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Session

Format

Confirmed speakers

09:00-09:25

Opening Ceremony

Official Speeches

H.E. Dr. Ali Nasser Alghafis, Minister of Labor and Social Development, Saudi Arabia
Video message from Irina Bokova, Director-General, UNESCO
Mr. Eric Falt, Assistant Director-General for External Relations and Public Information, Representative of the Director-General, UNESCO
Mr. Philippe Beaussant, Chairperson, UNESCO-NGO Liaison Committee

09:25-09:45

Opening Keynote

Keynote Speech

Mr. Jacques Attali, Founder & President, Positive Planet, France

9:45-10:00

Setting the Scene: Youth Engagement and its Potential for Social Change

Panel Keynote

H.E. Noura Al Kaabi, Minister of State for Federal National Council Affairs, United Arab Emirates

10:00-10:55

Youth Engagement and Its Potential for Social Change

Panel

Moderator: **Mr. Ahmad Ashkar**, CEO & Founder, Hult Prize Foundation, Palestine/USA
H.R.H. Banderi A.R. Al Faisal, Director General, King Khaled Foundation, Saudi Arabia
Ms. Hila Azadzoy, Co-founder and Head of Academics, Kiron Open Higher Education, Germany/Afghanistan
Ms. Tanzila Khan, Author & Disabled Rights Activist, Pakistan
Mr. Benjamin Lough, Associate Professor, School of Social Work, University of Illinois, USA

10:55-11:45

Networking Coffee Break

11:45-12:00

Social Engagement: My Advice to My 20-year Old Self

Meet the Changemaker

Ms. Hayat Sindi, UNESCO Goodwill Ambassador, Co-founder, Diagnostics for All, Saudi Arabia

12:00-12:55

Optimizing the Impact of the Digital Native

Panel

Moderator: **Mr. Faisal Alsaif**, Presenter, Saudi Arabia
Ms. Deemah AlYahya, National Digitalization Office Head, Mandate Transforming Saudi to a Digitalized Nation, Ministry of Economic and Planning, Saudi Arabia
Mr. Kamel Al-Asmar, Founder, Nakhweh, United Arab Emirates
Mr. Jonathan Birdwell, Head of Policy, Institute for Strategic Dialogue, United Kingdom
Mr. Dejan Bojanic, Vice-President, European Youth Forum, Sweden
Ms. Samiha Khelifa, Associate Professor, Sousse University, Tunisia

12:55-14:10

Networking Lunch / Prayer

Art displays in the Networking Area
Speaker Corner:
Presentations of NGOs' activities related to youth and their social impact



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14:10 - 14:45	Hidden Heroes	Live on Social Media	<p>Ms. Khalida Brohi, Founder, Sughar, Pakistan</p> <p>Mr. Manyang Reath Kher, Founder, Humanity Helping Sudan Project, Sudan</p> <p>Moderator: Mr. John Defterios, Presenter, CNN, USA</p>
15:00-16:30	<p>Interactive Breakout Sessions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Youth Entrepreneurship and Volunteering: Promoting Engagement at Local and International Levels 2. Protection of Cultural Heritage: Can Young People Make a Difference? 3. Using Digital Tools for the Promotion of Social Interaction and Engagement 	Workshop	<p>Breakout Session 1:</p> <p>Ms. Hanouf Alajmi, Entrepreneur Selection and Growth Manager, Endeavor, Saudi Arabia</p> <p>Ms. Rocio Ruete, Coordinating Committee For International Voluntary Service, Argentina</p> <p>Facilitator: Mr. Oluwafemi Aganran</p> <p>Breakout Session 2:</p> <p>Mr. Nikolaos Papapesios, International Council of Organizations for Folklore Festivals and Folk Art, Greece</p> <p>Ms. Leonie Evers, Associate Project Officer, Emergency Preparedness Response Unit, Culture Section, UNESCO</p> <p>Facilitator: Mr. Pierre Arlaud</p> <p>Breakout Session 3:</p> <p>Mr. Nicolas Bussard, Founder and CEO, Applands, France</p> <p>Facilitator: Mr. Leonardo Martins</p>
16:30-16:50	Coffee Break/Prayer Break		
16:50-17:10	Cultural Diversity as an Essential Dimension of Intercultural Dialogue	Artistic Performance	Mr. Ahmed Mater , Artist, Saudi Arabia
17:10-17:30	Roadmap to Impact	Presentation	Facilitators from each Interactive Breakout Session
17:30-18:00	Closing Interview	In Conversation	<p>Mr. Carl Lewis, Gold Medalist, USA</p> <p>Mr. John Defterios, Presenter, CNN, USA</p>



