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206th Executive Committee meeting
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Hakima El Haité

President of Liberal International

WELCOME TO CANADA

Dear esteemed delegates,

It is a great honour for me to welcome you to this historic gathering of liberals – the first LI statutory event to take place in Canada for almost 15 years. As we come together in Ottawa, where you are also cordially invited to attend the Liberal Party of Canada's bi-annual convention, I would like to thank our hosts, the Canadian Group of Liberal International and our Vice President Senator Art Eggleton, for working tirelessly to make our meeting not only a celebration but an opportunity. An opportunity to share ideas, promote understanding, and strengthen the bonds that unite us as liberals from around the world.

Dear Friends, we are acutely aware of the countless challenges facing our global community, but we are also steadfast in our conviction that the principles of liberalism, freedom, equality, justice and individual rights are more relevant as ever.

As Liberals, we believe that our strength lies in our diversity and that when we celebrate our differences and focus on the collective good – together we can find innovative solutions to the complex problems the world faces. It is our mission to create a brighter and more equitable future for all of humanity - a future where every individual is free to pursue their dreams, regardless of their race, gender, sexuality or religion.

This is why I am so looking forward to the political exchanges with our friends from the Canadian liberals over these days in May. Liberal International is the perfect forum from which the LPC - among the world's most successful liberal parties – can contribute much and from which, together, we can advance our shared values. This is why I am very much looking forward to our discussions about the main issues humanity is facing - may they bring answers to make the world a better place.

I am confident that the discussions and debates that will take place over the coming days will be robust and constructive, and that together, we will emerge stronger and more united than ever before.

Thank you all for making the journey to Ottawa. This is one of the best-attended executive committee meetings in many years and your unwavering commitment to liberalism demonstrates that, even in these difficult days, liberal democrats remain at the vanguard of progress and good ideas - I look forward to the incredible advancements that we will deliver together.

Chers délégués,

C'est un grand honneur pour moi de vous accueillir à ce rassemblement historique de libéraux - le premier événement statutaire de LI à avoir lieu au Canada depuis près de 15 ans. Alors que nous nous réunissons à Ottawa, où vous êtes également cordialement invités à assister à la convention semestrielle du Parti libéral du Canada, je voudrais remercier nos hôtes, le Groupe canadien de Liberal International et notre vice-président, le sénateur Art Eggleton, qui ont travaillé sans relâche pour faire de notre réunion non seulement une célébration, mais aussi une opportunité. Une occasion de partager des idées, de promouvoir la compréhension et de renforcer les liens qui nous unissent en tant que libéraux du monde entier.

Chers amis, nous sommes tout à fait conscients des innombrables défis auxquels notre communauté mondiale est confrontée, mais nous sommes aussi fermement convaincus que les principes du libéralisme, de la liberté, de l'égalité, de la justice et des droits individuels sont plus pertinents que jamais.

En tant que libéraux, nous pensons que notre force réside dans notre diversité et que lorsque nous célébrons nos différences et que nous nous concentrons sur le bien commun, nous pouvons trouver ensemble des solutions innovantes aux problèmes complexes auxquels le monde est confronté. Notre mission est de créer un avenir plus lumineux et plus équitable pour l'ensemble de l'humanité - un avenir où chaque individu est libre de poursuivre ses rêves, indépendamment de sa race, de son sexe, de sa sexualité ou de sa religion.

C'est pourquoi j'attends avec impatience les échanges politiques avec nos amis libéraux canadiens au cours de ces journées de mai. Liberal International est le forum idéal à partir duquel le PLC - l'un des partis libéraux les plus performants au monde - peut apporter beaucoup et à partir duquel, ensemble, nous pouvons faire progresser nos valeurs communes. C'est pourquoi j'attends avec impatience nos discussions sur les principaux problèmes auxquels l'humanité est confrontée - puissent-elles apporter des réponses pour rendre le monde meilleur.

Je suis convaincu que les discussions et les débats qui auront lieu au cours des prochains jours seront solides et constructifs, et qu'ensemble, nous en sortirons plus forts et plus unis que jamais.

Je vous remercie tous d'avoir fait le voyage jusqu'à Ottawa. Cette réunion du comité exécutif est l'une des plus fréquentées depuis de nombreuses années et votre engagement inébranlable en faveur du libéralisme démontre que, même en ces temps difficiles, les libéraux-démocrates restent à l'avant-garde du progrès et des bonnes idées - j'attends avec impatience les avancées incroyables que nous réaliserons ensemble.



Art Eggleton

President of the Canadian Group of Liberal International

WELCOME TO CANADA

Dear Colleagues and Friends,

I am pleased as the President of the Canadian Group of Liberal International (CGLI) to welcome you to the 206th Executive Committee Meeting (ExCom) of Liberal International, and to our nation's capital, Ottawa.

It has been over a decade since a Liberal international conference has been held in Canada, although Canadian involvement in LI goes back to the very beginning of the organization in 1947. It comes at a time when liberalism is under attack in many parts of the world. Authoritarianism and toxic forms of populism and nationalism are on the rise. This meeting gives us, as liberals and progressive democrats, the opportunity to unite in common cause.

Following the ExCom our delegates are invited to attend the National Convention of the Liberal Party of Canada being held in the same Ottawa facility, the Shaw Centre, May 4-6. This will give visitors from abroad the opportunity to mingle and dialogue with Canadian Liberals about promoting democracy and shared liberal values.

On behalf of CGLI, I thank the President of Liberal International, Dr. Hakima el Haité, the Bureau, and, the Secretary General, William Townsend and his team, for their selection of CGLI as the local host for this ExCom, and for our combined effort in producing an exciting programme. Thanks also to the Liberal Party of Canada for their co-operation and assistance in making this happen and welcoming our visitors to their Convention following the ExCom.

Chers collègues et amis,

En tant que président du Groupe canadien de Liberal International (CGLI), j'ai le plaisir de vous souhaiter la bienvenue à la 206e réunion du Comité exécutif (ExCom) de Liberal International et dans la capitale de notre pays, Ottawa.

Cela fait plus de dix ans qu'une conférence de l'Internationale libérale n'a pas eu lieu au Canada, bien que la participation canadienne à LI remonte au tout début de l'organisation, en 1947. Cette conférence intervient à un moment où le libéralisme est attaqué dans de nombreuses régions du monde.

L'autoritarisme et les formes toxiques de populisme et de nationalisme se développent. Cette réunion nous donne, en tant que libéraux et démocrates progressistes, l'occasion de nous unir pour une cause commune.

Après le Comité exécutif, nos délégués sont invités à assister à la Convention nationale du Parti libéral du Canada qui se tiendra dans les mêmes locaux d'Ottawa, le Centre Shaw, du 4 au 6 mai. Les visiteurs étrangers auront ainsi l'occasion de se mêler aux libéraux canadiens et de dialoguer avec eux au sujet de la promotion de la démocratie et des valeurs libérales communes.

Au nom de CGLI, je remercie la présidente de Liberal International, Dr Hakima el Haité, le Bureau et le secrétaire général, William Townsend et son équipe, d'avoir choisi CGLI comme hôte local de ce comité exécutif et pour les efforts combinés que nous avons déployés afin de produire un programme passionnant. Nous remercions également le Parti libéral du Canada pour sa coopération et son aide dans la réalisation de ce programme et pour l'accueil de nos visiteurs à leur congrès après le comité exécutif.



Suzanne Cowan

President of the Liberal Party of Canada

WELCOME TO CANADA

Dear Delegates and Friends of Liberal International,

It is my pleasure, on behalf of the Liberal Party of Canada to welcome the delegates and friends of Liberal International to the 206th Executive Committee Meeting being held May 2-4 in Ottawa.

This is a timely meeting for progressive thinkers to join together to advance democracy, human rights, and other liberal values.

Following the Executive conference, I look forward to seeing many of you at the Liberal National Convention, where we will hear from guest speakers and continue our dialogue to promote our shared values.

Chers délégués et amis de Liberal International,

J'ai le plaisir, au nom du Parti libéral du Canada, de souhaiter la bienvenue aux délégués et aux amis de Liberal International à l'occasion de la 206e réunion du Comité exécutif qui se tiendra du 2 au 4 mai à Ottawa.

Il s'agit d'une réunion opportune qui permet aux penseurs progressistes de s'unir pour faire progresser la démocratie, les droits de l'homme et d'autres valeurs libérales.

Après la Conférence exécutive, je me réjouis de vous voir nombreux à la Convention nationale libérale, où nous entendrons des conférenciers invités et poursuivrons notre dialogue en vue de promouvoir nos valeurs communes.





PROGRAMME

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PROGRAMME

From Wednesday 3 May the 206th ExCom will move to rooms 213 & 215 on level 2 of the Shaw Centre. After the official closing of the 206th ExCom on Thursday 4 May, the Liberal Party of Canada will open their 2023 Liberal National Convention at the same venue with a full programme of political sessions to which ExCom delegates are invited until 6 May.

Addresses:

Liberal Party of Canada Headquarters - Constitution Square, Suite 902, 350 Albert St, Ottawa, K1P 6M8

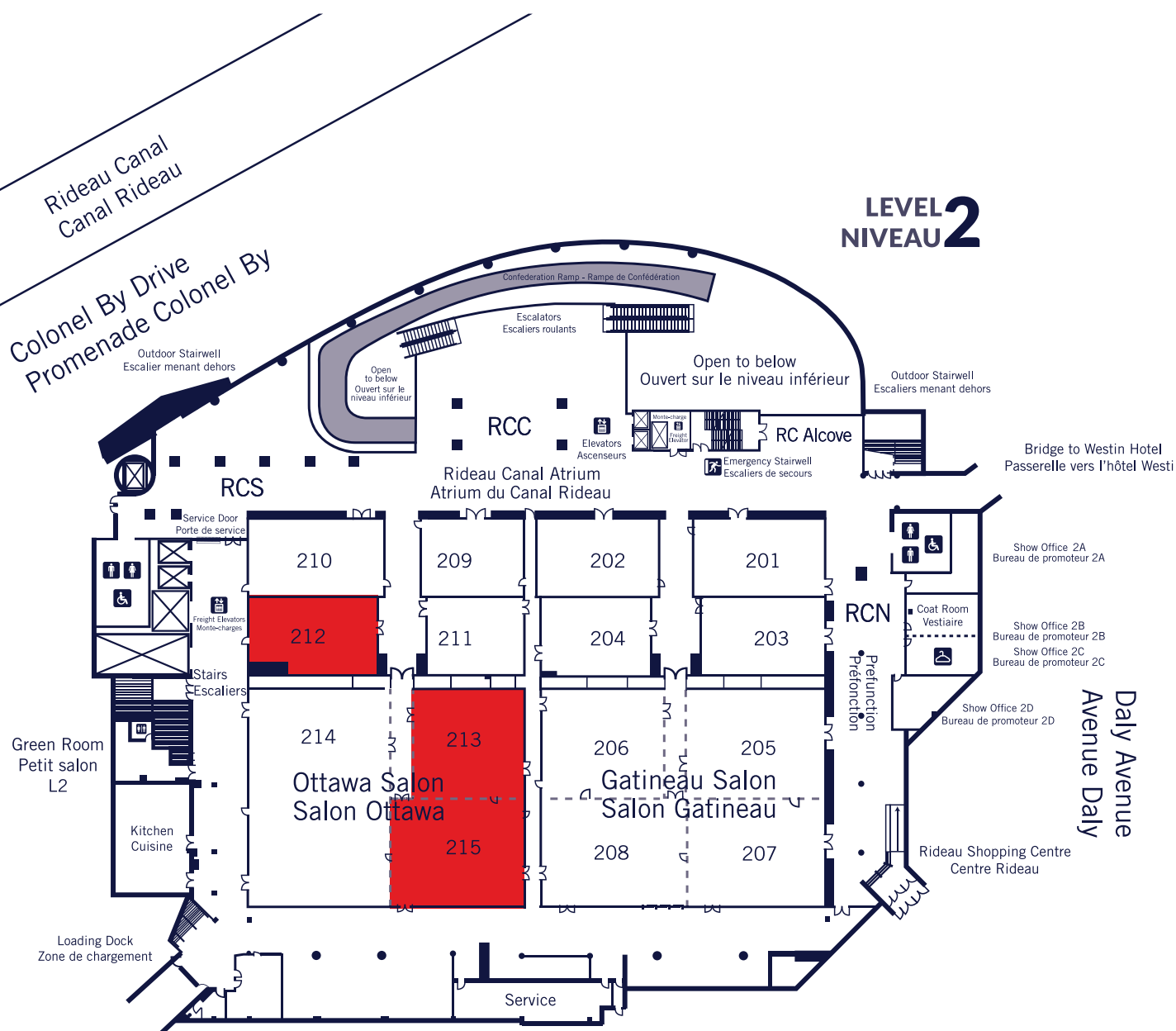
Sir Jonn A. Macdonald Building - 144 Wellington St, Ottawa, ON K1P 5B9

