



Nobel Summit: April 26 Agenda Highlights

The first [Nobel Prize Summit](#) “Our Planet, Our Future,” starting this morning, will bring together Nobel Prize laureates and other esteemed leaders in the sciences, policy, business, the youth movement, and the arts to explore actions that can be achieved this decade to put the world on a path to a more sustainable, more prosperous future for all.

Here are some highlights from today’s [agenda](#), including a discussion with Special Presidential Envoy for Climate, Secretary **John Kerry** and **Marcia McNutt**, president of the U.S. National Academy of Sciences. [Register now](#) to tune in to these sessions.

10:00 EDT - The Perfect Home

Sir David Attenborough provides a message for our planet via a glimpse into his newest project.

10:20 EDT - Welcome from the Three Presenting Hosts

- **Vidar Helgesen**, executive director, The Nobel Foundation
- **Marcia McNutt**, president, U.S. National Academy of Sciences
- **Johan Rockström**, director, Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research

10:30 EDT - Setting the Stage: Our Planet

Former U.S. Vice President **Al Gore**, Nobel Prize laureate, co-founder and chair of Generation Investment Management, and founder and chair of the Climate Reality Project

10:45 EDT - Think Globally, Act Locally

A conversation between **Sandra Diaz**, professor of ecology at Córdoba National University and senior member of the National Research Council of Argentina, and **Thomas Lovejoy**, professor of ecosystems, George Mason University.

11:15 EDT - Dynamic Dialogues

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A fast-paced, interactive exchange centered on the Summit's core topics. Following this session, attendees can join breakout discussion groups to dive deeper into a topic.

Human rights

- **Martin Chalfie**, Nobel Prize laureate, professor of biology, Columbia University
- **Connie Nshemereirwe**, independent science and policy facilitator
- **Gatwal Augustine Gatkuoth**, peace-building advocate
- **Gingger Shankar**, musician and activist

Economics of inequality

- **Gary Hoover**, professor of economics and director of the Murphy Institute at Tulane University
- **Simon Levin**, James S. McDonnell Distinguished University Professor in Ecology and Evolutionary Biology at Princeton University
- **Zoe Jenkins**, education justice activist

Sustainability/Earth systems

- **Brigitte Baptiste**, biologist, chancellor of Universidad Ean, Colombia
- **Adam Riess**, Nobel Prize laureate, cosmologist
- **Klaus von Klitzing**, Nobel Prize laureate, physicist
- **Anne Muthoni**, climate change enthusiast

Technology

- **Stanley Whittingham**, Nobel Prize laureate, professor of chemistry, Binghamton University, State University of New York
- **David Gross**, Nobel Prize laureate, Chancellor's Chair Professor of Theoretical Physics and former director of the Kavli Institute for Theoretical Physics at the University of California, Santa Barbara
- **Beatie Wolfe**, artist and U.N. Women campaign role model
- **Ahmad Mobayed**, digital education advocate, youth leader, and co-founder of the Syrian Youth Assembly

15:00 EDT - Session 2: Welcome

Johan Rockström, director, Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research

15:15 EDT - Pay It Forward: Envisioning Next Steps with Our Leaders of Tomorrow

Xiye Bastida, climate activist and youth leader

15:25 EDT - Evidence of Urgency: An Island Nation's Call to Action

David W. Panuelo, president of the Federated States of Micronesia

15:50 EDT - Many Avenues for Action: A Panel Discussion

- **Sir Richard Roberts**, Nobel Prize laureate, chief scientific officer at New England Biolabs

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- **Tamar Krishnamurti**, assistant professor of medicine and clinical and translational science at the University of Pittsburgh, and CEO of Naima Health
- **Rana el Kaliouby**, co-founder and CEO of Affectiva
- **Nisha Anand** (moderator), CEO of Dream Corps

16:10 EDT - Giving Power to Solutions

- **Steven Chu**, Nobel Prize laureate and professor of physics and molecular and cellular physiology at Stanford University
- **Natalia Kanem**, United Nations undersecretary-general and executive director of the United Nations Population Fund

16:25 EDT – A Commitment to Cooperation

A conversation between Special Presidential Envoy for Climate, Secretary **John Kerry** and **Marcia McNutt**, president of the U.S. National Academy of Sciences

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These sessions are designed as a scientific discussion on global sustainability challenges