

# PROGRAMME UN DAY FLANDERS



CELEBRATING THE 71ST ANNIVERSARY OF THE UNITED NATIONS

MONDAY 24 OCTOBER 2016, FLEMISH PARLIAMENT

15:00 Welcome

**Peter Wollaert**, UNITAR Fellow & Managing Director CIFAL Flanders

15:10 Opening speech

**Geert Bourgeois**, Minister-president, Flemish Government

15:25 UN HIGH LEVEL PANEL: Which challenges ahead for the United Nations?

Chair: **Neri Sybesma-Knol**, Honorary Chair, United Nations Association Flanders Belgium (VVN)

**Bénédicte Frankinet**, Ambassador, Former Representative of Belgium to the UN

**Claire Courteille-Mulder**, Director, International Labour Organisation (ILO) for the EU and Benelux

**Laura Palatini**, Chief of Mission, International Organization for Migration (IOM), Belgium and Luxembourg

**Christophe Yvetot**, Head, UN Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) Liaison Office to the EU

16:25 Blue Heart Campaign

Introduction **Christophe Verhellen**, United Nations Regional Information Centre (UNRIC)

Concert & Speech **Ozark Henry**, National Goodwill Ambassador against human trafficking, Blue Heart Campaign

16:50 Closing speech

**Jan Peumans**, Chairman, Flemish Parliament

## 17:15 7 PARALLEL BREAKOUT SESSIONS

### Agenda 2030: Implementation of the SDGs in Flanders

Chair: **Christophe Verhellen**, United Nations Regional Information Centre (UNRIC)

**Ilse Dries**, Team Sustainable Development Flemish Government

**Luc Martens**, Association of Flemish Cities and Municipalities (VVSG)

**Hans Maertens**, Flanders' Chamber of Commerce and Industry (Voka)

### HABITAT III: Debriefing conference on Sustainable Urban Development

Chair: **Peter Wollaert**, UNITAR | CIFAL Flanders

**Frédéric Saliez**, UN-HABITAT

**Joris Scheers**, Flemish Government

**Leo Van Broeck**, Flemish Government Architect (Vlaams Bouwmeester)

### UN Guiding Principles on Business & Human Rights

Chair: **Hans Verboven**, University of Antwerp

**Dieter Vander Beke**, Federal Institute for Sustainable Development (FIDO/IFDD)

**Gert Van Eeckhout**, Flemish Department of Work and Social Economy (MVO Vlaanderen)

**Liliana Lizarazo-Rodriguez**, University of Antwerp

### UN Global Compact: Children's Rights and Business Principles

Chair: **Joachim Lommelen**, United Nations Association Flanders Belgium (VVN)

**David Leysens**, The Shift & Global Compact Belgium

**Lieselotte Callebaut**, UNICEF Belgium

**Bert Van Pelt**, Cartamundi

**Bruno Vanobbergen**, Flemish Children's Rights Commission

SDG4: Education 2030. UNESCO's Framework for Action

**Stijn Dhert**, Flemish Commission for UNESCO

**Ruth Lamotte**, Flemish Government Department of Education

Towards a Global Science Diplomacy regarding the SDGs

Chair: **Jan Beyne**, CIFAL Flanders

**Luk van Langenhove**, UN University Institute on Comparative Regional Integration Studies (UNU-CRIS)

**Stephen Kingah**, (UNU-CRIS)

**Tomas Baum**, Flemish Peace Institute

ILO and Flanders: 25 Years of Collaboration

Chair: **Maarten Ipers**, CIFAL Flanders

**Evi Roelen**, Flemish Government Department of Foreign Affairs

**Audrey Le Guével**, ILO Brussels

**Marisa Le Roux**, ACLVB/CGSLB

18:15 Networking reception

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