Shaw Centre - 55 Colonel By Drive, Ottawa, K1N 9J2

National Art Centre - 1 Elgin St, Ottawa, ON K1P 5W1

Lord Elgin Hotel - 100 Elgin St, Ottawa, ON K1P 5K8

National Gallery of Canada - 380 Sussex Drive, Ottawa, ON K1N 9N4



Monday, 1 May

TIME	SESSION	VENUE
ALL DAY	Arrival of Bureau, Secretariat, and Delegates	Ottawa, Canada
10:00 Ottawa time	Urgency Resolution Deadline	

Tuesday, 2 May

TIME	SESSION	VENUE
ALL DAY	Arrival of Delegates	Ottawa, Canada
08:00	Breakfast	Delegates' hotel
12:00–13:30	Bureau Meeting <i>By invitation only</i>	Liberal Party of Canada Headquarters Second Floor Conference Room
13:00–14:00	Registration and Issuance of votes – Ms Irene Wang: Human rights programme officer, Liberal International – Ms Dania Odeh: Climate Justice and Fair Trade programme consultant, Liberal International – Ms Emma Lundström: Staff Intern, Liberal International	Liberal Party of Canada Headquarters Second Floor Conference Room, Constitution Square, Suite 902, 350 Albert St, Ottawa, ON K1P 6M8
14:00–15:30	206 Executive Committee meeting: administrative session one - Opening - Apologies - Adoption of the agenda - Adoption of minutes of the 205th Executive Committee meeting - Appointment of voting scrutineers - Report of the president, bureau, and secretary general - Tabling of Resolutions - Tabling of membership applications and review of disaffiliations - Treasurers' and Financial reports <u>Contributors:</u> - Dr Hakima el Haité: Liberal International President - William Townsend: Liberal International Secretary General - Manfred R Eisenbach: Liberal International Treasurer - Lennart Salemink: Liberal International Treasurer	Liberal Party of Canada Headquarters Second Floor Conference Room

TIME	SESSION	VENUE
15:30–17:30	Economic cooperation in a geo-economic era: Systemic rivalry, selective multilateralism and the future of international trade  FRIEDRICH NAUMANN FOUNDATION For Freedom  LIBERAL INTERNATIONAL  FAIR TRADE COMMITTEE <i>Friedrich Naumann Foundation North America – LI Fair Trade Committee</i> <u>Moderator:</u> - Francisco Winter: Member of the LI Fair Trade Committee <u>Speakers:</u> - Prof. Dr. Karl-Heinz Paque: Deputy President and Fair Trade Committee Chairman, Liberal International - Hon. Judy Sgro MP: Chair of the House of Commons Committee on International Trade - Ablassé Ouedraogo: President of Le Faso Autrement, Deputy Director-General of WTO (1999-2002) - Andre Albinati: Board member, Canadian Science Policy Centre <u>Summation:</u> - Larry Herman: Member of the LI Fair Trade Committee	Liberal Party of Canada Headquarters Second Floor Conference Room
18:00–20:00	Welcome Reception  LIBERAL INTERNATIONAL <i>Hosted by the Canadian Group of Liberal International</i> - Sen. Art Eggleton: President of the Canadian Group of Liberal International - Dr Hakima el Haité: President, Liberal International - Leah Taylor Roy MP: on behalf of the Liberal Party Canada Parliamentary Caucus	Sir John A. Macdonald Building 144 Wellington St, Ottawa, ON K1P 5B9

TIME	SESSION	VENUE
08:00–09:30	Registration and issuing of votes - Ms Emma Lundström	Shaw Centre 2 nd Floor
09:00–09:45	206 Executive Committee meeting: administrative session two In memoriam - Hon. Bill Graham & Robert Woodthorpe Browne MBE - Report from the Human Rights Committee - Report from the Climate Justice Committee - Report from the Fair Trade Committee - 2023 Prize for Freedom declaration - Dr Hakima el Haité: President, Liberal International - Ms Astrid Thors: Chairperson, Liberal International Human Rights Committee - Mr David Zimmer: Deputy Chairperson, Liberal International Climate Justice Committee - Prof. Karl-Heinz Paqué: Chairperson, Liberal International Fair Trade Committee	Shaw Centre Plenary Room, Room 215 55 Colonel By Drive, Ottawa, ON K1N, Ottawa, ON K1N 9J2
09:45–10:15	Keynote address - Dr Hakima el Haité: President, Liberal International - Sen. Art Eggleton: President of the Canadian Group of Liberal International	Shaw Centre Plenary Room, Room 215
10:15–10:30	Liberal International 206th Executive Committee Official Photo	Shaw Centre Plenary Room, Room 215
10:30–11:00	Coffee break	Shaw Centre 2 nd Floor Foyer
11:00–13:00	Working group on resolutions <u>Chaired by:</u> - Dr Juli Minoves: President of Honour, Liberal International <u>Assisted by:</u> - Ms Irene Wang: Human Rights Programme Officer, Liberal International	Shaw Centre Plenary Room, Room 215
11:00–11:45	Preparing to win on election day: A best practice master-class with 'Team Trudeau' - Mike Rosati: Senior Director of Political Operations, Liberal Party of Canada	Shaw Centre Breakout Room, Room 212

TIME	SESSION	VENUE
12:00–12:45	Taking Command of Political Communication: breaking through the digital sound barrier – Matt McMillan: President, Buzzmaker	Shaw Centre Breakout Room, Room 212
13:00–14:00	Networking Lunch <i>Hosted by ALDE Party</i>  <u>Remarks:</u> – <i>tbc</i>	Shaw Centre 2 nd Floor Foyer
14:00–15:00	Introduction of Applicant Members <u>Chaired by:</u> – William Townsend: Secretary General, Liberal International – Candlelight Party, Cambodia (New applicant – full membership) – Evopoli, Chile (Existing observer member – upgrade) – Republican Movement, Republic of Congo (New applicant – observer membership) – El Adl, Egypt (New applicant – observer membership) – European Liberal Forum, Europe (New applicant – cooperating organisation) – Liberal Party of Ghana, Ghana (New applicant – observer membership) – Democratic Party of Kosovo PDK, Kosovo (New applicant – full membership) – Golos, Ukraine (New applicant – observer membership)	Shaw Centre Plenary Room, Room 215
14:00–15:00	‘A clash of digitalisations: Is technology dismantling democracy?’  Convened by the European Liberal Forum <u>Remarks:</u> – Dr Milosz Hodun: Board Member European Liberal Forum <u>Moderator:</u> – Francesco Cappelletti: Policy and Research Officer, European Liberal Forum <u>Contributors:</u> – Erin Kelly: President of Advanced Symbolics Incorporated – Andy Wong: Canada-Hong Kong Link – Kira Rudik MP: Vice President ALDE Party, Party Leader, Golos (Ukraine) – Senator Felipe Kast: Founder of Evopoli, Chile’s Minister of Planning 2011-12 – Prof. Erik Bohlin: Chalmers University of Technology	Shaw Centre Breakout Room, Room 212

TIME	SESSION	VENUE
15:00–16:00	Organising from Opposition Overcoming Political Oppression: from political prisoners and exiles to the liberal democratic governments of tomorrow     <i>Organised with: LI Human Rights Committee, ALDE Party and the Raoul Wallenberg Centre for Human Rights</i> <u>Remarks:</u> - Astrid Thors: Chairperson, Liberal International Human Rights Committee <u>Moderator:</u> - Hon. Irwin Cotler: PC OC OQ International Chair of the Raoul Wallenberg Centre for Human Rights Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada (2003-06) - Sviatlana Tsikhanouskaya (by video address): President of the Coordination Council of Belarus - Evgenia Kara-Muza: Project Manager, Free Russia Foundation, wife of Vladimir Kara Murza - Mardi Seng: Cambodian opposition leader, brother of Theary Seng - Felix Maradiaga: Nicaraguan Political Activist <u>Summation:</u> - Henrik Bach Mortenson: Vice President, Liberal International; Vice President, ALDE Party	Shaw Centre Plenary Room, Room 215
16:00–16:30	Coffee Break - European Liberal Forum 	Shaw Centre 2 nd Floor Foyer
16:00–16:45	International Officer Briefing - Azam Ishmael: National Director, Liberal Party of Canada	Shaw Centre Breakout Room, Room 212

TIME	SESSION	VENUE
16:30–17:30	Acting for Adaption: Exclusive COP 28 Briefing  <i>In partnership with the Liberal International Climate Justice Committee.</i> <u>Moderator:</u> - Lennart Salemink: Liberal International Treasurer, VVD International Secretary. <u>Discussants:</u> - Dr Hakima el Haité: President, Liberal International - Terry Duguid MP: Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of the Environment and Climate Change - Howard Thompson: Former Chief of the Mohawk Nation	Shaw Centre Plenary Room, Room 215
17:30–18:15	Saving Strangers: charting a liberal course for a global refugee policy <u>Chaired by:</u> - Hon. Lloyd Axworthy: Chair of the World Refugee & Migration Council <u>Discussants:</u> - Bassam Al-Kuwatli: President, Ahrar - The Syrian Liberal Party - Hon. Barbara Visser: Secretary of State for Defence, The Netherlands (2017-2021) - Hon. Allan Rock: Canadian Ambassador to the United Nations (2004-06); Minister of Justice (1993-97)	Shaw Centre Plenary Room, Room 215
19:30–21:30	Dinner  <i>Sponsored by FNF North America</i> <u>Opening Remarks:</u> - Prof. Karl Heinz Paqué: Chairperson, Liberal International Fair Trade Committee With special guest Rt. Hon. Jean Chrétien, Prime Minister of Canada (1993-2003) in conversation with Sir Graham Watson, Distinguished Visiting Fellow at the University of Toronto's Munk School of Global Affairs and Public Policy.	National Art Centre, O'Born Room 1 Elgin St, Ottawa, ON K1P 5W1
22:00–23:30	A fireside conversation on the future of Liberalism <i>Off-the-record informal exchange of ideas on liberalism's response to today's global challenges</i> Hosted by LI President of Honour, Lord Alderdice	Lord Elgin Hotel Mackenzie Room 100 Elgin St, Ottawa, ON K1P 5K8

