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## Making the Most of the 2024 Summit of the Future

*A High-Level UNGA 2022 Side Event proposed for **Thursday, 22 September 2022**,  
from **12:00-1:00 pm**, followed by a light luncheon reception at the  
Bahá'í International Community at 866 UN Plaza, Suite 120 (corner of 48<sup>th</sup> St. and 1<sup>st</sup> Ave.).*

*Bahai International Community Center in New York*

Fears of escalating conflict, a global food crisis, new COVID-19 variants, irreversible climate change, and eroding collaboration in the global economy threaten to undermine the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and other efforts to advance human progress. Yet, a once-in-a-generation opportunity to review and improve global tools for managing such challenges, a Summit of the Future, is planned for September 2024 in New York by the United Nations' 193 Member States, preceded by a preparatory ministerial meeting, in September 2023, at the start of UNGA High-Level Week in New York. Considering major proposals put forward initially in UN Secretary-General António Guterres' seminal [\*Our Common Agenda\*](#) report (including a New Agenda for Peace, a Global Digital Compact, and a Declaration on Future Generations), this one-hour, high-level moderated conversation proposed for UNGA 2022 is intended to encourage more ambitious, forward-looking thinking and deliberation on global governance renewal and innovation in the run-up to the Summit of the Future.

**Co-Sponsors:** Global Governance Innovation Network, Coalition for the UN We Need, Club de Madrid, Global Women Leaders: Voices for Change & Inclusion, Bahá'í International Community, and the Stimson Center

**Venue:** Bahá'í International Community New York Office and simultaneously livestreamed.

**Format:** A sixty-minute program with an opening segment, followed by a moderated dialogue with two questions posed to each high-level panelist and succinct (two-to-three minutes) responses encouraged. Time permitting, a few brief questions could be encouraged from the floor or virtually from general participants.

*Welcome Remarks*

**Dan Perell**, Co-Chair, Coalition for the UN We Need and Representative, Bahá'í International Community (*confirmed*)

**Brian Finlay**, President and CEO, The Stimson Center (*confirmed*)

*Opening Remarks on the Road to the 2024 Summit of the Future:*

**H.S.H. Prince Albert II**, Sovereign Prince of Monaco (*confirmed*)

*Co-Chairs:*

**H.E. María Fernanda Espinosa**, former Foreign and Defense Minister of Ecuador, was President of the 73rd General Assembly of the United Nations. She is co-chair of the Coalition for the UN We Need and a member of the Global Women Leaders: Voices for Change and Inclusion (*confirmed*).

**H.E. Danilo Türk**, former President of Slovenia and UN Assistant Secretary-General for Political Affairs, is President of Club de Madrid and a member of the High-Level Advisory Board on Effective Multilateralism (*confirmed*).

*High-Level Panelists*

**H.E. Laura Chinchilla**, Former President of Costa Rica and Vice-President, Club de Madrid (*invited*)

Several Foreign Ministers visiting New York for the start of UNGA77 have been extended invitations.