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List of Speakers of National Statements at the High-Level Segment of the sixteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (COP 16)

29-30 October 2024

Tuesday 29 October 2024: Opening Plenary, 10:30am-12:30pm

No.	Name and Title	Country/Organization
1.	H.E. Gustavo Petro Urrego President	Republic of Colombia
2.	H.E. António Guterres Secretary-General	United Nations
3.	H.E. Luis Murillo Minister of Foreign Affairs- Launch of the Coalition “Peace with Nature”	Republic of Colombia
4.	H.E. Vahagn Khachaturyan President	Republic of Armenia
5.	H.E. Luis Arce Catacora President	Plurinational State of Bolivia
6.	H.E. Daniel Noboa President	Republic of Ecuador
7.	H.E. Úmaro Sissoco Embaló President	Republic of Guinea Bissau
8.	H.E. Leslie Voltaire President of the Transitional Presidential Council	Republic of Haiti
9.	H.E. Chan Santokhi President	Republic of Suriname
10.	H.E. Alexandra Hill Tinoco Minister of Foreign Affairs	Republic of El Salvador
11.	H.E. Yván Eduardo Gil Pinto Minister of the Popular Power for Foreign Affairs	Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela

Tuesday 29 October 2024: Afternoon Plenary, 2:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Invited Keynotes: 2:30 pm – 2:50 pm (3mins ea)

- Ms. Inger Anderson, Executive Director United Nations Environment Programme
- Mr. Hindou Oumarou Ibrahim, Chairperson, Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues
- Astrid Puentes Riaño, United Nations Special Rapporteur on the Right to a Healthy Environment
- Mr. Jose-Manuel Salazar-Xirinachs, Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean
- Statement by a representative of Global Youth Biodiversity Network (GYBN)

2:50 pm to 5:50 pm (3 mins each)

No.	Name and Title	Country/Organization
1.	H.E. Romina Pourmokhtari Minister for Climate and the Environment	Sweden
2.	H.E. Iziak Adekunle Salako Minister of State for Environment	Nigeria
3.	H.E. Steffi Lemke German Federal Minister for the Environment, Nature	Germany
4.	H.E. María Heloisa Rojas Corradi Minister of Environment	Chile
5.	H.E. Mamadou Samake Minister of the Environment, Sanitation and Sustainable	Mali
6.	Honourable Adrian Forde Minister of Environment and National Beautification, Green and Blue Economy	Barbados
7.	Rt. Honourable Steve Reed OBE Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
8.	H.E. Juan Carlos Castro Minister of Environment	Peru
9.	H.E. Daouda Ngom Minister of Environment and Ecological Transition	Senegal
10.	H.E. Magnus Heunicke Minister of Environment	Denmark
11.	H.E. Ophelia Mensah Hayford Minister for Environment, Science, Technology and Innovation	Ghana
12.	H.E. Alicia Bárcena Ibarra Secretary of the Environment and Natural Resources	Mexico
13.	H.E. Mukhtar Babayev Minister of Ecology and Natural Resources	Azerbaijan
14.	H.E. Trevor Manemahaga Minister for the Ministry of Environment, Climate Change, Disaster Management & Meteorology	Solomon Islands
15.	H.E. Bahodur Sheralizoda Chairman, Committee for Environmental Protection	Tajikistan
16.	H.E. Ain Bahadur Shahi Thakuri Minister of Forests and Environment	Nepal
17.	H.E. Ana Paula Chantre Luna de Carvalho Pereira Minister of the Environment	Angola
18.	H.E. Filimoni Vosarogo Minister of Lands and Natural Resources	Fiji
19.	H.E. Abdullah Ali AL Amri Chairman of Environment Authority	Oman