TIME	SESSION	VENUE
08:00–09:00	Positioning Africa – the world’s essential partner in global peace and prosperity CEP CENTRE D'ÉTUDES PROSPECTIVES <i>In partnership with the Centre d'études prospectives (CEP)</i> <u>Moderator:</u> - Hon. Sidi Tiémoko Touré: Minister of Animal and Fisheries Resources, Government of Ivory Coast <u>Opening Remarks:</u> - Gilbert Ouédraogo: President, Africa Liberal Network <u>Contributors:</u> - H.E. Cellou Dalein Diallo: Former Prime Minister of Guinea, Leader of UFDG - Hon. Rob Oliphant MP: Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Foreign Affairs - Hon. Wendy Alexander MP: Secretary General, Africa Liberal Network - Hon. El Haji Omar Youm MP: RENEW PAC Vice President	Shaw Centre Plenary Room, Room 215
09:00–10:00	Democracies in Decline: Can we halt the hijacking of liberal politics and power? <u>Moderator:</u> - Mr Emil Kirjas: Non-executive Vice President Liberal International <u>Opening Address:</u> - Hon. Vlado Mirosevic MP: President of the Chilean Chamber of Deputies <u>Contributors:</u> - Anita Vandenbeld MP: Initiator of bi-partisan democracy caucus in the Canadian parliament - Hon. Liu, Shyh-Fang MP: Member of the Legislative Yuan (Taiwan) - Yair Zivan: Chief of Staff to former Prime Minister of Israel Yair Lapid	Shaw Centre Plenary Room, Room 215
10:00–10:30	Coffee Break	Shaw Centre 2 nd Floor Foyer

TIME	SESSION	VENUE
10:30–12:00	206 Executive Committee meeting: administrative session three - Presentation and voting on resolutions - Voting on membership application - Isaiah Berlin Lecture 2023 - Date and time of next Meeting - 206 Executive Committee Closing <u>Contributors:</u> - Dr Hakima el Haité: President, Liberal International - Dr Juli Minoves: President of Honour, Liberal International - William Townsend: Secretary General, Liberal International - Irene Wang: Human Rights Programme Officer, Liberal International	Shaw Centre Plenary Room, Room 215
12:00–13:30	Lunch <i>Sponsored by Renew Europe</i> Video message from Hon. Stéphanie Yon-Courtin MEP, Chair of the European Parliament Delegation for Relations with Canada	Lord Elgin Hotel, Pearson Room
18:45	Elie Wiesel Lectureship in Human Rights – Raoul Wallenberg Centre for Human Rights  <u>Opening Remarks:</u> Hon. Irwin Cotler: PC OC OQ International Chair of the Raoul Wallenberg Centre for Human Rights Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada (2003-06) <u>Speaker:</u> - Karim A. A. Khan: Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court <i>Although outside of the ExCom programme delegates are cordially invited to attend this prominent lecture please register here</i>	National Gallery of Canada 380 Sussex Drive Ottawa, ON, Canada K1N 9N4

SPEAKERS' PROFILES

Tuesday, 2 May

Bureau Meeting 12:00—13:30 *By invitation only*

206 Executive Committee meeting: administrative session one

14:00—15:30

Dr Hakima el Haité is a member of the executive board of Mouvement Populaire Morocco. Dr El Haité was elected as the 14th president of Liberal International at the 62nd Congress in Dakar, Senegal in 2018 and she is the first non-European president in LI's history and the second female. Dr El Haité is running for her second term as President of Liberal International.

Dr El Haité is an engineer and has two PhD's and is an internationally recognised leader in the fields of environment, sustainable development & climate change.

She currently advises Heads of State and multinational CEO's concerning climate issues. Dr El Haité was the former Minister of Environment for the Kingdom of Morocco. She was elected vice president of COP 21 (Paris Agreement) and appointed as Special Envoy and UN High-Level Champion of the International Climate Conference (COP 22).

In 2023 UN Secretary General Antonio Guterres appointed Dr El Haite to the UN Advisory Board of Eminent Persons on Zero Waste.



Hakima el Haité
President
Liberal International



William Townsend
Secretary General
Liberal International

William Townsend has worked in international relations and liberal politics for over ten years. Prior to joining the Liberal International secretariat in 2013, William managed local, national, and international elections for the Liberal Democrats (UK), planning target seat campaigns to deliver some of the party's best-ever results. Following a cross-party stint in advocacy campaigning for free and fair presidential elections in the Democratic Republic of Congo, where his writing won headlines in international news, William took up a position as an editorial assistant at the Royal African Society, writing on African politics and collaborating with international experts.

Prior to becoming secretary general, he served as the head of communications and political outreach for Liberal International, William has taken a leading role alongside the former secretary general and bureau to transform the work of LI. He has worked to make the federation the most visible political international in the world, conceptualised and actioned LI's most successful campaign, dramatically raised the quality and quantity of LI's digital and printed output, in addition to working with a wide range of international stakeholders to deliver political events on every continent in which LI has a member party.

Today he works closely to support LI member parties and is leading the secretariat in the establishment of the Global Liberal Parliamentarian's database and the LI-FNF global communications campaign to fight disinformation. William holds a master's degree from King's College, London.

Manfred R. Eisenbach is the secretary general of the Deutsche Gruppe der Liberal International (DGLI) as well as being a member of the Free Democratic Party (FDP) for half a century who is standing for re-election on Liberal International's Bureau.

With a background in law and economics, Eisenbach has served as managing director of the FDP Bundestag caucus for 25 years and is now an independent business consultant running two companies for the past 15 years. Eisenbach has had an extensive involvement in Liberal International, being involved in the constitutional reform process of LI and is working hard on a new financial charter which includes a better subscription scheme for the organisation. Both reforms will improve LI's governance and he hopes to accomplish these reforms at the 63rd Congress in Spring 2020.



Manfred R Eisenbach
Treasurer
Liberal International



Lennart Salemink
Treasurer
Liberal International

Lennart Salemink studied political sciences, business and public administration. Within the national presidency of the VVD he is responsible for international affairs. Lennart started his career at the VVD in 2009 where he worked at the party headquarters. Since then worked as a policy advisor on foreign affairs for the VVD in parliament and as chief political advisor to the Minister of Infrastructure and the Environment. For about ten years Mr Salemink has been active as a trainer for VVD international.

His motivation to hold this position for VVD International is his strong belief that liberal parties from all over the world have the moral obligation to inspire and strengthen each other. Our VVD political strategy is inspired by VVD's international allies, as they hope to bring the same inspiration in return. Besides his position in the VVD presidency, Lennart works as department head at the Ministry of Infrastructure.



FAIR TRADE
COMMITTEE

With Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine, the systemic rivalry between liberal democracy and authoritarianism has entered a new phase. Authoritarian regimes undermine the rules-based international order with their unfair trade practices, economic coercion and now even by military means. The war-induced disruptions of trade and supply-chains serve another blow to the global economy after the already two-years lasting COVID-19 pandemic. The international trade conference of the Friedrich Naumann Foundation for freedom in cooperation with LI's Fair Trade Committee seeks to explore the future of free and fair trade in the new geo-economic era. What principles guide liberal policy makers in addressing a multitude of challenges and how can we keep markets open without making them vulnerable to unfair trade practices and aggressive authoritarianism? How can we build a strong coalition and craft trade policies that makes the world safe for democracy again?



Francisco Winter
Member of the LI Fair Trade
Committee

Francisco Winter is the Country officer for Chile, Latin America and the Caribbean at World Bank Group. He is responsible for conducting the technical dialogue with the Government and supervising the portfolio of projects and operations that the Bank implements in the country. In addition, he is responsible for coordinating with multilateral organizations such as APEC, the COP and the Pacific Alliance where Chile is leading their Presidency for 2019 to 2020.

Prior to joining the World Bank, he was president of the NGO Postgraduates for Chile, leading the job of advising postgraduates applicants and delivering scholarships to vulnerable people. He also served as a Chief of Staff of the Chilean International Development Agency.

His interests are focused on social innovation, public and private entrepreneurship and international relations for development. He has supported the implementation of educational reforms in the field of postgraduate and also in the field of international development cooperation.

He graduated in business and administration from the los Andes University in Chile and has a Minor on Innovation from ESE Business School.

Professor Dr. Karl-Heinz Paqué is the chairman of the Friedrich Naumann Foundation for Freedom (FNF). As well as being a member of the Freie Demokratische Partei (FDP) federal executive committee, he was elected as one of the vice-presidents of Liberal International at the 70th-anniversary congress in Andorra in 2017. Prof. Paqué was elected Deputy President of Liberal International in 2018 at the 62nd Congress in Dakar and is running for his second term as Deputy President.

In addition to serving as minister of finance to the state of Saxony-Anhalt between 2002-06, Professor Paqué is today the Chair of International Economics at the Otto-von-Guericke-University of Magdeburg and Dean of the faculty of economics and management. He holds Ph. D. from the University of Kiel where he worked as a Professor, research director, and department head at the Kiel Institute for the World Economy from 1991-1996. Professor Paqué is the recipient of an honorary doctorate from the University of Miskolc, Hungary and is chief editor of the Journal *Perspektiven der Wirtschaftspolitik* of the German Economic Association.



Karl-Heinz Paqué
FDP
Germany



Judy Sgro

Chair of the House of Commons
Committee on International Trade

Hon. Judy Sgro MP has been the Liberal MP for Humber River – Black Creek (formerly York West) since 1999, advanced an agenda that is progressive and respectful of human rights, equality, and religious freedom.

Prior to federal politics, Judy represented her community on the North York City Council (1987 to 1994) and Toronto City Council (1995 to 1998) where she focused on poverty and crime reduction. It was this attachment to people that led Judy to Ottawa.

In Parliament, Judy developed national solutions to local problems. As Chair of the Prime Minister's Task Force on Urban Issues, she shaped policy on social housing, the creation of the gas tax rebate, and the promotion of human rights and religious freedoms. As Minister of Citizenship and Immigration, Judy championed family reunification and promoted systemic fairness.

In opposition, Judy focused on issues as the Official Opposition Critic for Seniors and Pensions, the Critic for Veterans Affairs, the Critic for the Status of Women,

and as the Liberal Industry Critic by releasing a Pension Reform White Paper, a study on Sexual Harassment in the RCMP, and a Pension Bill of Rights.

Judy chairs the Standing Committee on International Trade, the House Liaison Committee, the Canada-Taiwan Parliamentary Friendship Group, the Parliamentary Friends of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama'at, the Parliamentary Friends of Falun Gong, and the former past Chair of Standing Committee on Transport, Infrastructure and Communities and the Canada-Turkey Parliamentary Association. Judy was recognized as the recipient in the Best Mentor Category of Maclean's Parliamentarians of the Year awards in 2017 and 2018.

Dr. Ablassé Ouédraogo is a Burkinabé economist, diplomat and politician. He served as Minister of Foreign Affairs for Burkina Faso from 1994 to 1999. From 1999 to 2002, Ablassé Ouédraogo was the first African to serve as Deputy Director-General of the World Trade Organization (WTO). During his term, he successfully ushered Africa to the WTO and the WTO to Africa. In November 2000, he organized the first-ever conference for African Ministers of Trade in Libreville, Gabon, under the auspices of the WTO. From December 2003 to July 2007, Ouédraogo served as Senior Adviser for Africa to the President of the African Development Bank Group (ADB). From August 2007 to June 2008, Ouédraogo was Special Adviser to the President of the Commission of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) for trade negotiations.

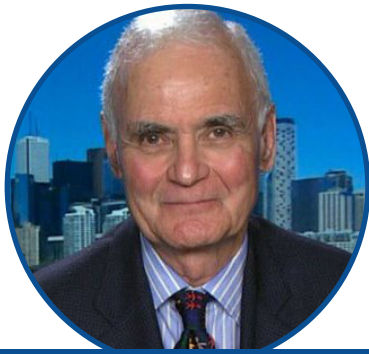


Ablassé Ouédraogo:
President
Le Faso Autrement



Andre Albinati
Board member
Canadian Science Policy Centre

Andre Albinati is Principal at Earncliffe Strategies. He is currently on the Board of the Canadian Science Policy Centre and is former president of the Government Relations Institute of Canada. Andre Albinati served as Senior Policy Advisor at the Canadian Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade to a federal cabinet minister in portfolio areas as diverse as international cooperation and development, social and skills policy as well as international trade in the management of Canada's multilateral trade agenda. Working on campaign policy development, Andre also participated as a member of the economic policy and transition teams for Prime Minister Paul Martin.



