



# SUMMIT 2022

Wednesday, 4 May  
1pm–4:30pm (CEST)  
online

Thursday, 5 May  
12pm–4pm (CEST)  
followed by drinks,  
arts and farewell

Humboldt Carré, Behrenstraße 42,  
10117 Berlin + Livestream



Over the past months, about 500 representatives from more than 40 countries have been working in the Civil7 (C7) network across five working groups. The C7 Summit on 4–5 May 2022 will be the highlight of this year's process, coordinated by VENRO, the Association of German Development and Humanitarian Aid NGOs, and the German NGO Forum on Environment and Development. We would like to invite you to the C7 Summit, which is planned as a hybrid event: The first day will take place digitally and the second day as a face-to-face event in Berlin with livestream.

Challenges such as the pandemic, climate change, conflicts and global injustice can only be met internationally, and voices of civil society must be heard and included in political decision-making. Processes in international forums and the dialogue between political decision makers and civil society have taken on a new urgency in recent weeks and months. The war in Ukraine and the suppression of demonstrations in Russia and in many other countries worldwide remind us once again of the value of democracy and a strong civil society. C7 is part of this lived democracy as one of the official Engagement Groups of the G7. In this year's process, it was particularly important to us not to

limit participation to non-governmental organisations from G7 countries, but rather represent voices from international civil society.

On the first day of the Summit, C7 working group coordinators and representatives of the G7 are invited to reflect on the global responsibility of the G7. Subsequently, representatives of civil society will discuss key challenges with high-level representatives of the German government.

On 5 May, the C7 Communiqué will be officially handed over to the G7 President and German Chancellor Olaf Scholz, and the formulated political recommendations will be presented and discussed in a panel with German Sherpa Dr Jörg Kukies.

**We are looking forward to welcoming you.**

For any questions please do not hesitate to contact the C7 Secretariat: [\*\*contact@civil7.org\*\*](mailto:contact@civil7.org)

Kind regards  
C7 Secretariat

**Please register [here](#) if you are interested in attending the C7 Summit virtually.**



Moderation of the event: [Natasha Walker](#)

# 4 May

online

## 1pm Welcoming remarks

**Mathias Mogge** Chair of the Board, VENRO

**Mireille Remesch** Member of the Steering Committee,  
German NGO Forum on Environment and Development

**Lorna Fuller** Project 90 by 2030 / C7 Steering Committee

## 1:25 What is the role of the G7 today?

*Jonathan Black, UK G7/G20 Sherpa, and  
Dr Lucinda Trigo Gamarra, Head of the German  
G7/G20 Sherpa office, in conversation with  
the C7 Working Group Coordinators:*

**Dr Anna-Maija-Mertens** Transparency International

**Patricia Miranda** LATINDADD

**Robin Montgomery** Interagency Coalition on AIDS and Development

**Harjeet Singh** Climate Action Network

**Jeremy Wellard** International Council of Voluntary Agencies

## 2:10 Short break

## 2:25 Roundtables Part I

*Climate and Environmental Justice: Protecting the  
Climate and Restoring Biodiversity*

### INPUT

**Christiane Hildebrandt** Climate Alliance Germany

### COMMENT

**Ronny Meyer** Director General “Guiding Principles and  
Dialogue”, Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature  
Conservation, Nuclear Safety and Consumer Protection

**Christina Wegelein** Head of Division  
“Climate and Security”, Federal Foreign Office

### MODERATION

**Mireille Remesch** German NGO Forum on  
Environment and Development

*Equity in global health: The global health architecture  
and the promise to leave no one behind*

### INPUT

**Robin Montgomery** Interagency Coalition on  
AIDS and Development

**Rachel Ong** Global Fund Advocates Network  
Asia Pacific

### COMMENT

**Dr Thomas Steffen** State Secretary,  
Federal Ministry of Health

### MODERATION

**Angela Bähr** Deputy Chair of the Board, VENRO





## *The role of civil society: Protecting civic space and democratic societies*

- INPUT** Dr Mariya Heletiy ISAR Ednannia  
Aidan Harris Open Government Partnership
- COMMENT** Jochen Steinhilber Director General for Displacement, Crisis Prevention and Civil Society, Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development
- MODERATION** Natasha Walker

**3:10** Break

**3:25** Roundtables Part II

### *Tackling the multiple crises: Concrete steps towards a transformative and fair financial architecture*

- INPUT** Patricia Miranda LATINDADD  
Bhumika Muchhala Third World Network
- COMMENT** Dr Thomas Schäkermann Deputy Head of Division “Multilateral Development Banks/AIIB/Debt Restructuring/Paris Club”, Federal Ministry of Finance
- MODERATION** Wolfgang Obenland German NGO Forum on Environment and Development

### *Closing the gap: Between early warning and anticipatory humanitarian action*

- INPUT** Clare Harris Start Network  
Nimo Hassan Somalia NGO Consortium
- COMMENT** Ricklef Beutin Director General Division “Crisis Prevention, Stabilization, Peacebuilding and Humanitarian Assistance”, Federal Foreign Office
- MODERATION** Natasha Walker

### *Gender equality: Imperative of a radical shift towards feminist development and foreign policy*

- INPUT** Emilia Reyes Equidad de Género / C7 Steering Committee  
Juliane Rosin Women7
- COMMENT** Dr Bärbel Kofler Parliamentary State Secretary, Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development
- MODERATION** Dr Ilona Auer-Frege Member of the Board, VENRO

**4:10** Take-aways

- Roy Blumenthal Live sketchnoter  
Angela Bähr VENRO  
Mireille Remesch German NGO Forum on Environment and Development

**4:30** End of Day 1





# 5 May

Humboldt Carré, Berlin + Livestream

**12pm** Registration & Appetizer

**1pm** Welcome

Angela Bähr Deputy Chair of the Board, VENRO

Maritta Strasser Member of the Steering Committee,  
German NGO Forum on Environment and Development

Harjeet Singh Climate Action Network / C7 Steering Committee

**1:15** The C7 Key Recommendations

*Presentation & Discussion*

*by the Working Group Coordinators:*

Katerina Hadzi-Miceva Evans European Center for Not-for-Profit Law

Kira Fischer Action Against Hunger

Dr Klaus Schilder Misereor

Harjeet Singh Climate Action Network

Peter Wiessner Action against AIDS Germany

**2:00** Break

**2:20** Handover of the C7 Communiqué  
to the G7 Presidency and Discussion

*Keynote Olaf Scholz, German Chancellor*

*Discussion with Dr Jörg Kukies, German G7 Sherpa*

Dr Dereje Alemayehu Global Alliance for Tax Justice /  
C7 Steering Committee

Mathias Mogge VENRO

Emilia Reyes Equidad de Género / C7 Steering Committee

Maritta Strasser German NGO Forum on Environment and Development

**3:50** Drinks, Arts & Farewell

**5:30** End of Day 2



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