



UNITWIN 2017: 25th anniversary and looking ahead to the future

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UNESCO Headquarters, Room II, Fontenoy Building

PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME

Master of ceremony: Mr Peter Wells, Chief, Section of Higher Education, Division for Policies and Lifelong Learning Systems, UNESCO

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Part 1: Reflections on the evolution and achievements of the UNITWIN/UNESCO Chairs Programme over the last 25 years

Speakers :

- Ms Irina Bokova, Director-General of UNESCO (TBC)
- Mr Federico Mayor Zaragoza, President, The Foundation for a Culture of Peace Women's Knowledge International; Director-General of UNESCO (1987-1999) (TBC)
- Minister of Education or Higher Education – proposal: Russian Federation (TBC)
- Mr Georges Haddad, President, Université Paris 1 Panthéon Sorbonne, France (TBC)
- Professor Charles Hopkins, UNESCO Chairholder, UNESCO Chair on reorienting teacher education towards sustainability, York University, Canada (TBC)
- Mr Josep M. Vilalta, Director, UNITWIN Network -UNESCO-UNU-ACUP-GUNI (Global University Network for Innovation) Barcelona, Spain
- Dr Benito Mirón López, Secretary General of the Mexican Commission for Cooperation with UNESCO

4:00 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. Break

4:15 p.m. – 5:45 p.m. Part 2: Looking ahead to the future – what role for the Programme in achieving the SDGs?

Panel discussion (60 minutes) followed by Q&A (30 minutes)

Moderator: Professor Budd Hall, UNESCO Co-Chairholder, UNESCO Chair on community-based research and social responsibility in higher education, the University of Victoria Canada, and the Society for Participatory Research in Asia (PRIA) (India)

Panellists (TBC)

Professor Yves Théorêt, Secretary General, ORBICOM Network, <i>Université du Québec à Montréal- UQAM</i> , Canada
Professor Michael Turner, Chairholder, UNESCO Chair on urban design and conservation studies, Bezalel Academy of Arts and Design Israel
Professor François Taddei, Chairholder, Chaire UNESCO « Sciences de l'apprendre », Sorbonne Paris Cité, France
Professor Asma El Kasmi, Chairholder, Chaire UNESCO "Eau, Femmes et pouvoir de décisions", Université Al Akhawayn d'Ifrane, Morocco
Dr Gloria Ramirez Hernandez, Chairholder, UNESCO Chair on Human Rights, <i>Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México –UNAM</i> , Mexico
Dr Brenda McSweeney, Coordinator, UNITWIN Network on gender, culture and people-centered development, Boston University, USA

5:50 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Concluding remarks

Mr David Atchoarena, Director, Division for Policies and Lifelong Learning Systems, UNESCO

