



## **Global Policy Dialogue on Earth System Governance: Ensuring Human Flourishing in the Anthropocene**

**Date:** 30 October 2025

**Venue:** Global Green Growth Institute HQ, Conference Room 20F, 21-15 Jeongdong-gil, Jung District, Seoul,

**Co-Convenors:** Climate Governance Commission,  
Global Green Growth Institute, Stimson Center

### **Overview**

The Global Policy Dialogue on “**Earth System Governance: Ensuring Human Flourishing in the Anthropocene**” will consider ambitious yet practical ideas to improve global climate and ecological governance, [to prevent economic damage](#), and to safeguard the possibility of strong, inclusive and sustainable economic growth across the world, and in particular in developing countries and emerging economies. The Dialogue will explore the possible transformations in major global and regional institutions, instruments, policies, laws, rules, norms, operational tools, and coordination processes among different actors to better respond to the threat of the [triple planetary crisis](#) of biodiversity loss, pollution and climate change, with a particular focus on the need to remain within [Planetary Boundaries](#) and avoid crossing critical [Earth system tipping points](#). It will seek to provide fresh perspectives and establish broad areas of consensus on priority global and regional governance reform innovations, building on the landmark 2023 report, [Governing Our Planetary Emergency](#), of the Climate Governance Commission, Co-Chaired by Mary Robinson, former President of Ireland, Maria Fernanda Espinosa, 73rd President of the UN General Assembly, and Johan Rockström, Director of the Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research. A key objective of the Dialogue is to build further global support and engage a diverse network of organizations and individuals, including in collaboration with the Global Green Growth Institute and its Global Green Growth Week Partners, committed to growing a coalition of states and non-state actors to achieve vital global governance upgrades within the next one-to-three years (for near-term innovations) and three-to-five years (for medium-term “next-generation” innovations).

### **Agenda**

#### **13:45-14:00 Opening Session**

- Welcome by co-conveners and introduction of GPD objectives
- Remarks by Mr. Keeyong Chung, Ambassador & Deputy Minister for Climate Change, Attorney at Law, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Korea (video message)

14:10-14:40 **Keynote Address**

- Keynote Address on “**Global Policy Dialogue on Earth System Governance: Ensuring Human Flourishing in the Anthropocene**” by H.E. Ban Ki-moon, President of the Assembly and Chair of the Council of the Global Green Growth Institute, and Eighth Secretary-General of the United Nations (video message)
- **Presentation of The Work of the Climate Governance Commission: Context and Prospects for Enhanced, Effective Earth System Governance**, Maja Groff, Convenor/Executive Director, Climate Governance Commission
- Open Discussion

14:40-14:45 - Group Photo

14:45-15:30 **Working Group Discussion I**

**Focus for all groups:** *Discussing and Refining Critical Earth System Governance Proposals*

- **Group 1:** *Turbocharging the Climate COPs, the “Rio Trio,” and Establishing a Planetary Emergency Platform/Climate Change Council to Safeguard Economic Opportunities*
- **Group 2:** *Enhancing Finance for Economic Flourishing and the Triple Planetary Crisis – Moving from Billions to Trillions in Pursuit of Economic Transformations*
- **Group 3:** *Enhancing Earth System Scientific Monitoring/Reporting Capacity and Moving Toward Next-Generation Earth System Governance by Upgrading UNEP/Establishing a Global Environment Agency & International Environment Court*

15:30-16:00 Plenary

*Working Groups report back and participate in plenary discussion*

16:00-16:15 Coffee Break

16:15-17:15 **Working Group Discussion II**

**Focus for all groups:** *Moving from Innovation to Implementation of Critical Earth System Governance Proposals*

- Further refining innovative proposals and exploring implementation pathways
- Fresh ideas and perspectives to build greater global support for ongoing efforts, including within the UNFCCC, UNEP/UN Development System, IFIs, G20, WTO, UNSC, etc

- How to build consensus on a select number of reform proposals and build multi-stakeholder alliances

17:15-17:45 Plenary

*Working Groups report back and participate in plenary discussion*

17:45-18:00 **The Way Forward - Summary and Closing Session**

Concluding discussion on specific actions for advancing a global climate and Earth system governance renewal, innovation, and reform agenda (2025-2030), taking into account the brief reports on 3-4 recommendations from the Working Groups.

### **Draft List of Participants**

Maja Groff, Executive Director, Climate Governance Commission

Keeyong Chung, Ambassador & Deputy Minister for Climate Change, Attorney at Law, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Korea (via video)

Kumsil Kang, Climate Ambassador of Gyeonggi Province and former Minister of Justice of the Republic of Korea

Sona Long, Deputy Director of Climate Change, Ministry of Environment for Cambodia

Peter Odhengo, Head of Climate Finance & Green Economy Unit, National Treasury and Economic Planning for Kenya

Jinsoo Shin, Youth Negotiator, South Korea

Hyunyoung Yang, Youth Negotiator, South Korea

Haemil Park, Representative, World's Youth for Climate Justice

Demi Kim, Representative, World's Youth for Climate Justice

Gene Leon, President of Caribbean Development Bank