Maritza Chan Valverde**, Permanent Representative of Costa Rica to the UN
 5. **Ms. Esther Sandholt Hansen**, Counsellor in Legal and Political Affairs, Permanent Mission of Denmark to the UN
 6. **Ms. Emma Holst Villumsen**, Legal and Political Affairs, Permanent Mission of Denmark to the UN
 7. **Ms. Simona Popan**, Counsellor, Delegation of the European Union to the UN
 8. **Mr. Michael Hasenau**, Legal Adviser, Permanent Mission of Germany to the United Nations
 9. **H.E. Mr. Gianluca Greco**, Deputy Permanent Representative of Italy to the UN
 10. **Mr. Enrico Milano**, Legal Adviser, Permanent Mission of Italy to the UN
 11. **H.E. Mr. Christian Wenaweser**, Permanent Representative of Liechtenstein to the UN
 12. **Mr. Luis Elizondo Belden**, Delegate, Permanent Mission of Mexico to the UN
 13. **Mr. Muhammad Jawad Ajmal**, First Secretary, Permanent Mission of Pakistan to the UN
 14. **H.E. Mr. Magnus Lennartsson**, Deputy Permanent Representative of Sweden to the UN
 15. **H.E. Mr. Adrian Hauri**, Deputy Permanent Representative of Switzerland to the UN
- B. Special Guests and Representatives of UN bodies
16. **Mrs. Karen Renee Odaba Mosoti**, Permanent Observer of the International Criminal Court (ICC) to the UN
 17. **Mr. Ian Fry**, UN Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of human rights in the context of climate change (pre-recorded video message)
 18. **Prof. Jennifer Trahan**, Director of the Concentration in International Law and Human Rights, NYU Center for Global Affairs; Convenor, The Global Institute for the Prevention of Aggression
- C. Secretariat of PGA
19. **Ms. Mónica Adame**, Secretary-General (2023-25)
 20. **Dr. David Donat-Cattin**, Outgoing Secretary-General/SG (2014-22)
 21. **Ms. Jennifer McCarthy**, Deputy Secretary-General
 22. **Ms. Melissa Verpile**, Director, Democratic Renewal Campaign/Senior Legal Officer
 23. **Ms. Saarah Monawvil**, Senior Programme Officer for Gender, Equality and Inclusion (Climate Action Campaign) and Oceans' Campaign
 24. **Ms. Tiffany Ommundsen**, Senior Development Officer

MISSION STATEMENT OF PGA

Vision

To contribute to the creation of a rules-based international order for a more equitable, safe, sustainable and democratic world.

Mission

PGA, a non-governmental, multi-party, international network of legislators acting in their individual capacity, which informs and mobilizes parliamentarians in all regions of the world to advocate for human rights and the Rule of Law, democracy, human security, inclusion, gender equality, and justice, including climate justice.

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