Larry Herman
Member of the LI Fair Trade
Committee

Larry Herman has practiced international trade and investment law and policy in government and in the private sector for over 45 years.

Lawrence Herman was a member of Canada's mission to the UN and the GATT in the 1970s and in private law practice acted as counsel for Canada in the International Court of Justice and has advocated cases before the Canadian International Trade Tribunal (CITT), NAFTA panels and Canadian courts. Mr. Herman advises governments, State agencies and international organizations on trade, economic sanctions and investment issues.

He is a Senior Fellow and member of the National Policy Council of the C. D. Howe Institute, a Fellow of the Canadian Global Affairs Institute, a member of Deputy Minister's Trade Advisory Council, the North American Forum and the Executive Committee of the Canada-US Law Institute. He is the immediate part chair of the Canadian International Trade Tribunal's National Advisory Committee.

Welcome Reception

18:00–20:00



Bio for Dr Hakima el Haité can be viewed earlier on in the [Speakers' Profile](#) section



Art Eggleton
President
CGLI

Sen. Art Eggleton is the President of the Canadian Group of Liberal International. He has served on the Liberal International Bureau for the past two years as a co-opted member, being the only representative from North America.

He has served the people of Canada and the City of Toronto in public office for over 45 years.

Starting with Toronto City Council where he was first elected in 1970. Subsequently elected Mayor of Toronto in 1980, serving 11 years, the longest serving mayor in the City's history.

In 1993, Art Eggleton was elected as a Liberal to the Parliament of Canada and was appointed to the cabinet where he served in three different portfolios over 9 years. In 2005 he was appointed to the Senate of Canada and served until his retirement in 2018.

Leah Taylor Roy MP is a Canadian politician who was elected to the riding of Aurora—Oak Ridges—Richmond Hill as a member of the Liberal Party in the 2021 Canadian federal election.



Leah Taylor Roy
on behalf of the Liberal Party
Canada Parliamentary Caucus

Wednesday, 3 May

206 Executive Committee meeting: administrative session two

09:00–09:45

Tribute to LI Patrons Hon. Bill Graham & Robert Woodthorpe Browne MBE on page: 49–53

Bio's for Dr Hakima el Haité & Prof. Karl-Heinz Paqué can be viewed earlier on in the Speakers' Profile section



Astrid Thors
Chairperson
LI Human Rights Committee

Astrid Thors is a lawyer, a Finnish politician and the former Organisation for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) High Commissioner on National Minorities (2013-2016). She was elected vice-president at LI's 62nd congress in Dakar in 2018. Ms Thors has been chairperson of the Liberal International Human Rights Committee since 2019.

Ms Thors has extensive experience in international politics and human rights. She served parliamentary terms in the European Parliament (1996-2000) and in the Finnish Parliament (2004-2013), where she was the Finnish Minister of Migration and European Affairs (2007-11).

Astrid Thors was vice chair of the Swedish People's Party of Finland (SFP) between 1992-2000 and the chair of the youth branch of the party 1981-83. She was also elected vice-president of ELDR (now ALDE) 2011-13.

A lawyer by education, Ms Thors has held numerous high-level positions related to justice and human rights – including as the chair of the National Committee of

Unicef Finland 2000-05 and as an advisor to ministers of justice, defence and European affairs. She has also chaired the Advisory Board on Human Rights of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland and the Refugee Advisory Council.

David Zimmer is a former politician in Ontario, Canada. He was the Liberal member of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario for Willowdale from 2003 to 2018. He was a member of cabinet in the government of Kathleen Wynne. He was the longest serving minister of aboriginal/indigenous affairs in Ontario history to date.



David Zimmer
Deputy Chairperson
LI Climate Justice Committee

Keynote address

09:45–10:15

Bio's for Dr Hakima el Haité & Sen. Art Eggleton can be viewed earlier on in the Speakers' Profile section

Liberal International 206th Executive Committee Official Photo

10:15–10:30

Coffee break

10:30–11:00

Parallel session. If your party has only 1 delegate, it is advised that you attend this working group on resolutions. If your party has submitted resolutions or amendments, you must attend this session to speak for any amendments or to defend your resolution.

Dr Juli Minoves was elected as the 13th president of Liberal International at the 59th Congress in Rotterdam, The Netherlands. An Andorran politician and the country's longest serving foreign minister he is now an academic; as president, Dr Minoves took Liberal International on a journey of ideas that culminated in a liberal manifesto for the twenty-first century, adopted in 2017 – the first ever adopted outside of Oxford, UK.

Starting his professional life as a diplomat, Dr Minoves served his country in many Ambassadorial posts, including to the United Nations, the United States of America, United Kingdom, Spain, and the World Trade Organisation. Among his political feats, he is one of the signatories of the Rome Statutes that founded the International Criminal Court.

Dr Minoves speaks seven languages and holds a PhD from Yale University.



Juli Minoves
President of Honour
Liberal International



Irene Wang
Human Rights Programme Officer
Liberal International

Irene Wang joined the Liberal International Secretariat as the Human Rights Programme Officer in May 2021.

As Human Rights Programme Officer, Irene supports the programmatic work of Liberal International's human rights committee. Ms Wang, among other things, works on the committee's three focus areas: women in politics, digitalisation, and defending the democratic space. In addition, she supports the activities of the Secretariat and promotes Liberal International's presence in the international human rights community.

Prior to joining Liberal International, Ms Wang worked for the Canadian government in immigration policy and employment and social development. She has also conducted research under Cuso International, the African Court Research Initiative, and Global Mobility of Talent Research Group on developing initiatives for women's economic empowerment in Asia, the strategy of the African Union in International Criminal Court proceedings, and regional barriers to migration, respectively. In 2019, she was selected as a Climate Ambassador for a grassroots

advocacy campaign, where she endorsed carbon emissions reduction strategies.

Ms Wang recently completed her Master's degree in International Political Economy at the London School of Economics. She also holds a Bachelor's degree in Global and International Studies, specialising in Global Politics and Economics, from Carleton University.

Preparing to win on election day:
A best practice master-class with 'Team Trudeau'

11:00–11:45

Parallel session.

Mike Rosati is the Senior Director of Political Operations for the Liberal Party of Canada. Prior to his appointment, he was the Campaign Director where Mike directed a team of 14 staff that elected 78/121 Liberal Members of Parliament in Ontario. His responsibilities included tactical operations and strategic decision making to maximize campaign efficiencies.



Mike Rosati
Senior director of political
operations, LPC

Taking Command of Political Communication:
breaking through the digital sound barrier

12:00–12:45

Parallel session.



Matt McMillan
President
Buzzmaker

Matt McMillan is an award winning global political and public affairs consultant that has worked at the highest levels of politics in 40 countries, regions and territories around the world. He was named the Political Consultant of the Year by the Napolitan Victory Awards (2021). His firm was named Best International Firm at the Reed Awards sponsored by Campaigns & Elections magazine (2022). He was named to the American Association of Political Consultants' 40 under 40 (class of 2016) and as a Rising Star of political consulting by Campaigns & Elections (class of 2006). He has won 53 Pollie Awards (American Association of Political Consulting), 42 Reed Awards & Finalists (Campaigns & Elections magazine) and 10 Polaris Awards (formerly European Association of Political Consultants) for outstanding political communication. These awards are for outstanding video ads, radio ads, print ads, outdoor ads, digital ads, websites, digital campaigns, social media, online fundraising efforts and more. In support of the Liberal family, he organized a study tour for the Africa Liberal Network, he conducted trainings for the Council of Asian Liberals and Democrats and he coordinated study tours to the Iowa Caucuses and Midterm Elections for the Alliance of Liberals & Democrats for Europe (ALDE). He served on the Board of Directors of the International Association of Political Consultants (2011-2015), chaired the organizations 2013 World Conference and chaired the AAPC Pollie Awards & Conference in 2016 and 2017. He received a bachelor's degree in political science and history from Columbia University (class of 2003). In college, he was ranked among the top 10 collegiate debaters in North America.

Networking Lunch – hosted by ALDE Party

13:00–14:00



Parallel session.

Delegates should note that the official requests from new and upgrading parties can be found in the 206th ExCom mailing, circulated to the international officers of LI member parties ahead of the ExCom opening.

Bio for William Townsend can be viewed earlier on in the Speakers' Profile section



**Evopoli
Chile**

Existing observer member
– upgrade



**Republican Movement
Republic of Congo**

New applicant
observer membership



**El Adl
Egypt**

New applicant
observer membership



**Liberal Party of Ghana
Ghana**

New applicant
observer membership



**Golos
Ukraine**

New applicant
observer membership



**Candlelight Party
Cambodia**

New applicant
full membership



**Democratic Party of Kosovo
Kosovo**

New applicant
full membership



**European Liberal Forum
Europe**

New applicant
cooperating organisation

Parallel session.



Nations worldwide are working to create and implement digital strategies that align with their values and goals. While Europe, the United States, and other like-minded partners prioritise a human-centred approach to technological development, their competitors follow alternative paths. For liberal democracies, this means championing privacy, human rights, and democratic principles, while for the others, it involves leveraging technology to strengthen surveillance, controlling information, and authoritarianism. This divergence in approaches has given rise to the creation of blocks, with many digital Iron Curtains spreading across Cyberspace, ultimately leading to a “clash of digitalisation”.

The question, “A Clash of Digitalisations: Is Technology Dismantling Democracy?” raises critical concerns about the role of technology in today’s world. Technology undeniably simplifies everyday lives for many however its impact on the delicate balance between civil society and politics is increasingly worrisome. The rapid fraying of the threads that bind the social fabric together, driven by the pervasive influence of technology, necessitates a deeper examination of the future of democracy and the implications of technological advancements on global power dynamics. As nations continue to navigate the complexities of the digital age, it is crucial to consider how technology may either strengthen or undermine the most relevant of our critical infrastructures: our democratic values and institutions. Employing a liberal compass appears to be the most effective approach for navigating these turbulent waters.



Milosz Hodun
Board Member
European Liberal Forum

Dr Milosz Hodun, PhD, is international officer of Projekt: Polska Association and international advisor at Nowoczesna, Polish liberal party. He is a member of the Board of Directors of the European Liberal Forum, think tank of the ALDE Party, a part-time teacher at Reykjavik University School of Law and former negotiations tracker at UNFCCC events.

Francesco Cappelletti is a Policy and Research Officer at the European Liberal Forum. His research looks at cybersecurity and public-private partnerships, digitalisation, artificial intelligence, new technologies, EU foreign and security policy, security and defence and techno-sustainability.



Francesco Cappelletti
Policy and Research Officer
European Liberal Forum



Erin Kelly
President of Advanced
Symbolics Incorporated

Erin Kelly is CEO of data science firm Advanced Symbolics, which specializes in Predictive Modeling. She is also an active member with the Young Presidents Organization (YPO), an association for Entrepreneurs who meet for learning and idea exchange.

Andy Wong is a Policy Researcher at Canada-Hong Kong Link (CHKL), promoting freedom and democracy in Hong Kong, civic participation of Hongkongers in Canada, and policies that safeguard Canadian democracy and interests. Before joining CHKL, he was a Lecturer at the Education University of Hong Kong. He holds an MSc in Comparative Politics from the London School of Economics and Political Science and an MA in Communication from the Hong Kong Baptist University. His academic interest includes Democratization, Hong Kong Studies, and Political Communication. Advocating for the democracy and autonomy of Hong Kong since 2014, his articles were published on Apple Daily and Standnews, which have both been purged by Beijing.



