## **Climate Change Conference**

Robin Marsh November 27, 2015



In preparation for the Paris COP21 negotiations on Climate Change mitigation Universal Peace Federation held a conference in the Lancaster Gate HQ. Smaller breakout groups in the second part of the evening allowed greater discussion with the speakers. Video of conference ow.ly/TYFta

Speakers referred to the Climate Change march on November 29th in London. See link for details. Photos from march.

Please see the website for more Climate Change march details: climatejusticejobs.org.uk/



## Overview of Conference ow.ly/TVCKt

David Wasdell Climate Dynamics: Facing the Harsh Realities of Now ow.ly/TUCqn and ow.ly/TYHuN

Lawrence Bloom ow.ly/TUDWu Vice Chair, Climate Prosperity Strategies.

Humphrey Hawksley Artic Geo-politics amid declining

icefield.

John Stewart ex-Chair ow.ly/TUEVjCampaign Against Climate Change.

Nisaa Jetha JCI Kensington.

Sun Hak Peace Prizeow.ly/TUDdZ -- Climate Change and Food Security.

## **Speakers Biographies:**

Lawrence Bloom was appointed the first Chairman of, the World Economic Forum at Davos, Global Agenda Council on Urban Management and he is currently alumni of all Agenda Councils. He is also the former Chairman of the UN Environmental Programme, Green Economy initiative, Green Cities Buildings and Transport Council. He is Vice Chair of Climate Prosperity Strategies which is an initiative of Global Urban Development created to demonstrate the economic benefits of creating a sustainable society.

Lawrence Bloom said, 'We are separated from our true selves, each other and our planet'

As Founding Director of the Apollo-Gaia Project (see <a href="www.apollo-gaia.org">www.apollo-gaia.org</a>), David Wasdell is one of the world's leading authorities on the dynamics of climate change. His rigorous scientific approach is combined with deep understanding of the social, economic, psychological and communications issues that

have blurred popular understanding and blocked executive action in response to our global crisis. His 2013 keynote address to the Club of Rome was followed by publication of new research on Climate Sensitivity, a radical response to the 2014 New York Climate Summit convened by Ban Ki-Moon and high level briefings in preparation for the global climate conference to be held in Paris this December. His disturbing critique of the 'budgetary approach' to climate change raises issues of crucial relevance and significance for each and every one of us.

Humphrey Hawksley, BBC World Affairs Correspondent, will be considering the consequences of Climate Change on Geopolitics in the Artic. On leaving school, he worked and travelled widely before becoming a journalist. He joined the BBC in 1983, editing radio bulletins in the main newsrooms, and took up his first foreign posting in 1986 to cover the Tamil civil war in Sir Lanka. He didn't stay long. He was expelled after six months for revealing atrocities against civilians. (more info)



John Stewart has been an environmental campaigner for over 30 years. He was centrally involved in the campaigns against road building in the 1980s and 1990s. He chaired the coalition which successfully defeated plans for the third runaway a Heathrow. He is a past Chair of the Campaign for better and Campaign Against Climate Change. He currently chairs AirportWatch and the UK Noise Association.

Nisaa Jetha is the President and Founder of The Junior Chamber International, Kensington. JCI has global affiliations with the International Chamber of Commerce, UNESCO, Economic and Social Council of the United Nations and The Council of Europe. Nisaa has worked with Canadian Parliament for a Senator who was also Canada's previous Special Envoy for Peace in the Sudan. She has been actively involved in global governance and policy for over ten years securing roles with Amnesty International, consulting with the United Nations Association of Canada and Rights and Democracy.

Nisaa co-launched a social enterprise through the London Chamber of Commerce and Industry earlier this year that sought to facilitate market -entry of alternative energy into Africa. She also ran global strategy and aligned the start-up closely after the sustainable development goals and was then a delegate at The Sustainable Energy For All Forum at the United Nations Headquarters. She has been a speaker in the House of Commons, London Chamber of Commerce and Industry and House of Lords on energy governance alongside key-players in the field such as the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State at DFID, African Ambassadors, UK Parliamentarians, innovators and key-policy drivers. Nisaa is passionate about alternative energy and shifting global governance which led her to launch an energy governance campaign in the highest House of Parliament this July 2015. She has attended the JCI Global Partnership Summit with the United Nations and was amongst a select group of civil society globally invited to attend the United Nations Sustainable Development Summit for the adoption of the Post-2015 Development Agenda.