20	H.E. Riad Malki Presidential Advisor for International Affairs	State of Palestine
21	H.E. Sergiu Lazarencu Minister of the Environment	Republic of Moldova
22	H.E. Sithembiso G. G. Nyoni Minister of Environment, Climate and Wildlife	Zimbabwe
23	H.E. Konan Jacques Assahore Minister for Environment, Sustainable Development and Ecological Transition	Côte d'Ivoire
24	H.E. Sophalleth Eang Minister for Environment	Cambodia
25	H.E. Robert Bouvier Torterolo Minister of Environment	Uruguay
26	H.E. Petr Hladík Minister for the Environment	Czech Republic
27	HE. Amna Al Dahak Al Shamsi Minister of Climate Change and Environment	United Arab Emirates
28	H.E. Leonore Gewessler Minister for Climate Action, Environment, Energy, Mobility, Innovation and Technology	Austria
29	H.E. Aziz Andukhakimov Minister of Ecology, Environmental Protection and Climate Change of Uzbekistan	Uzbekistan
30	H.E. Thierry Kamach Ministry in charge of the Environment and Sustainable Development	Central African Republic
31	H.E. Kirti Vardhan Singh Minister of State for Environment, Forest and Climate Change, India	India
32	H.E. Fontaine Max Andorinina Minister of Environment and Sustainable Development	Madagascar
33	H.E. Yassmin Salah Eldin Fouad Minister of Environment	Egypt
34	H.E. Nik Nazmi Nik Ahmad Minister of Natural Resources and Environmental Sustainability	Malaysia
35	H.E. Tore O. Sandvik Minister of Climate and Environment	Norway
36	H.E. Marina Silva Minister of the Environment and Climate Change	Brazil
37	H.E. Orlando Habet Minister of Sustainable Development and Climate Change	Belize
38	H.E. Ana Patricia Orantes Thomas Minister of Environment and Natural Resources	Guatemala
39	H.E. Fazia Dahlab	Algeria

	Minister of Environment and Renewable Energy	
40	H.E. Serge Wilmes Minister of Environment, Climate and Biodiversity	Luxembourg
41	H.E. Cozier Frederick Minister of the Environment Rural Modernisation and Kalinago Upliftment	Dominica
42	H.E. Abdullah bin Abdulaziz bin Turki Al Subaie Minister of Environment and Climate Change	Qatar
43	H.E. Thoriq Ibrahim Minister of Climate Change, Environment and Energy	Maldives
44	H.E. Céline Caron-Dagioni Minister of Public Works, Environment and Urban Development	Monaco
45	H.E. Malcolm Noonan Minister of State with Responsibility for Nature, Heritage and Electoral Reform	Ireland
46	H.E. Flavien Joubert Minister of Agriculture, Climate Change and Environment	Seychelles
47	H.E. Armando Paíno Henríquez Ministry of Environment	Dominican Republic
48	H.E. Nasiha Pozder Minister of Federal Ministry of Environment and Tourism	Bosnia and Herzegovina
49	H.E. Toeolesulusulu Cedric. Schuster Minister of Natural Resources and Environment & Minister of Lands and Survey	Samoa
50	H.E. Pierre Hele Minister of Environment, Protection of Nature and Sustainable Development	Cameroon
51	H.E. Lucky Halach Medina Estrada Minister of Natural Resources and Environment	Honduras

Invited Keynotes: 5:50pm – 6:10pm (3mins ea)

- Ms. June Soomer, Chairperson, Permanent Forum on People of African Descent
- Statement on behalf of the Liaison Group of Biodiversity-related Conventions
- Mr. Sergio Diaz-Granados, Executive Director, CAF
- Ms. Ilze Brands, United Nations Assistant Secretary-General for Human Rights, Head of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR)
- Mr. Marcos Neto, Assistant Secretary, United Nations Development Programme

6:10 pm -7:30 pm (3 mins each)