Andy Wong
Policy Researcher
Canada-Hong Kong Link



Kira Rudik
Party Leader
Golos (Ukraine)

Kira Rudyk MP is a Ukrainian politician and current leader of the political party Golos "Voice" and since 2019 a member of the Verkhovna Rada and served as the First Deputy Chairman of the Verkhovna Rada Committee on Digital Transformation. Prior to joining politics, she was an IT entrepreneur who headed Ring Ukraine. She is in the TOP-100 most influential women of Ukraine according to the magazines "Focus" and "Novoe Vremya". A graduate of the Stanford Women's Leadership Programme. After Russia invaded Ukraine, Rudyk joined the armed resistance.

Sen. Felipe Kast is the former president of Evópoli and a social policy consultant for the World Bank and the Center for International Development at Harvard University. Sen Kast has served on the permanent committees of the Treasury; Housing and Urbanism, and Health since 2022. He has twice chaired the permanent commission on Public Safety in March 2020 and March 2023. Also in 2023 he was appointed as the President of the Security Commission of the Senate.

From November 11, 2021 until March 10, 2022, Sen. Kast was a member of the Permanent Commission on Human Rights, Nationality and Citizenship.

In August 2009, he joined the Instituto Libertad y Desarrollo as a researcher and director of the Social Area. In that institution he created the Center for Public Ideas, responsible for conducting seminars and working commissions on social issues.



Felipe Kast
Founder
Evopoli (Chile)



Erik Bohlin
Chalmers University
of Technology

Erik Bohlin is Professor at the Department of Technology Management & Economics at Chalmers University of Technology. He has published in a number of areas relating to the information society - policy, strategy, and management. He is Editor-in-Chief of The Journal of Telecommunications Policy. He obtained his graduate degree in Business Administration and Economics at the Stockholm School of Economics (1987) and his Ph.D. at Chalmers University of Technology (1995).

Organising from Opposition, Overcoming Political Oppression: from political prisoners and exiles to the liberal-democratic governments of tomorrow

15:00–16:00

Parallel session.



The arbitrary detention of dissidents is a brutal tool used by governments to stamp out opposition. Prisoners of conscience are often subject to sham trials, deprived of their human rights, and subject to inhumane treatment. The international community has the power to ensure that those locked up from public view do not disappear and are not forgotten.

Liberal International's Human Rights Committee has been a passionate advocate for political prisoners and imprisoned liberal leaders.

This panel will hear from relatives of political prisoners as well as from former political prisoners. They will share their personal experiences on what it is like to live in fear and uncertainty about their future and the future for their loved ones, what it is like to be forced to leave their home country without knowing when it is safe to return and the fear for their loved ones' lives and the uncertainty of not knowing if their well-being is being prioritised.

In organising a panel on the de facto living conditions of a political prisoner or as a relative to one, LI HRC, ALDE and the Raoul Wallenberg Centre hopes to achieve more recognition of the urgent human rights matter that is the imprisonment of persons on political grounds.

[Bio for Astrid Thors can be viewed earlier on in the Speakers' Profile section](#)



Irwin Cotler
Chair
Raoul Wallenberg Centre

Hon. Irwin Cotler is the Chair of the Raoul Wallenberg Centre for Human Rights, an Emeritus. Professor of Law at McGill University, former Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada and longtime Member of Parliament, and an international human rights lawyer.

A leading Parliamentarian on the global stage, he has been Chair of the Inter-Parliamentary Group for Human Rights in Iran; Chair of the Inter-Parliamentary Group of Justice for Sergei Magnitsky; Chair of the All-Party Save Darfur Parliamentary Coalition; Chair, Canadian section, of the Parliamentarians for Global Action and Member of its international council.

He is the recipient of thirteen honorary doctorates, where he has been recognised as “a scholar and advocate of international stature” (as cited in his various honorary doctorates). He has been named an Officer of the Order of Canada, an Officer of the National Order of Quebec, and is the recipient also of the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal. He has been awarded the Canadian Bar Association's President's Award; was the first Canadian recipient of the International Raoul Wallenberg Foundation's Centennial Medal.

Sviatlana Heorhiyeuna Tsikhanouskaya is a Belarusian political activist. She stood for election in the 2020 Belarusian presidential election as the main opposition candidate after her husband, Sergei Tikhanovsky, the previous candidate, was arrested in Hrodna by Belarusian authorities. Since August 2020, she has conducted her opposition activity in exile from Poland then Lithuania. Tsikhanouskaya is wanted by the state of Belarus for conspiracy to seize state power, the creation of an extremist formation, and public calls for the seizure of power, and in March 2023 was sentenced in-absentia to a 15-year jail term.



Sviatlana Tsikhanouskaya
President of the Coordination
Council of Belarus



Evgenia Kara-Murza
Project Manager
Free Russia Foundation

Evgenia Kara-Murza is the Advocacy Coordinator at the Free Russia Foundation, a nonprofit, nonpartisan international organization supporting civil society and democratic development in Russia, and wife of Russian opposition leader Vladimir Kara-Murza. She was born in Russia's Far East, graduated with honors from the Moscow State Linguistic University and worked as a translator and interpreter in Russian, English, and French for pro-democracy NGOs including the International Centre on Nonviolent Conflict, the Institute of Modern Russia, and Pen America, before joining her husband in advocating for human rights accountability and promoting civil society and democratic change in Russia.

Mardi Seng is a Cambodian opposition leader and the brother of jailed activist Theary Seng.



Mardi Seng
Cambodian opposition
leader



Felix Maradiaga
Nicaraguan Political Activist

Felix Maradiaga is a political activist dedicated to strengthening peace, democracy, and the rule of law in Nicaragua. An outspoken critic of President Daniel Ortega, Maradiaga was arrested in 2021 and held in solitary confinement. In February, he and 221 other prisoners of conscience were released and sent to the United States.

Henrik Bach Mortensen has been engaged in international political affairs for many years: Chairman of the Danish Institute of Parties and Democracy (DIPD) and involved in democracy projects and partnerships in Latin America, South Africa, Burkina Faso, Kenya, Ghana, Egypt, Nepal, Bhutan, Myanmar and in Europe. Board member of the Danish-Taiwanese Society. Vice President in ALDE (ends the three terms period of next year). Chairman of the ALDE policy committee on EU-China relations. Member of the RENEW Task Force for elections to the European Parliament in 2024.

Has been a delegate to the UN General Assembly and member of policy committees in the OECD and board member of EU institutions related to education and the labour market. Involvement in US politics through Conventions and Primary elections. He is a member of the Danish Liberal Party (Venstre).



Henrik Bach Mortensen
Vice President
LI & ALDE Party



Parallel session.



Azam Ishmael
National Director
Liberal Party of Canada

Azam Ishmael has served as National Director of the Liberal Party of Canada since 2017, and more recently was appointed by Prime Minister Justin Trudeau as the National Campaign Director for the 2021 federal election campaign. As National Director, Ishmael oversees the management and supervision of all activities, affairs, and finances of the Party.

As the 2021 National Campaign Director, Ishmael led an innovative team across Canada to win a third consecutive mandate for Justin Trudeau and a re-elected Liberal government.

Ishmael's earlier responsibilities with the Liberal Party of Canada included serving as Get-Out-The-Vote Director for the Liberal Party of Canada in the historic 2015 election campaign, and pioneering the party's commitment to innovative campaign technologies, in roles that included field training with grassroots supporters from coast to coast to coast.

Ishmael has a long record of leadership on campaigns, governments, and other provincial and national organizations across Canada. He has served as a Senior

Policy Analyst to the Government of Nova Scotia in its Office of Planning and Priorities, Senior Advisor to the Minister of Education and Minister of Rural Affairs for the Government of Ontario, and as Executive Director of the Liberal Caucus Service Bureau in Ontario. He also served as President of Data Sciences Inc. in 2016, working with a group of leading experts in the fields of data analytics, digital marketing, and engagement campaigns in support of a variety of Canadian non-profits, political parties, and major companies.

Born in Chateauguay, QC, Azam is fluently bilingual in both French and English, has a reputation as a passionate and articulate communicator, and has been invited to speak at events across Canada for his expertise in advocacy and mobilization.



Bio for Lennart Salemink & Dr Hakima el Haite can be viewed earlier on in the Speakers' Profile section

Terry Duguid MP was first elected as the Member of Parliament for Winnipeg South in 2015.

Mr. Duguid has previously served as Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Economic Development and Official Languages (Western Economic Diversification Canada) and to the Minister of Environment and Climate Change (Canada Water Agency), Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Women and Gender Equality, and Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Families, Children and Social Development.

With a diverse background in civic government, business, and environmental leadership, Mr. Duguid has shown a strong commitment to public service throughout his career. In 1997, he founded Sustainable Developments International, a firm specializing in environmental management, sustainable development, transportation, and international affairs consulting. In 2000, he was named Chairman of the Manitoba Clean Environment Commission, and, in 2004, he became President and CEO of the International Centre for Infectious Diseases, a non-profit research organization he helped to create.

In addition to his professional career, Mr. Duguid has devoted considerable time and effort to his community. He served as Executive Director of the Manitoba Climate Change Task Force in 2001, as Chair of the Nature Task Force in 2003, and as a member of the Manitoba Emissions Trading Task Force in 2004.

Mr. Duguid has a lifelong interest in science and its role in the betterment of society. He earned first-class honours while obtaining his Bachelor of Science degree in Biology from Carleton University. He also holds a Master in Environmental Design from the University of Calgary, with a focus on tackling the crucial issues of water quality, ozone depletion, and acid rain.



Terry Duguid
Parliamentary Secretary
to the Minister of Environment



Howard Thompson
Former Chief of
the Mohawk Nation

Howard Thompson, also known as Chief Big Eagle in the Mohawk Nation where he has served as Chief for 17 years. He has extensive indigenous environmental knowledge and has participated in many climate change meetings including COP gatherings and other international fora.

The global refugee crisis has more than doubled in scope in the past decade. In 2022, the UNHCR announced that we had surpassed the 100 million mark for total displacement, meaning that over 1.2% of the global population have been forced to leave their homes. Such is the scale of the crisis that, in 2018, the United Nations General Assembly adopted the Global Compact on Refugees as a framework for more predictable and equitable responsibility-sharing, recognizing that a sustainable solution to refugee situations cannot be achieved without international cooperation. With a panel formed of internationally renowned experts, exchanges will also look at the structural conditions that give rise to (in)security situations compelling people to become displaced from their homes and what a liberal framework for development of a globally-conscious refugee system should look like.



Lloyd Axworthy
Chair of the World Refugee
& Migration Council

Hon. Lloyd Norman Axworthy, PC CC OM, is a Canadian politician, elder statesman and academic. He served as Minister of Foreign Affairs in the Cabinet chaired by Prime Minister Jean Chrétien. Following his retirement from parliament, he served as president and vice-chancellor of the University of Winnipeg from 2004 to 2014 and as chancellor of St. Paul's University College (a constituent institution of the University of Waterloo). He is currently the Chair of the World Refugee & Migration Council.



Bassam Al-Kuwatli
Leader
Ahrar (Syria)

Bassam Al-Kuwatli is the leader and co-founder of Ahrar - Liberal Party of Syria which joined Liberal International as an observer member at the 75th anniversary congress in Sofia last year.

Ahrar aims at creating a modern, unified Syrian state that adopts democratic values and systems, the International Bill of Human Rights, as well as other charters and international agreements that guarantee individual freedoms.



Barbara Visser
Secretary of State for Defence,
The Netherlands (2017-2021)

Hon. Barbara Visser was the Dutch Minister of Infrastructure and Water Management in the Rutte III cabinet from 31 August 2021 to 10 January 2022. Before that, she was Secretary State for Defence from 26 October 2017 to 31 August 2021. From 2012 to 2017, Hon. Visser was a Member of Parliament for the People's Party for Freedom and Democracy (VVD). As a Member of Parliament, she was spokesperson for housing, traffic, water, aviation and fisheries. In 2010-2012 she was alderman in the municipality of Zaanstad and before that she worked in business and at the tax authorities.

