

# END PANDEMICS: APPEAL TO WORLD LEADERS

Roundtable to Recommend Urgent and Practical Steps World Leaders  
Can Take to Prevent New Pandemics by Addressing their Root Causes

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of the Vatican's Dicastery for Promoting  
Integral Human Development

**CONVENED BY:**  
EndPandemics Campaign  
United for Regeneration  
Vatican COVID-19 Commission



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## ABOUT THE EVENT

The COVID-19 pandemic has so far infected 200 million people, killing more than 4 million in just 20 months. Experts project US \$11 trillion in damages for the global economy, including countless business closures, lost jobs, devastated livelihoods, and overburdened government budgets. There are also serious concerns that COVID variants might circumvent current vaccinations and that new virus outbreaks could be even more devastating.

Following HIV, SARS, Ebola, Bird Flu, and MERS, COVID-19 is the latest pandemic that results directly from humans tampering with wildlife, invading its habitat, and unleashing a devastating disease. Fortunately, such outbreaks are preventable. Previous international health campaigns prove that humanity is capable of preventing widespread infectious diseases and avoiding the enormous costs of a global outbreak. If the global community takes decisive action NOW, the next looming pandemic can be averted.

This Roundtable is hosted by EndPandemics and United for Regeneration, which was founded in partnership with the Vatican's Dicastery for the Promoting Integral Human Development and its COVID-19 Commission. Global experts and change leaders from government and multilateral institutions, business, civil society and the media will gather virtually and in-person in the media room of the Vatican's Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development to provide supportive advice to global leaders including the G20 Heads of State who will meet in Rome in October. The Roundtable will discuss specific Action Proposals, which include a Roadmap to significantly reduce the risk of future pandemics, while helping to regenerate natural habitats and local communities, protect biodiversity, and reduce global heating.

This Roundtable will be broadcast globally by The Independent – for broad visibility, public awareness building and inputs – as part of its Stop the Illegal Wildlife Trade initiative, which is working with the EndPandemics campaign to prevent zoonotic outbreaks by addressing their root causes.

The EndPandemics campaign has already led to innovative policy approaches, legal reform and concrete enforcement, including widespread habitat protection, wildlife market closures and illegal trade interruption in ASEAN countries. Following this important event, additional engagement gatherings, policy initiatives and media campaigns will assist governments and multilateral institutions in taking effective action.

### PREVENTION PAYS

COVID damage: \$USD 11 trillion

Pandemic Prevention: Less than 1%



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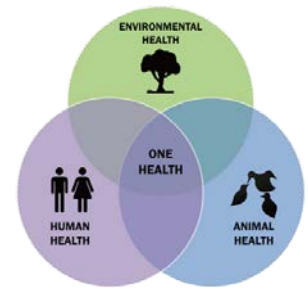
PROTECT  
NATURE



STOP  
TRAFFICKING



REFORM  
FARMING



## PROGRAM

<b>WELCOME &amp; INTRODUCTIONS</b>	<i>15 min</i>
<b>HOW DO PANDEMICS START?</b>	<i>10 min</i>
<b>HOW DO WE STOP PANDEMICS FROM STARTING?</b>	<i>35 min</i>
<b>WHAT MESSAGE DO WE SEND TO G20 &amp; THE WORLD?</b>	<i>35 min</i>
<b>CONCLUSION</b>	<i>10 min</i>

## LIST OF SPEAKERS

- **Dr. Aaron Bernstein**, Interim Director of Harvard Chan C-CHANGE and leader of Scientific Task Force, Preventing Pandemics at the Source Initiative
- **Father Augusto Zampini Davies\***, Co-Secretary of the Vatican's Dicastery for the Promotion of Human Integral Development and co-leader of the Vatican COVID-19 Commission
- **Steven Galster**, Co-Chair EndPandemics Campaign and CEO of Freeland
- **Dr. Niall McCann**, Co-Chair EndPandemics Campaign
- **Dr. Harald Link**, Chairman and CEO, B.Grimm Group
- **Walter Link**, Co-Chair of United for Regeneration, CEO of NOW Partners and member of the Vatican's COVID-19 Commission
- **Hunter Lovins**, Co-Author Natural Capitalism, senior advisor to UN and governments
- **Oliver Poole**, Executive Director, ESI Media Group
- **Dr. Catherine Machalaba**, member of the WHO's One Health High-Level Expert Panel and Senior Policy Advisor, EcoHealth Alliance
- **Marcello Palazzi**, Founder and Global Ambassador of the Benefit Corporation (B-Corp) movement in Europe, Co-Chair of United for Regeneration
- **Prof. Dr. Hermann Requardt\***, Former CEO of Siemens Medical Systems and former member of its Central Management Board
- **John Scanlon**, Former Secretary General of CITES (Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora) and Chair of the UK Government's Illegal Wildlife Trade Challenge Fund
- **Jane Seymour**, Philanthropist, Actress, Member of EndPandemics Campaign
- **Nguyen Tuong Van**, Secretary General, ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Assembly
- **Hon. Judy Wakhungu**, Kenyan Ambassador to France and the Vatican
- **Prof. Dr. Klaus Wucherer**, University Professor, former Chairman of Infineon, a leading high tech company

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