50	H.E. Agnès Pannier-Runacher Minister for Ecological Transition, Energy, Climate and Risk Prevention	France
51	H.E. Ruslan Edelgeriev Special Envoy of the President of the Russian Federation	Russian Federation
	H.E. Gilberto Correia Carvalho Silva Minister of Agriculture and the Natural Environment	Cabo Verde
56	H.E. Jiwoh Emmanuel Abdulai Minister of Environment and Climate Change	Sierra Leone
57	H.E. Eve Bazaiba Masudi Minister of State, Minister for the Environment and Sustainable Development	Democratic Republic of Congo
58	H.E. Steven Guilbeault Minister of Environment and Climate Change	Canada
59	H.E. Juan Carlos Navarro Minister of Environment and Climate Change	Panama
60	H.E. Fekitamoeloa Utoikamanu Minister of Meteorology, Energy, Information, Disaster Management, Environment, Climate change and Communications	Tonga
61	H.E. István Nagy Minister of Agriculture	Hungary
62	H.E. Vickram Bharrat Minister of Natural Resources	Guyana
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63	H.E. Younten Phuntsho Minister of Agriculture and Livestock	Bhutan
64	H.E. Roger Baro Minister of the Environment, Water and Sanitation	Burkina Faso
65	H.E. Idriss Saleh Minister of Environment, Fisheries and Sustainable Development	Chad
66	H.E. Arlette Soudan-Nonault Minister for the Environment, Sustainable Development and the Congo Basin	Republic of Congo
67	H.E. Franz Tattenbach Capra Minister of Environment and Energy	Costa Rica
68	H.E. Deogracia Obiang Mbomio Minister of Forestry and Environment	Equatorial Guinea
69	H.E. Arcadie Svetlana Minguengu I Ndomba Minister of Environment, Climate and Human Wildlife Conflict	Gabon
70	H.E. Gholamreza Nouri Ghezeljeh Minister of Agriculture	Iran

71	H.E. Mathew Samuda Minister of Economic Growth and Job Creation	Jamaica
72	H.E. Ibrahim Al-Munir Minister of Environment	Libya
73	H.E. Heyddy Loredana Calderon Palma Minister of Environment and Natural Resources	Nicaragua

Wednesday 30 October 2024: Morning Plenary, 10:00am-1:00pm

Chaired by H.E. Mauricio Cabrera, Vice-Minister of Environment of Colombia

Invited Keynotes: 10:00am-10:20pm (3mins ea)

- Mr. Sefanaia Nawadra, Director General, Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme
- Mr. Carlos Manuel Rodriguez, President and CEO, Global Environment Facility
- Ms. Grethel Aguilar, Director General, International Union for Conservation of Nature
- Mr. Ibrahim Thiaw, Executive Secretary, United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification

10:20 pm-13:00 pm, 3mins ea

No.	Name and Title	Country/Organization
1.	H.E. Joyelle Clarke Minister of Sustainable Development, Environment, Climate Action and Constituency Empowerment	Saint Kitts and Nevis
2.	H.E. Filip Kuffa Ministry of Environment	Slovakia
3.	H.E. Sam Mangusho Cheptoris Minister of Water and Environment	Uganda
4.	H.E. Selemani Said Jafo Minister of Environment	United Republic of Tanzania
5.	H.E. Rolph Regenvanu Minister Climate Change Adaptation, Meteorology and Geo-Hazards, Environment, Energy and Disaster Management	Vanuatu
6.	H.E. Maša Kociper State Secretary for Relations with the National Assembly	Slovenia
7.	H.E. Yutaka Matsuzawa Vice-Minister for Global Environmental Affairs	Japan
8.	H.E. Katrin Schneeberger State Secretary	Switzerland
9.	H.E. Daphne P.S. Chany Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Lands and Natural Resources	Zambia
10.	H.E. Donné Slangen Vice Minister for Nature and Fisheries	The Netherlands