Hon. Allan Michael Rock PC CM OOnt KC is a Canadian lawyer, former politician, diplomat and university administrator. He was Canada's ambassador to the United Nations (2004–2006) and had previously served in the Cabinet of Jean Chrétien, most notably as Justice Minister (1993–1997) and Health Minister (1997–2002).



Allan Rock
Canadian Ambassador to the
United Nations (2004-06)



Bio for Prof. Karl-Heinz Paqué can be viewed earlier on in the Speakers' Profile section

Rt Hon. Jean Chrétien is one of Canada's most successful political leaders, serving as our 20th Prime Minister from 1993 to 2003. Born and raised in Quebec, the 18th of 19 children (ten of whom did not survive infancy), Chrétien proudly wore his humble origins as "the little guy from Shawinigan".

A law graduate from Université Laval, he was first elected to the House of Commons in 1963 and served in various cabinet posts under prime ministers Pearson and Trudeau, most notably as Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development, Minister of Justice – where he negotiated the Charter of Rights and Freedoms – and Minister of Finance.

In 1990, Jean Chrétien became leader of the Liberal Party of Canada, and led the party to majority governments in 1993, 1997 and 2000.



Jean Chrétien
Prime Minister of Canada
(1993-2003)



Sir Graham Watson is the former leader of the ALDE Party, a secretary general of IFLRY, and five-times elected a Liberal Democrat (UK) Member of the European Parliament – was awarded the medal of liberalism in Bulgaria, in the presence of delegates to the ALDE party council meeting. Sir Graham has, since 1979, worked to advance liberal values in his home country, across Europe and around the world.

Graham Watson
Distinguished Visiting Fellow
University of Toronto's Munk School



Lord Alderdice
LI President of Honour

Lord John Alderdice is a Northern Irish parliamentarian who has held numerous senior roles in UK politics, as well as serving as LI president 2005-09. With a lifetime's work dedicated to peacebuilding, today Lord Alderdice is the director of the Centre for the Resolution of Intractable Conflict, at the University of Oxford.

A former leader of the Alliance Party, Lord Alderdice was made a Liberal Democrat Life Peer in the UK House of Lords in 1996 and then became the first Speaker of the Northern Ireland Assembly (1998-2004) following the Good Friday Agreement. Prior to entering politics, he was a psychiatrist.

Lord Alderdice is the recipient of many international awards and honours, recognising his global efforts to bring about peaceful conclusions to violent conflict. Notably, he has been presented with the John F Kennedy Profiles in Courage Award; the W. Averell Harriman Democracy Award; the Silver Medal of Congress of Peru, and the Freedom of the City of Baltimore.

Thursday, 4 May

Positioning Africa – the world's essential partner in global peace and prosperity

08:00–09:00

CEP
CENTRE D'ÉTUDES
PROSPECTIVES

Our continent is facing many challenges... but foresight is a major tool for the geostrategic positioning of Africa.' This was the message conveyed by Minister Sidi Touré Tiémoko at the international conference organised by the Centre d'études Prospectives (CEP) in October last year. 8 months on and with threats from climate change and desertification to Russia's war in Ukraine and regional security intensifying, Africa's leaders are cautioning that time is running out for the continent to take destiny into its own hands. This panel convenes to discuss today's challenges and how liberals in African countries can - from government or opposition, and in partnership with the international community - move beyond the notion of 'a continent that suffers', as the CEP conference noted, to better coordinate geopolitical strategies that recognise Africa as an indispensable actor on a global stage in which the spread of liberal-democratic values can and must be intensified.



Sidi Tiémoko Touré
Minister of Animal and
Fisheries Resources

Hon. Sidi Tiémoko Touré is the current Ivorian Minister of Fisheries and Animal Resources and has been since April 6, 2021 in the second Patrick Achi's Government Patrick Achi. Sidi served as deputy for the Béoumi district from 2016 to 2021.

Gilbert Noël Ouédraogo is a Burkinabé politician who has been President of the Alliance for Democracy and Federation–African Democratic Rally (ADF-RDA) in Burkina Faso, since 2003. He served in the government of Burkina Faso as Minister of Social Action and National Solidarity from 2000 to 2002 and as Minister of Transport from 2006 to 2013. He was the Fourth Vice-President of the National Assembly of Burkina Faso from 2013 to 2014.

Mr Ouédraogo is the President of the Africa Liberal Network.



Gilbert Noël Ouédraogo
President
Africa Liberal Network



Cellou Dalein Diallo
Leader
UFDG

H.E. Cellou Dalein Diallo is a Guinean economist and politician, was successively Director of Accounting and Budget, Director of Foreign Exchange and Director General of Economic and Monetary Affairs at the Central Bank of Guinea. From 1985 to 1995, he actively weighed in and promoted the restructuring of the banking system and in the implementation of major reforms that led to the liberalisation of the Guinean economy. Cellou Dalein Diallo was Prime Minister of the Republic of Guinea (2004-2006).

From 2007, as an entrusted statesman, he took over the leadership of the UFDG (Union of Democratic Forces of Guinea) and built it from the ground up, making it Guinea's official opposition party. Cellou Dalein Diallo was the leading candidate in Guinea's 2010 presidential election when, out of 24 candidates, he gained 44% of the valid votes. In 2018, in Dakar, Cellou Dalein Diallo was elected Vice President on the Bureau of Liberal International.

Hon. Robert Oliphant MP (born June 7, 1956) is a Canadian politician. He served in the House of Commons as a Liberal Member of Parliament for the Toronto riding of Don Valley West from 2008 to 2011. He returned to office after re-election in 2015 and subsequently in 2019.

Rob currently holds the office of Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Foreign Affairs Mélanie Joly, a role he also served under Joly's three predecessors.



Rob Oliphant
Parliamentary Secretary
to the Minister of Foreign



Wendy Alexander
Secretary General
Africa Liberal Network

Hon. Wendy Alexander MP was born in Empangeni, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa. She represents the Democratic Alliance, as a member of Parliament in South Africa. As a Parliamentarian she sits on the Finance committee portfolio.

She was recently appointed as the Secretary-General for the African Liberal Network. She has served as a councillor in the City of Johannesburg since for 7 years. In her tenure as a council within the city, she was elected as the chairperson of the Oversight Committee for Transportation.

Her academic qualifications include an honours degree from the University of Pretoria and a qualification in Leadership in Municipal Governance from the Wits School of Governance. She has trained as a mediator, with a specialty in family law mediation. In addition, she serves on the board of the South African Guide Dog Association. As a puppy raiser she has raised two guide dogs that have gone

on to serve as guide dogs for the blind. Outside of her government work, she runs a business development company with a focus on integrated marketing and mediation services. She has a passion for adventure, and she enjoys riding motorcycles and is currently pursuing a recreational pilot's license for a gyrocopter.

Hon. El Hadji Omar Youm is a Senegalese politician and member of Alliance Pour La Republique (Senegal). The promotion of liberalism, helping local communities and creating opportunities for the people have been his life's commitment.

Youm holds a Masters in Law from University Cheikh Anta Diop in Dakar and has trained in civil and commercial law. His passion for politics started as a young liberal under Maître Wade (a former President of Senegal). He served as co-treasurer of Liberal International from (2018-2022).



El Hajji Omar Youm
RENEW PAC Vice President

Democracies in decline: Can we halt the hijacking of politics and power?

09:00–10:00

The level of democracy for the average global citizen by 2022 was back to 1986. According to the V-Dem Institute at the University of Gothenburg, globally democracy hasn't just stalled it's in reverse - for the last 17 years democracy has been in decline. Using millions of data points, academics have worked hard to identify and draw out these trends in global politics. Now, drawing on their experience and observations from front-line politics across four regions of the world, the contributors to this high-level panel are tasked with highlighting what liberal-democrats must do to curb the further slide towards populism and autocratisation and ensure that democracy means more to the citizens than elections every few years.



Emil Kirjas

Non-Executive Vice President
Liberal International

Emil Kirjas is the Founder of Kirjas Global Ltd, a former Secretary-General of Liberal International as well as a Non-Executive Vice President.

From 2004-2006 he was State Secretary for Foreign Affairs in the Government of the Republic of Macedonia. He has extensive experience in various international organisations and institutions, including the Council of Europe, the Organisation for Security and Cooperation in Europe, Friedrich Naumann Foundation for Freedom, and the International Federation of Liberal Youth, of which he is a former president.

Mr Kirjas is frequently invited to address issues of geopolitics and transformative powers and of political strategy and communication at conferences worldwide. He holds a Master's Degree in Geopolitics from King's College in London.



Vlado Mirosevic

President of the Chilean
Chamber of Deputies

Vlado Mirosevic Verdugo is a Chilean political scientist and politician who currently serves as President of the Chamber of Deputies of Chile. He is one of the founders of the Liberal Party of Chile and served as its president until January 2016. He has since 2014 been serving as deputy for the 1st district, the Region of Arica and Parinacota.



Anita Vandenberg

Initiator of bi-partisan democracy
caucus in the Canadian parliament

Anita Vandenberg MP is a Canadian politician, who was elected to represent the riding of Ottawa West–Nepean for the Liberal Party of Canada in the House of Commons of Canada in the 2015 Canadian federal election. She was re-elected in the same riding in 2019, and re-elected in 2021.

Hon. Liu Shyh-fang MP is a Taiwanese politician. She graduated from the Oklahoma State University and is a member of the Democratic Progressive Party. She was deputy secretary-general of the office of President Chen Shui-bian.



Liu, Shyh-Fang

Member of the
Legislative Yuan



Yair Zivan

Senior Advisor to former Prime
Minister of Israel Yair Lapid

Yair Zivan is Senior Advisor to Yesh Atid Leader Yair Lapid, serving with him since 2014 during his tenures as Finance Minister, Leader of the Opposition, Foreign Minister and Prime Minister. During this period, he has served as Diplomatic Advisor to the Prime Minister and Senior Foreign Affairs Advisor to the Foreign Minister. Yair led Yesh Atid's international relations including overseeing the application process to the Liberal International and building relations with like-minded parties across the world.

Before working for Mr. Lapid he was International Media Spokesperson for President Shimon Peres. He has a BA in History from University College London and an MA in Government from Herzliya University. He is currently authoring and editing a book on political centrism which is due to be published in mid-2024.

Coffee break

10:00–10:30

206 Executive Committee meeting: administrative session three

10:30-12:00

Bio for this session can be viewed earlier on in the [Speakers' Profile](#) section

Lunch

12:00–13:30

**renew
europe.**

Stéphanie Yon-Courtin is a French MEP for the La République En Marche! party, part of the Renew Europe group. She was elected in May 2019 to the European Parliament where she is the vice-chair of the committee on economic and monetary affairs (ECON). Yon-Courtin is also a substitute member in the internal market and consumer protection committee (IMCO) and in the tax matters sub-committee (FISC). In addition, she is the chair of the delegation for relations with Canada and a member of the delegation for relations with the United States



Stéphanie Yon-Courtin

Chair of the European Parliament
Delegation for Relations with Canada



Although outside of the ExCom programme delegates are cordially invited to attend this prominent lecture

On 12 February 2021, Mr **Karim A. A. Khan** QC was elected as Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court (ICC) at the nineteenth session of the Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute in New York.

Karim is a barrister and Queen's Counsel with more than 25 years of professional experience as an international criminal law and human rights lawyer. He has extensive experience as a prosecutor, victim's counsel and defence lawyer in domestic and international criminal tribunals, including, but not limited to, the International Criminal Court, International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda, International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia, the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia, the Special Tribunal for Lebanon and the Special Court for Sierra Leone. He has also represented victims of human rights violations in Africa and Asia.



