

G7 Environment
Program of Events - Civil Society

Pompidou Center in Metz (France) on May 5th and 6th, 2019

Program subject to evolutions

In view of the Biarritz Summit, which will take place from 24 to 26 August 2019 with the Heads of State and Government of the seven member countries (Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, United Kingdom, United States) and the European Union, a G7 summit of the environment is organized on 5-6 May 2019, at the Robert Schuman Congress Center in Metz. In addition to G7 members, other countries are invited on this occasion. Priority will be given to combating inequalities through the protection of biodiversity and climate.

Events will be dedicated to civil society and the general public and open to the participation of national delegations: they will also be held May 5-6 at the Center Pompidou Metz in the immediate vicinity of the Robert-Schuman Congress Center¹.

The organization of G7-Environment is part of a sustainable development approach, with reference to the ISO 20121 standard.

Civil society and the public are invited to register in advance and preferably before April 27

<https://g7environment-events-societe-civile.fr>

The Pompidou Center is included in the G7 Environment security perimeter.

Members of G7 national delegations are strongly encouraged to attend and participate. In particular, several groups of G7 commitments, representing civil society, wish to have exchanges with members of these delegations, especially during the session of Sunday, May 5 organized in the room The Studio (250 seats with simultaneous translation French English), in the Pompidou Centre. To contact the leader of an engagement group or the organizer of an event, please write to the contact mentioned at the bottom of the program.

Members of national delegations to the G7 will be able to move freely between the Robert Schuman Center and the Pompidou Center. For better organization, delegates planning to attend Pompidou Center events are asked to register via the dedicated platform

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Some seats (16) will be reserved by the organizers, in each of the main rooms of the Pompidou Center (Studio and Auditorium), to allow at any time the presence of a member of each national delegation.

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Here is the detailed program of these events which mentions in particular the rooms, the schedules and the languages of intervention and interpretation.

1 Both buildings are accessible to people with reduced mobility.

1 / Engaged and inclusive human societies

(Center Pompidou “Studio”, Sunday May 5th from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm and from 2 pm to 4:30 pm, French-English simultaneous interpretation)

Building a harmonious and peaceful global civilization will be the work of society as a whole, with all its components - not just national governments.

This day will allow, as is rarely the case in the G7, to hear representatives of civil society from diverse backgrounds (companies, scientists, think tanks, NGOs, ...) and all categories. The public will receive the messages, which will be delivered the next morning, Monday 6 May, to the environment ministers of 15 countries and to the European Commissioner in charge of the environment.

The 7 G7 engagement groups are: **Women-7, Youth-7, Civil-7, Business-7, Labor-7, Think-7, Science-7.**

09: 30-10: 45

Youth-7 (organization: **Open-Diplomacy**)

11: 00-12: 30

Women-7 (Care France)

Labor-7 (TUAC-UFCW)

Civil-7 (Coordination South)

12: 30-14: 00

Lunch break

14: 00-14: 45

Science 7

Olivier Pironneau, member of the Academy of Sciences, present the work of Science-7 in two themes:

- . Artificial Intelligence and Society
- . Participatory science

Presentation (30 min) and then exchanges with the audience (15 min)

2:45 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.: **Business-7**

MEDEF will host an event on plastics – a major theme on the agenda of the G7 ministerial meeting. Several companies will be represented.

Topics potentially addressed: production, circular economy, substitution, elimination, depollution, regulation.

15: 30: 16: 15: (to be confirmed)

2 / Ecological and inclusive territories

(Center Pompidou “Auditorium”, Sunday, May 5 from 9:30 to 12:30, in French)

The life of each and everyone is here and now !
Think global, act local.

The restoration of balanced relations between human activities and the biosphere is inseparable from social justice, solidarity and inclusivity. This is played out at different scales of space and governance but the territory and its inhabitants constitute the real element, the basic brick. The City of Metz, the Metropolis of Metz, the Department of Moselle and the Great East Region are experimenting and daring to undertake to develop their territories, to contribute to achieving the objectives of sustainable development, carbon neutrality, but also to protect the living and biodiversity. Their experiences will be crossed with experiences from other countries.

