



Invitation

To mark [World Environment Day](#)
the **UN Environment Vienna Office - Secretariat of the Carpathian Convention**
in cooperation with the **UNESCO Club Vienna** and the **United Nations Information Service (UNIS)**
Vienna invite you to the event

[World Environment Day 2019](#) "Beat Air Pollution"

Friday, 7 June, 12.30pm-2pm
Vienna International Centre (VIC), Rotunda
Wagramerstrasse 5, 1220 Vienna

Programme

Welcome remarks

Dennis Thatchaichawalit
Deputy Director-General UNOV on behalf of
Director-General of the United Nations Office at Vienna (UNOV) **Yury Fedotov**

Harald Egerer
Head, UN Environment Vienna Office - Secretariat of the Carpathian Convention

Speakers:

Waltraud Petek
Deputy Director-General for Environment and Water, Federal Ministry of Sustainability and Tourism,
Austria

Sonja Gebert
UN Environment Vienna Office - Presentation of the report "*Regional Assessment on Air Pollution
and Human Health; Case of Western Balkans*"

Special Guest
Sadaharu Yagi
Goodwill Ambassador of the City of Kitakyushu (Japan)
US Grammy Award and **Latin Grammy Award Winner**





Performance of the song “We are walking on”

Dedicated to World Environment Day and the Sustainable Development Goals.
Written and performed by **Grammy Award Winner**, music producer, songwriter **Sadaharu Yagi**, Italian music artist and guitarist **Federico Ferrandina**, and singer **Azzurra**.
The video was directed by award-winning film director **Puja Maewal**

Jorge Rios

Chief, Global Programme to Combat Wildlife and Forest Crime; Chief, Sustainable Livelihoods Unit
United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC)

Alois Mhlanga

Chief, Climate Technology and Innovation Division
United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO)

Caroline Wenninger and Eduardo Alvarado

Presidents of AIESEC Austria 2018-2020
“Youth engagement towards the SDGs and the environment #IChooseAction”

Nathan Spees and young team members of WWF-Austria, Generation Earth

World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF) Austria Programme Coordinator and members
“Youth leadership: more than hot air”

The event is moderated by **Martin Nesirky**, Director, United Nations Information Service (UNIS)
Vienna

[World Environment Day](#), celebrated on 5 June, is the United Nations’ most important day for encouraging worldwide awareness and action for the protection of our environment. This year’s theme is “Beat Air Pollution”. As part of the event, a painting by the Peruvian artist Carmen Rocio Peña de Klein, on loan from UNESCO Club Vienna, will be on display. The painting forms part of the [UNESCO Links Programme](#). Ms. Carmen Rocio Peña de Klein and Ms. Fran Wright, Programme Director UNESCO Club Vienna, will be available for questions at the event.





Registration:

For registration to attend the event, please send an email to [gisela.landsteiner\[at\]un.org](mailto:gisela.landsteiner[at]un.org) by latest **5 June 2019**.

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Participants are reminded that they should bring the means of identification they listed in their submissions. They must present that document (and none other) on entering the VIC through Gate 1.

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Media representatives who are interested in **interviews** and/or wish to **attend the event** and do not hold a valid VIC grounds pass should write to [press.vienna\[at\]un.org](mailto:press.vienna[at]un.org) by latest **6 June 2019, 12 noon**.

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