Karim A. A. Khan
Prosecutor of the International
Criminal Court

VOTING AND DELEGATES

Issuance of Votes:

During the 206th Executive Committee Meeting in Ottawa, **eligible voting delegates** will be able to vote on important organisational matters that determine the direction of LI ranging from new and upgrading member parties, resolutions, amendments and other statutory elements.

The LI secretariat will prepare your party's paper votes in advance of the ExCom and the international officer or authorised person will be responsible for signing and collecting the votes at registration. Do not lose your voting cards – they cannot be reissued.

Once your selected voting delegate has signed for your party's votes they are responsible and should ensure that they are present at all voting sessions. If your voting delegate is not in the session during voting, they cannot give their votes to another member of your delegation.

[Patrons](#) & [Bureau members](#) each have a **personal vote** and cannot take proxy votes of another patron/bureau member.

Voting Delegates:

According to the [Liberal International constitution](#), **one basic delegate** per member organisation, plus one additional delegate for parties that were entitled to fifteen votes or more under the rule of Article 19 (c) (i and ii) at the most recent Congress is granted at the Executive Committee.

Observer Organisations and **Cooperating Organisations** will each have a maximum of three non-voting delegates at the Congress, and **one non-voting delegate at the Executive Committee.**

For members who have not yet paid their fees:

Noting the upcoming Executive Committee meeting, LI must draw the attention of member parties who are yet to pay their 2023 membership subscription to Article 47. 4 of [LI's governing constitution](#), which states that fees must be received by 1st May and that **voting rights shall be suspended** if membership fees have not been paid at the commencement of the Executive Committee meeting.

In late January/early February 2023, your international officer received a dedicated email with your party's 2023 membership fee, a statement of account, and a detailed cover letter reflecting some of our key achievements following last year's 75th anniversary congress in 2022.

If you did not receive your invoice at the beginning of the year, or your party's International Officer has changed since then, please do not hesitate to contact the LI secretariat: office@liberal-international.org

IN MEMORIAM TRIBUTES

Tribute to LI Patron Hon. Bill Graham (1939-2022)



The Honourable Bill Graham an honorary patron of Liberal International and Honourary President of the Canadian Group of Liberal International passed away last August.

Bill was a lawyer, academic, and served in public office for many years. He was minister of foreign affairs, minister of national defence, leader of the opposition and interim leader of the Liberal Party of Canada. After leaving politics, he was the chancellor of Trinity College at the University of Toronto.

In the 1990s he served as the Liberal Party of Canada representative to Liberal international, specifically serving on the Bureau as Treasurer for some of those years. He strongly believed in advancing democracy, human rights, and other liberal values internationally. He supported LI and the Canadian Group in such endeavours until his passing.

As one of his colleagues said upon learning of his death: "It is hard not to admire Bill Graham for his brain, his heart and his spirit". Thanks Bill for applying those qualities to your work with Liberal International.

Tribute written by Sen. Art Eggleton, Liberal International Vice President

L'honorable Bill Graham, patron honoraire de Liberal International et président honoraire du Groupe canadien de Liberal International, est décédé en août dernier.

Bill était avocat, universitaire et a exercé des fonctions publiques pendant de nombreuses années. Il a été ministre des affaires étrangères, ministre de la défense nationale, chef de l'opposition et chef intérimaire du Parti libéral du Canada. Après avoir quitté la politique, il a été chancelier du Trinity College de l'université de Toronto.

Dans les années 1990, il a représenté le Parti libéral du Canada au sein de l'Internationale libérale, et a notamment siégé au Bureau en tant que trésorier pendant quelques années. Il croyait fermement à la promotion de la démocratie, des droits de l'homme et d'autres valeurs libérales au niveau international. Il a soutenu LI et le groupe canadien dans ces efforts jusqu'à son décès.

Comme l'a dit l'un de ses collègues en apprenant son décès : « Il est difficile de ne pas admirer Bill Graham pour son cerveau, son cœur et son esprit. » Merci Bill d'avoir mis ces qualités au service de l'Internationale libérale.

Hommage rédigé par le sénateur Art Eggleton, vice-président de l'Internationale libérale

IN MEMORIAM TRIBUTES

Tribute to LI Patron Robert Woodthorpe Browne MBE (1943-2022)



There are those whose death leaves friends and family deeply sad – an unfilled chair at the table, a gap in the conversation, and a valued opinion missing from the discussion. Robert's death does all of these things, but in addition it marks for me the end of a very particular era in the British Liberal contribution to the international Liberal family. The period was mainly marked by the remarkable contributions of two Scots and three Englishmen. The Scots were Lord Russell Johnston and Lord Steel of Aikwood. Russell has passed on and David has retired from the House of Lords and public life and is no longer able to attend our international liberal events. The three Englishmen were Richard Moore, Jonathan Fryer and our dear and much-loved friend, Robert Woodthorpe Brown. There were others who made remarkable contributions to international political liberalism in the wider sense, notably two of my former colleagues in the House of Lords, Eric Avebury, and Paddy Ashdown, but no-one devoted their time and energy to the European and worldwide liberal organizations like those three liberal musketeers, Richard, Jonathan, and Robert. Robert was particularly devoted to Liberal International, and that is why, when he recently stood down from continuous service on the Bureau as Treasurer and Executive Vice-President, he was

unanimously appointed a Patron of LI – a high honour, and one that I know Robert appreciated. Some LI colleagues have made remarkable efforts to be here despite snow, freezing conditions, plane cancellations and train strikes. I want to recognize the herculean efforts of Robert's inseparable LI twin brother, Manfred Eisenbach, who made it from Germany despite the best efforts of British Airways to frustrate him. My good friend Juli Minoves, like myself a President of Honour of LI, made it from the high mountains of Andorra, and Executive Vice President, Henrik Bach Mortenson came all the way from Denmark. I also want to note that the current LI President, Hakima El Haité from Morocco, the Deputy President, Karl-Heinz Paqué from Germany, our other President of Honour, Annemie Neyts from Belgium and Bureau members Astrid Thors from Finland and Art Eggleton from Canada had all wished to be here but were prevented by various different travel challenges. All of them specifically and personally asked me to express their grief and condolences to Robert's wife, Barbara and son, Robert, and at the start I wish to do just that on their behalf, on my own behalf, and indeed for all of us. I also want to acknowledge the presence of Phil Bennion, a very old friend of Robert's and himself an Executive Vice President of LI. That almost the whole top echelon of LI planned to travel such distances is itself a remarkable testament, not only to the way that his service to LI was appreciated across the globe, but also that he was loved as a person. We are also joined by many British Liberal Democrat colleagues, including members of the Federal International Relations Committee, who have come from closer to home, but often with considerable difficulty, and others such as Baroness Sal Brinton and Joyce Onstad who were prevented by COVID infections have sent their sympathies. I trust that at this sad time this demonstration of friendship and appreciation will be some comfort to Barbara, Robert, Max, Emma, and the whole family circle here today.

We are all here not only because we appreciated Robert's extraordinary liberal activism but also because we enjoyed his company – not something that can be said of all political colleagues. Spending time conversing over a meal, close to home or in some distant part of the world was a delight to Robert and to everyone who joined him at table to share his love of good food and wine and to hear the latest from his fund of amusing stories and fascinating anecdotes. We all have our own memories of such times. For me a very special memory is of an al fresco dinner together in Barcelona on my birthday. We were at a Liberal International meeting but when Robert heard it was a special day for me, it was typical of him that he made it into a special meal.

His love of travel was apparent from an early age. After a childhood in Woodford, Essex, and attending St Ignatius' College, Stamford Hill, Robert studied at the Universities of Poitiers, Barcelona and Birkbeck College, London where he gained his BA Hons in Spanish. He was a very proficient linguist who loved languages and I often benefitted at international meetings from his fluency in Spanish, French and German. That love of language also served LI well when he became the natural chairman of those complicated processes, so beloved of liberals, of developing, adapting, and amending the World Today motions at LI Congresses. He revelled in the opportunity to find just the right words to enable liberals of different persuasions and parties to agree a text. It will be extremely difficult to find anyone who is able and willing to do that, indeed I just cannot imagine someone who will have the grace, skill, firmness when necessary, and the good humour that Robert brought. He was remarkably adept, and liberal colleagues from around the world loved him and his way of doing business. But Robert was not just a 'front of house' man for LI or the Alliance of Liberals and Democrats in Europe. His enduring support for the London based secretariat of Liberal International is well-known and he was a source of personal guidance and calm for many Secretaries-General in both political and business management challenges.

He was indeed very good at business, with an international career in reinsurance. He worked both as broker and underwriter, including membership of Lloyd's, concentrating initially on the Third World. He took particular pride in having been the founder of the African Insurance Conference which he accomplished when working in Mauritius and he was delighted to attend and address the Conference when it celebrated its 50th anniversary this year in Nairobi, Kenya. Never one to stand still, after 20 years concentrating on Africa and the Middle East, Robert moved on to Central and Eastern Europe following the end of the Iron Curtain era, becoming a consultant to major international insurance companies there.

But it was politics that really fired him up. He stood six times for Westminster and twice for the European Parliament and had he been a conservative or a socialist I have no doubt he would have been elected to both, and indeed appointed to the House of Lords, where the peers would have loved him. Robert was however a dyed-in-the-wool Liberal and he was no mere card-carrying member, but an activist at every level of the party. In addition to campaigning for elections – local, parliamentary, and European – he ran, for many years, the International Relations Committee of the Liberal Democrats along with Jonathan Fryer, was a delegate for the Party to innumerable meetings of the Alliance of Liberals and Democrats in Europe, and become an irreplaceable member of the Bureau of Liberal International.

As if all of this was not enough, he was a member of the Gresham Society Committee, promoting the free lectures at the City of London's first University College. He was an active member of the London livery company known as the Worshipful Company of World Traders and was its Master in 2016-17. He was an inveterate traveller who visited more than 150 countries so he was very appropriately a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society. He was a Council Member of Britain's premier international think-tank, Chatham House, a Board and Committee member of the British German Association, Vice Chairman of the Tuberous Sclerosis Association, and Chairman of Sustainable Viability Limited. He was the driving force in the founding and activity of The Paddy Ashdown Forum, and I must express our thanks to Christopher Gleadle, the CEO of the Forum for his work in organizing today's events – thank you very much Chris, on behalf of us all. and yes, Robert did find time for hobbies including forestry and Lowestoft porcelain.

Now, at liberal events near and far, you and I will find ourselves looking around in vain for Robert, a smile on his face, a glass in his hand, moving around talking to fellow liberals, picking up the sense of what was going on, and the latest piece of news and chat. And if we miss him, as we surely will, I fear that after COVID, the cost-of-living crisis and the Russia-Ukraine war, Robert's death may be the last straw for some international airlines which may now go to the wall! Aside from political meetings, Robert and Barbara loved travelling to the sun and the snow, to scenery and special places. She has lost not only a fun travelling companion but a dear partner in life's journey.

We have lost a great encourager of young, aspiring, liberal politicians, a stout defender of freedom and human rights, and a tireless worker in the liberal cause, but most of all we have lost a deeply loved friend.

I must end by returning to those with whom we are especially here to mourn, and to whom we all wish to bring comfort – to Barbara, Robert, Max, Emma, and the whole Woodthorpe Brown family circle. Our deepest sympathies go to you in your grievous loss and at this sad time.