Participants:

Dominique Gros, Mayor of Metz
Marie-Anne Isler Beguin, Metz Métropole Vice President
Florent Golin, FNAUT
Torloting Michel, Vice President of Metz Métropole
A gardener
A representative of an agricultural school

moderation: **Laurent Guillaume Dehlinger**

09: 30-10: 45: **Mobility** Round Table
Mobility policy, lever of territorial transformation

11: 15-12: 30: **Food and Agriculture** Round Table
Peri-urban agriculture, Agrobiopolis, Territorial Food Plan

3 / Living Earth (ocean, biodiversity, climate)

(Center Pompidou Auditorium, Sunday May 5th from 2 to 5 pm, in French)

The Anthropocene is a fact, which humanity becomes aware of in this 21st century.

Beyond the sectoral and disciplinary divisions or borders, there is our Earth with its dynamic equilibrium, a rather stable climate system since 12 000 years and a rather stable biodiversity since ... millions of years until the action of humans, very recently, disrupts in an extremely short time these balances modifying the climate and triggering a massive extinction of biodiversity. A series of current topics concerning oceans, biodiversity and climate will be covered with, above all, many lines of action and solutions, to be implemented as quickly as possible, across the planet.

The Ocean and Climate Platform (POC) is organizing this event and will carry out an inventory with solutions for the mitigation and adaptation to climate change, on themes not taken into account in the international agenda, in parallel with the Marine Litter Workshop whose experts could work alongside other NGOs. The aim is to connect and boost exchanges between civil society actors, the scientific community and policy makers to accelerate the implementation of concrete measures for the preservation of the ocean.

Two round tables:

- "The big picture on the Ocean: Safeguarding Our Planet" on the causes and consequences of the decline of ocean health, from the massive islands of plastic debris to the collapse of marine biodiversity ...
- "A new deal for nature" on ocean services as the world faces a loss of two-thirds of the wildlife population over the half-century from 1970 to 2020.

Conclusions : Summary of actions for the protection of the ocean, the common good of humanity.

Speakers:

- **Agathe Euzen (CNRS)**
- **Patricia Ricard (Paul Ricard Oceanographic Institute)**
- **Antidia Citores (Surfrider)**
- **Eudes Riblier (Ifremer)**
- ...

4 / Vision 2050 (prospective)

(Studio Pompidou Center, Monday, May 6, from 9:30 to 12:30, simultaneous interpretation French-English)

A future is still possible!

You have to imagine it, want it, then get going. Women and men from diverse horizons will come to share their vision of the world in 2050 and propose the values and principles of action applicable now to create together a desirable future for ourselves, our children and the Earth.

Speakers:

Roundtable **Humans and Communities** (09:30-10:30)

- **Isabelle Delannoy, agronomist, author of the "symbiotic economy", co-writer of the film "Home"**
- **Benki, indigenous leader ashaninka (Brazil)**
- **N ... (to be confirmed)**

Conference on **Resources** (11:00-11:30)

- **Janez Potocnik, former European Commissioner, Economist, President of the International Resources Panel (IRP)**

Conference on **Space** (11:45-12:05)

- **Nathalie Meusy (European Space Agency)**

Visions and hopes of an artist (12: 15-12: 30)

- **Yannick Monget, artist, futurist**

5 / Air conditioning and energy efficiency

(Center Pompidou Auditorium, Monday, May 6 from 9:30 to 10:45, in English)

More energy efficiency for less greenhouse gases.

According to the International Energy Agency, the energy needs for air conditioning could triple by 2050 if nothing is done. Air conditioning contributes to climate change in two ways: on the one hand, through the refrigerants used -mostly greenhouse gases - and, on the other hand, through energy consumption. This event will highlight the importance of substituting these greenhouse gases and improving the energy efficiency of air conditioning equipment. Examples of good practice will be presented.

6 / "act4nature", an initiative of large companies

(Salle "Conférence" of the Pompidou Center, Monday, May 6 from 9:30 to 10:45, in English)

Large companies and biodiversity.