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09:00-09:30	MiSK NGO Pitch Competition	Pitch Presentations	Finalists and Jury Members of MiSK NGO Pitch Competition
09:30-09:50	Opening Keynote	Keynote Speech	Mr. Jimmy Wales , Founder, Wikipedia, USA
09:50-10:45	What Skills for Young People Today	Panel	<p>Moderator: Mr. Alexander Schischlik, Chief, Youth and Sport Section, UNESCO Social and Human Sciences Sector</p> <p>Ms. Salam Abukhadrah, Young Leader, Women Deliver, Co-Founder, SheCab, Jordan</p> <p>Ms. Muna AbuSulayman, Arab Media Expert, Saudi Arabia</p> <p>Ms. Caroline Heptner, Team Leader, Grameen Creative Lab, Germany</p> <p>Mr. Manyang Reath Kher, Founder, Humanity Helping Sudan Project, Sudan</p>
10:45-11:35	Networking Coffee Break		
11:35-11:50	Optimizing the Power of Youth for Peacebuilding	Meet the Changemaker	Mr. Brian Rusch , Executive Director, Desmond Tutu Peace Foundation, USA
11:50-12:45	Educating for a Sustainable Future	Panel	<p>Moderator: Mr. Patrick Gallaud, Vice-Chairperson, NGO-UNESCO Liaison Committee</p> <p>Mr. Juan Pablo Celis, Youth Representative, United Nations Association of New York, Colombia</p> <p>Mr. Charles Hopkins, UNESCO Chair in Reorienting Teacher Education, York University, Canada</p> <p>Mr. Gerard Kabore, Head of Cabinet, Office of the Executive Secretary, Niger Basin Authority, Niger</p> <p>Ms. Grace Mwaura, Programme Associate, Climate Interactive, Kenya</p> <p>Ms. Sarah Toumi, Founder, Acacias for All, Tunisia</p>
12:40-14:00	Networking Lunch / Prayer	Marketplace	<p>Art displays in the Networking Area</p> <p>Speaker Corner: Presentations of NGOs' activities related to youth and their social impact</p>



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14:00-14:30	Afternoon Keynote	Keynote Speech	Mr. Justin Smith , CEO, Bloomberg Media Group, USA
14:40-16:10	Interactive Breakout Sessions: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Fostering Equal Opportunities for Young Men and Women 2. Maximizing the Fight Against Climate Change for Sustainable Development 3. How can NGOs and Government Collaborate for Social Good? 	Workshop	Breakout session 1: Ms. Marie Boucaud , BPW International, France Mr. Alexandru Coica , Manager External Relations, World Scout Bureau Global Support Office Facilitator: Mr. Richard Apeh Breakout Session 2: Ms. Katuscia Eroe , Head of Energy Department, Legambiente, Italy Ms. Grace Mwaura , Programme Associate, Climate Interactive, Kenya Facilitator: Mr. Tilemachos Boni Breakout Session 3: H.H. Mansour Al-Saud , Assistant Secretary General, King Faisal Foundation, Saudi Arabia Mr. Salem Aldini , Deputy Minister for Social Development, Ministry of Labor and Social Development, Saudi Arabia Ms. Shaima Hamidaddin , Representative, MiSK Foundation, Saudi Arabia Mr. Hammam Juraied , Executive General Manager, Ekhaa Foundation, Saudi Arabia Facilitator: Mr. John Deferios , Presenter, CNN, USA
16:10-16:30	Coffee Break/Prayer Break		
16:30-16:45	Blindness as a Tool to Uncover Ability	Meet the Changemaker	Ms. Sara Minkara , Founder and President, Empowerment Through Integration, Lebanon
16:45-17:05	Roadmap to Impact	Presentation	Facilitators from each Interactive Breakout Session
17:05-17:15	MiSK NGO Pitch Competition	Pitch Award	Moderator: Mr. Faisal Alsaif , Presenter, Saudi Arabia
17:15-17:45	The Voice of Youth: Their Vision of Social Change	Panel Session	Mr. Bader AlAsaker , Secretary General, MiSK Foundation, Saudi Arabia Youth from around the World
17:45-18:00	Closing Ceremony	Official Speeches	Mr. Philippe Beausant , Chairperson, UNESCO-NGO Liaison Committee Ms. Irina Bokova , Director-General, UNESCO