11.	H.E. Mikołaj Dorożala Undersecretary of State, Chief Conservator of Nature	Poland
12.	H.E. Kęstutis Šetkus Vice-Minister of Environment	Lithuania
13.	H.E. Tereapii Maki Kavana Honourable Associate Minister Tereapii Maki Kavana	Cook Islands
14.	H.E. Eng Festus K. Ngeno Principal Secretary State Department for Environment and Climate Change	Kenya
15.	H.E. Sergii Vlasenko Deputy Minister for Digital Development, Digital	Ukraine
16.	H.E. Cyiza Beatrice Permanent Secretary of Ministry of Environment	Rwanda
17.	H.E. Hugo Morán Fernandez Secretary of State for Environment	Spain
18.	H.E. Mirslav Amankulov Deputy Minister of Natural Resources Ecology and Technical Supervision	Kyrgyzstan
19.	H.E. Claudio Barbaro Undersecretary of State to the Environment and Energy Security	Italy
20.	H.E. Nurken Sharbiyev First Vice-Minister of Ecology and Natural Resources of the Republic of Kazakhstan	Kazakhstan
21.	H.E. Adianez Taboada Zamora Vice Minister of Science, Technology and Environment	Cuba
22.	H.E. Marcia Levaggi Undersecretary Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Commerce	Argentina
23.	H.E. Ebrima Jawara Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Climate Change	Gambia
24.	H.E. Jasim Abdulazeez Hammadi Deputy Minister of Environment	Iraq
25.	H.E. Bogdan Radu Balaniscu State Secretary	Romania
26.	H.E. Moulaye Brahim Moulaye Driss Secretary General, Ministry of the Environment and Sustainable Development	Mauritania
27.	H.E. Ahmed Omar Mohamed State Minister	Somalia
28.	H.E. Narend Singh Deputy Minister, Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment	South Africa
29.	H.E. Joseph Africano Bartel	South Sudan



	Undersecretary for Environment	
30.	Florika Fink-Hooijer Director-General of Directorate-General Environment of the European Commission	European Union
31.	H.E. Ernesto D. Adobo, Jr. Vice-Minister of Environment	Philippines
32.	Hong Sik Cho Ambassador for Climate and Environment	Republic of Korea
33.	Antti Kaski Ambassador, Head of Mission, Embassy of Finland, Bogota	Finland
34.	Jingyang Zhu Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the People's Republic of China to the Republic of Colombia	China
35.	Ranko Vilovic Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary	Croatia
36.	Anna Chrisp Australia Ambassador to Colombia	Australia
37.	Vasilios Philippou Ambassador of Cyprus to Brazil	Cyprus
38.	Fadel AlHasan Ambassador	Kuwait
39.	Tapugao Falefou Ambassador	Tuvalu
40.	Carlos Juri Feghali Consul	Lebanon
41.	Nuno Miguel Soares Banza President of Institute for Nature Conservation and Forests	Portugal
42.	Joseph Caruana Permanent Secretary, Ministry for the Environment, Energy and Regeneration of the Grand Harbour	Malta
43.	MohamedAli Qurban CEO National Centre for Wildlife- Head of Saudi Delegation	Saudi Arabia
44.	Aveliina Helm Scientific Adviser to the Minister of Climate	Estonia
45.	Petros Varelidis Secretary-General for Natural Environment & Water of the Ministry of Environment and Energy	Greece
46.	Kongchay Phimmakong/Soukvilay Vilavong Deputy Director-General of the Science Department, /Deputy Director of Environmental Policy, the Department of Environment	Lao PDR
47.	Zouhour Methammem	Tunisia



	Head of the Minister's Office	
48.	Emilia Leonor Dique Fumo Permanent Secretary	Mozambique
49.	Rani Amir Senior Deputy Director General, Nature Resources and Climate Resilience	Israel
50.	Dario Mandelburger Director, Ministerio del Ambiente y Desarrollo Sostenible	Paraguay
51.	Flaminio M.E. Xavier National Directorate for Biodiversity	Timor-Leste
52.	Universe Yamase Lawrence Deputy Permanent Representative	Federated States of Micronesia
53.	Nsia Koffi Severin Minister Adviser on forest and environmental reforms,	Benin
54.	Tawonga Grace Mbale – Luka Director of Environmental Affairs	Malawi
55.	Ornuj Lorphensri Deputy Permanent Secretary	Thailand
56.	Ali Abdulla Isa Biodiversity Director	Bahrain
57.	Fahmida Khanon Additional Secretary	Bangladesh
58.	Dale Webber Chairman, Climate Change Advisory Board	Grenada
59.	Belal Wtishat Director of Nature Protection Directorate	Jordan
60.	Emmanuel Urey Yarkpawolo Executive Director of the Environmental Protection Agency	Liberia
61.	Rumina Khurshid Alam Coordinator to the Prime Minister on Climate Change	Pakistan
62.	Amah Atutonu Director of Forest Ressources	Togo