

Expert Forum on *Climate Policies* – *Realistic Solutions to Achieve Climate Goals*

The event is organised by the European Liberal Forum with the support of Forum for Reforms, Entrepreneurship and Sustainability (Fores) and ALDE Party. It is part of a series of Expert Forums organised around Europe on topical matters and challenges facing the European Union, and will be conducted as the ALDE Party considers its manifesto for the 2019 elections to the European Parliament. This event focuses on the EU climate policies, aiming to discuss recent changes and their potential implications and challenges ahead specifically on policy, financial and practical levels.

DRAFT PROGRAMME

DATE: 23th of March 2018
TIME: 10:00 – 16:45
PLACE: Fores, Kungsbrogatan 2, 112 27 Stockholm.

10:00 – 10:10 **INTRODUCTION**
Josef Lentsch, *ELF, Member of the Board*

10:10 – 10:30 **WELCOME SPEECHES**
Mattias Goldmann, *CEO Fores*
Taavi Rõivas, *Chair, ALDE Party Manifesto Drafting Committee,
Former Estonian PM*

10:30 – 11:00 *Technical Talk on Climate Change in the 21st Century: Numbers and Figures*

This session aims at giving background information to the latest science on climate change and discussing the second draft of the IPCC's special report on the 1.5-degree goal, revealing the link between climate and security matters, and highlight financial implications of climate change.

DISCUSSION WITH:

Mathias Fridahl (PhD), *Climate policy analyst, Fores, and lecturer at the Centre for Climate Science and Policy Research, Linköping University*

Filip Jonsson (PhD, Professor), *Department of Space, Earth and Environment, Energy Technology, Chalmers University of Technology*

Martin Hedberg, *SWC*

MODERATOR (TBC)

11.00 – 12.00 *Policy talk: Background on Policy Initiatives and Decisions*

The purpose of this talk is to present the EU's actions to the Paris Agreement to now – specifically, the EU Clean Energy Package, the EU Emission Trading Scheme and the Energy and Security relation – as well as to provide an update on the ongoing UN processes.

DISCUSSION WITH:

Taavi Rõivas, *Chair, ALDE Party Manifesto Drafting Committee, Former Estonian PM*

Tone Bjørndal, *Former Climate Change Programme Manager and Secretary General of IFLRY*

Hanna Stenegren, *The Swedish Centre Party*

Mathias Fridahl, (PhD), *Climate policy analyst, Fores, and lecturer at the Centre for Climate Science and Policy Research, Linköping University*

Filip Jonsson (PhD, Professor), *Department of Space, Earth and Environment, Energy Technology, Chalmers University of Technology*

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12.00 – 13.30 LUNCH

13:30 – 14:30 *The Role of the Financial System in Meeting Climate Challenges Ahead*

The financial sector has a key role in the ongoing climate transition: it can indeed be a driving force for a sustainable world. This panel aims at identifying a vision for a financial system that effectively supports sustainable finance tools and mitigate climate change, highlight the key policy drivers of sustainable finance, and discuss the role of green bonds and pension funds.

DISCUSSION WITH:

Svetlana Gross, *Misum*

Björn Bergstrand, *Kommuninvest*

Martin Hedberg, *SWC*

Gunnela Hahn, *The Church of Sweden*

14:30 – 15:00 Q&A

15:00 – 16:00 *Role of Businesses and Citizens: Corporate and Private Responsibility*

The scope of this panel is to discuss the role that business and citizens have had in fighting climate change up to now, their responsibility in doing so, and the environmental impact of the shift to circular economy in the private sector.

DISCUSSION WITH

Fredrick Federley MEP, ALDE Party Vice President

Pär Larshans, *Chief Sustainability Corporate Responsibility & Public Affairs Officer, Ragn-Sells*

Mattias Goldmann, *CEO Fores*

MODERATOR (TBC)

16:00 – 16:30 Q&A

16:30 – 16:45 *Closing Remarks*

Fredrick Federley MEP, ALDE Party Vice President

WORKING LANGUAGE

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