Companies for the Environment (EpE) is an association that brings together some forty major French and international companies, from all sectors of the economy. EpE has developed an "act4nature" initiative to encourage companies to respect and take into account biodiversity. EpE will present this initiative and propose its internationalization.

Confirmed speakers :

Antoine Cadi, Director of Research and Innovation, CDC Biodiversity

Michael Beutler, Sustainability Operations Director, Kering

7 / Climate change and trade agreements

(Center Pompidou Auditorium, Monday, May 6 from 11:00 to 12:30, in English)

A subject now unavoidable on the international scene.

Long unknown, neglected or dodged, the compatibility of international trade agreements and international climate agreements is now strategic. The International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) commissioned in 2018, "The Economist - Intelligence Unit" a first report on this topic entitled "Climate change and trade agreements: friends or foes?".

Opening and moderation by: **Nikolaus Schultze, Global Policy Director, International Chamber of Commerce**

Presentation by: **Conor Griffin, Regional Director, EMEA, Economist Intelligence Unit, England**

Speakers :

Antonin Vergez, Ministry of Environment, France, Climate and Biodiversity Economics

Jean-Marie Paugam, Permanent Representative to the World Trade Organization, Morocco
Gabrielle Marceau, Senior Counselor Legal Affairs Division, World Trade Organization, Geneva
Claire Tutenuit, Secretary General, Companies for the Environment, France
[Name, title] United Nations Environment Program United Nations Environment Convention on Climate Change
Philippe Delleur, Senior Vice President, Alstom

8 / Climate Strategies

(Studio Pompidou Center, Monday, May 6, from 14:00 to 15:30, simultaneous interpretation French-English)

New vision and higher ambitions!

The objective of carbon neutrality in 2050 is new and difficult to maintain. It is part of a broad vision in which human activity has managed to fit again into equilibrium on a global scale. The long-term low carbon strategies of Japan, the European Union and France, approved or in preparation, are distinguished from previous strategies by taking into account new scientific results and qualitatively new approaches.

Speakers:

. Delegation of Japan to G7-Environment

. European Commission (DG-CLIMA)

**. Laurent Michel, Director General of Energy and Climate,
French Ministry of Ecological and Solidarity Transition**

9 / G.R.E.A.T G7 initiative on Gender and Environment

(Center Pompidou Auditorium, Monday, May 6 from 14:00 to 15:15, in French)

Women in action against climate change.

Equality between women and men is a priority theme for the French G7 Presidency in 2019, in line with Canada's 2018 initiative. The aim of the Gender Responsive Environmental Action Training (G.R.E.A.T) coalition is to widen the scope of gender issues to the whole subject of ecological transition. French companies are already very active on the subject and will, during this event, present their most beautiful projects.

Participants:

- **L'OREAL**
- **BNP PARIBAS**
- **CARE France**
- **Ministry of the ecological and inclusive transition**

10 / Financing actions for biodiversity

(Center Pompidou Auditorium, Monday, May 6, from 15:30 to 17:00, French and English).

Financing for biodiversity must prevail.

As with climate policies, the tools of finance must be used to transform infrastructure, reorient investments, and create leverage for biodiversity. The values "life" and "biodiversity" must dominate the values "euro" or "dollar". WWF and AXA have produced, at the request of the G7, a study on the financing of actions in favor of biodiversity. The OECD is working on the same subject. The results of these two studies, presented to the G7 ministers during the Metz meeting, will be presented to the public by the representatives of **WWF, AXA and the OECD**.

11 / School Conference

(The Center Pompidou Studio, Monday, May 6 from 4:15 pm to 5:30 pm, in French)

Young people and the G7 environment.

The course and the results of the G7 will be presented and discussed with a public school, college or high school student of the City of Metz (Event reserved for invited classes).

CONTACT :

For any information on the program or in connection with one of the engagement groups or the organizer of an event, please contact Mr. Nicolas Bériot (Ministry of the ecological and inclusive transition) : nicolas.beriot@developpement-durable.gouv.fr.

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