

Foundations Platform at the G20-Summit in Hamburg

## FOUNDATIONS TAKE A STAND

### CLIMATE PROTECTION - For a transformation that leaves no one behind - CIVIL SOCIETY

On 7/8th July 2017 the most influential industrialized and developing countries will come together in Hamburg for the G20 Summit. Leaders of the 19 largest economies and the European Union will discuss present challenges and future developments. In advance of this influential event, an unprecedented alliance of foundations and philanthropic organizations (F20) has gathered in order to further shape the political discourse on future sustainability measures before, during and after the G20 Summit. With the United Nations formalization of the Agenda 2030 including the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and the 2015 Paris Climate Agreement coming into effect, a number of encouraging sustainability frameworks have been established to spur the transformation needed.

The F20 platform will host a high level **event** a few days before the 2017 G20 Summit in Hamburg, where the F20 participants will present a joint **publication** to the German Government and the G20-Presidency. This publication will present an overall picture of current decarbonisation trends and the related challenges, the rise of renewable energy technologies and the most recent sustainability developments. The participating foundations aim to initiate a broad dialogue, highlighting success factors, as well as frank discussion of remaining barriers uncovered throughout the implementation of sustainability processes. This will be done in order to inspire proactive alliances towards new transformational partnerships and to encourage viable cooperation and the implementation of this transformational process.

Focused activities, such as the F20-Platform, seek to positively motivate governments to involve civil actors constructively into the process. Joint action can remove barriers and provide positive examples, paving the way for a continuous, unified and diligent transformation process.

The German federal government has repeatedly committed itself to the SDGs and the protection of the climate, emphasizing the importance of cooperation and partnership as a factor of success for a sustainable development. The participating foundations in the F20-Platform at the G20-Summit want to assume a leading role and seek to contribute constructively to concretely shape and implement these goals on both national and international levels.

The main messages are: 1. Climate protection is essential. 2. Both for-profit and non-for-profit sectors, such as foundations, must assume central responsibility towards contributing to the global transformation and must continue to intensify their actions 3. Civil society is a necessary and powerful partner in the transformation process and must not perceived as a threat.

#### The F20-Steering-Group so far consists of:

Deutsche Bundesstiftung Umwelt (DBU) (Germany), European Climate Foundation (ECF), Fundación AVINA, Michael Otto Stiftung für Umweltschutz (Germany), Rockefeller Brothers Fund (US), Shakti Foundation (India), Stiftung 2° - Deutsche Unternehmer für Klimaschutz (Germany), Stiftung Mercator (Germany), Stiftung Zukunftsfähigkeit (Germany), Stiftung World Future Council (Germany), World Wide Fund For Nature (WWF) Germany

#### The F20 Supporting Foundations so far:

BMW-Foundation Herbert Quandt (Germany), Bürgerstiftung Berlin (Germany), ClimateWorks Foundation (USA), C Team (China), Energy Foundation China, Fondation Prince Albert II de Monaco, Fundación Ambiente Y Recursos Naturales (FARN, Argentina), Fundación Vida Silvestre Argentina, Stiftung Futur Zwei (Germany), Global Challenges Foundation (Sweden), Heinz Sielmann Stiftung (Germany) Hamburger Stiftung für Wirtschaftsethik (Germany), HSV-Stiftung - Der Hamburger Weg (Germany), Instituto Arapyaú (Brasil), McConnell Founation (Canada), Ivey Foundation (Canada), Reiner Lemoine-Stiftung (Germany), Robert Bosch Stiftung (Germany), Russian Carbon Fund (Russia), SEE Foundation (China), Stiftung Bildung (Germany), Stiftung Deutscher Nachhaltigkeitspreis (Germany), Tata Trusts (India), The Stanley Foundation (USA), VRD Stiftung für Erneuerbare Energien (Germany), Wallace Global Fund (US), ZEIT-Stiftung Ebelin und Gerd Bucerius (Germany), Zenaga Foundation (Germany)

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