Tribute written by John, Lord Alderdice, Liberal International President of Honour



Il y a des personnes dont le décès laisse les amis et la famille profondément tristes - une chaise non occupée à la table, un vide dans la conversation et une opinion précieuse absente de la discussion. La mort de Robert fait tout cela, mais elle marque aussi pour moi la fin d'une époque très particulière dans la contribution des libéraux britanniques à la famille libérale internationale. Cette période a été principalement marquée par les contributions remarquables de deux Écossais et de trois Anglais. Les Écossais étaient Lord Russell Johnston et Lord Steel of Aikwood. Russell est décédé et David s'est retiré de la Chambre des Lords et de la vie publique et n'est plus en mesure d'assister à nos événements libéraux internationaux. Les trois Anglais étaient Richard Moore, Jonathan Fryer et notre cher et très apprécié ami, Robert Woodthorpe Brown. D'autres ont apporté des contributions remarquables au libéralisme politique international au sens large, notamment deux de mes anciens collègues de la Chambre des Lords, Eric Avebury et Paddy Ashdown, mais personne n'a consacré son temps et son énergie aux organisations libérales européennes et mondiales comme ces trois mousquetaires libéraux, Richard, Jonathan et Robert. Robert était particulièrement dévoué à l'Internationale libérale et c'est pourquoi, lorsqu'il s'est récemment retiré de son

service continu au sein du Bureau en tant que trésorier et vice-président exécutif, il a été unanimement nommé parrain de LI - un grand honneur que Robert appréciait, je le sais. Certains collègues de LI ont fait des efforts remarquables pour être présents malgré la neige, le gel, les annulations d'avion et les grèves de train. Je tiens à souligner les efforts herculéens de Manfred Eisenbach, l'inséparable frère jumeau de Robert, qui est venu d'Allemagne malgré tous les efforts de British Airways pour le contrarier. Mon amie Juli Minoves, présidente d'honneur de LI comme moi, est venue des hautes montagnes d'Andorre, et le vice-président exécutif, Henrik Bach Mortenson, a fait tout le chemin depuis le Danemark. Je tiens également à souligner que l'actuelle présidente de LI, Hakima El Haité, du Maroc, le président adjoint, Karl-Heinz Paqué, d'Allemagne, notre autre présidente d'honneur, Annemie Neyts, de Belgique, et les membres du Bureau, Astrid Thors de Finlande, et Art Eggleton du Canada, avaient tous souhaité être présents, mais en ont été empêchés par divers problèmes de voyage. Tous m'ont demandé expressément et personnellement d'exprimer leur chagrin et leurs condoléances à l'épouse de Robert, Barbara, et à son fils, Robert, et c'est ce que je souhaite faire en leur nom, en mon nom personnel et en notre nom à tous. Je tiens également à saluer la présence de Phil Bennion, un très vieil ami de Robert et lui-même vice-président exécutif de LI. Le fait que la quasi-totalité de l'échelon supérieur de LI ait prévu de parcourir de telles distances est en soi un témoignage remarquable, non seulement de la manière dont ses services à LI ont été appréciés dans le monde entier, mais aussi du fait qu'il était aimé en tant que personne. Nous sommes également rejoints par de nombreux collègues libéraux démocrates britanniques, y compris des membres de la commission fédérale des relations internationales, qui sont venus de plus près, mais souvent avec des difficultés considérables, et d'autres, comme la baronne Sal Brinton et Joyce Onstad, qui ont été empêchées par les infections COVID, nous ont fait part de leur sympathie. J'espère qu'en cette triste période, cette démonstration d'amitié et de reconnaissance apportera un peu de réconfort à Barbara, Robert, Max, Emma et à tout le cercle familial présent ici aujourd'hui.

Nous sommes tous ici non seulement parce que nous avons apprécié l'extraordinaire activisme libéral de Robert, mais aussi parce que nous avons apprécié sa compagnie - ce qui n'est pas le cas de tous les collègues politiques. Passer du temps à converser autour d'un repas, près de chez soi ou dans une partie éloignée du monde, était un plaisir pour Robert et pour tous ceux qui le rejoignaient à table pour partager son amour de la bonne chère et du bon vin et pour entendre les dernières nouvelles de son fonds d'histoires amusantes et d'anecdotes fascinantes. Nous avons tous nos propres souvenirs de ces moments. Pour moi, un souvenir très spécial est celui d'un dîner en plein air à Barcelone, le jour de mon anniversaire. Nous étions à une réunion de Liberal International, mais lorsque Robert a appris que c'était un jour spécial pour moi, il a fait en sorte que ce soit un repas spécial, ce qui est typique de lui.

Sa passion pour les voyages s'est manifestée dès son plus jeune âge. Après une enfance passée à Woodford, dans l'Essex, et une scolarité au St Ignatius' College de Stamford Hill, Robert a étudié aux universités de Poitiers, de Barcelone et au Birkbeck College de Londres, où il a obtenu une licence d'espagnol. C'était un linguiste très compétent qui aimait les langues et j'ai souvent bénéficié, lors de

réunions internationales, de sa maîtrise de l'espagnol, du français et de l'allemand. Cet amour des langues a également servi LI lorsqu'il est devenu le président naturel de ces processus compliqués, si appréciés des libéraux, qui consistent à développer, adapter et amender les motions du Monde d'aujourd'hui lors des congrès de LI. Il se délectait de l'occasion qui lui était donnée de trouver les mots justes pour permettre aux libéraux de différentes convictions et de différents partis de se mettre d'accord sur un texte. Il sera extrêmement difficile de trouver quelqu'un qui soit capable et désireux de faire cela, et je ne peux tout simplement pas imaginer quelqu'un qui ait la grâce, la compétence, la fermeté lorsque c'est nécessaire, et la bonne humeur que Robert apportait. Il était remarquablement compétent et les collègues libéraux du monde entier l'aimaient ainsi que sa façon de travailler. Mais Robert n'était pas seulement un homme de confiance pour LI ou l'Alliance des démocrates et des libéraux pour l'Europe. Son soutien constant au secrétariat de l'Internationale libérale basé à Londres est bien connu et il a été une source de conseils personnels et de calme pour de nombreux secrétaires généraux confrontés à des défis politiques et de gestion d'entreprise.

Il était en effet très doué pour les affaires, avec une carrière internationale dans la réassurance. Il a travaillé à la fois comme courtier et souscripteur, y compris en tant que membre de la Lloyd's, en se concentrant initialement sur le tiers monde. Il était particulièrement fier d'avoir été le fondateur de la Conférence africaine sur l'assurance, qu'il avait créée lorsqu'il travaillait à l'île Maurice, et il était ravi d'assister à la Conférence et de s'adresser à elle lorsqu'elle a célébré son 50e anniversaire cette année à Nairobi, au Kenya. N'étant pas du genre à se reposer sur ses lauriers, Robert s'est concentré pendant 20 ans sur l'Afrique et le Moyen-Orient. Après la fin du rideau de fer, il s'est tourné vers l'Europe centrale et orientale, où il est devenu consultant auprès de grandes compagnies d'assurance internationales.

Mais c'est la politique qui l'a vraiment passionné. Il s'est présenté six fois à Westminster et deux fois au Parlement européen et s'il avait été conservateur ou socialiste, je ne doute pas qu'il aurait été élu dans les deux cas, voire nommé à la Chambre des Lords, où les pairs l'auraient adoré. Robert était cependant un libéral convaincu et il n'était pas un simple membre détenteur d'une carte, mais un activiste à tous les niveaux du parti. Outre les campagnes électorales - locales, parlementaires et européennes - il a dirigé, pendant de nombreuses années, la commission des relations internationales des libéraux-démocrates avec Jonathan Fryer, a été délégué du parti à d'innombrables réunions de l'Alliance des libéraux et des démocrates en Europe et est devenu un membre irremplaçable du Bureau de Liberal International.

Comme si tout cela ne suffisait pas, il a été membre du comité de la société Gresham, chargé de promouvoir les conférences gratuites du premier collège universitaire de la ville de Londres. Il était un membre actif de la société londonienne connue sous le nom de Worshipful Company of World Traders, dont il a été le maître en 2016-17. Voyageur invétéré, il a visité plus de 150 pays, ce qui lui vaut d'être membre de la Royal Geographical Society. Il était membre du conseil du principal groupe de réflexion international de Grande-Bretagne, Chatham House, membre du conseil d'administration et du comité de la British German Association, vice-président de la Tuberous Sclerosis Association et président de Sustainable Viability Limited. Il a été la force motrice de la création et de l'activité du Forum Paddy Ashdown, et je dois exprimer nos remerciements à Christopher Gleadle, le directeur général du Forum, pour son travail d'organisation des événements d'aujourd'hui - merci beaucoup Chris, en notre nom à tous. Et oui, Robert a trouvé le temps de s'adonner à des passe-temps tels que la sylviculture et la porcelaine de Lowestoft.

Désormais, lors d'événements libéraux proches ou lointains, vous et moi chercherons en vain Robert, le sourire aux lèvres, un verre à la main, en train de discuter avec d'autres libéraux, de s'informer sur ce qui se passe, sur les dernières nouvelles et sur les discussions. Et s'il nous manque, ce qui ne manquera pas d'arriver, je crains qu'après COVID, la crise du coût de la vie et la guerre entre la Russie et l'Ukraine, la mort de Robert ne soit la goutte d'eau qui fait déborder le vase pour certaines compagnies aériennes internationales, qui risquent maintenant de faire faillite ! En dehors des réunions politiques, Robert et Barbara aimaient voyager vers le soleil et la neige, vers des paysages et des lieux particuliers. Elle a perdu non seulement un compagnon de voyage amusant, mais aussi un partenaire cher dans le voyage de la vie.

Nous avons perdu un grand encourageur de jeunes politiciens libéraux en herbe, un ardent défenseur de la liberté et des droits de l'homme et un travailleur infatigable de la cause libérale, mais nous avons surtout perdu un ami profondément aimé.

Je dois terminer en revenant à ceux avec qui nous sommes spécialement ici pour pleurer et à qui nous souhaitons tous apporter du réconfort : Barbara, Robert, Max, Emma et tout le cercle de la famille Woodthorpe Brown. Nous vous présentons nos plus sincères condoléances en cette triste période.

Hommage écrit par John, Lord Alderdice, Président d'honneur de l'Internationale libérale



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- Unacceptable behaviour includes intimidating, harassing, abusive, discriminatory, derogatory or demeaning conduct.
- Harassment is a course of vexatious comment or unwelcome conduct.
- Harassment includes offensive oral or written remarks, gestures, display of images or other conduct that demeans, belittles, insults, derides or humiliates an individual or group, or that perpetuates or reinforces pejorative stereotypes.
- Sexual harassment is vexatious comment or unwelcome conduct because of sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression.
- Sexual harassment includes unnecessary physical contact, unwanted touching, intrusive sexual questions, comments of a sexual nature, comments about bodies or appearance, and unwelcome sexual solicitations or advances.

What to do if you are Subject to or Witness Unacceptable Behaviour

Please notify an event organiser immediately. They will help contact the appropriate officials with Liberal International, security, or law enforcement; they can help arrange to safely escort you or others if needed, or they can otherwise assist you with the situation at hand. Event organisers can be identified by their Yellow Staff Badge.

Consequences of Unacceptable Behaviour

Unacceptable behaviour will not be tolerated. Event organisers may take any action they deem appropriate, including expulsion without refund, and potential involvement of law enforcement officials.

INFORMATION ABOUT OTTAWA

VACCINATIONS & COVID19

With effect from 1 October 2022, the Government of Canada removed all COVID-19 entry restrictions, as well as testing, quarantine and isolation requirements, for anyone entering Canada. Also with effect from 1 October 2022, travellers are no longer required to: undergo health checks for travel on air and rail; or wear masks on flights and intercity trains. <https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/news/>

VISA

You may need a visa to travel to the Canada. Processing visa applications can take several weeks. Please check with your country's foreign affairs department at the earliest opportunity. A process for issuing visa support letters from the Liberal Party of Canada has been established and, if members of your delegation require a visa support letter, please contact the LI Secretariat in the first instance: Office@liberal-international.org

WEATHER

May Weather in Ottawa Canada. Daily high temperatures increase by 10°F, from 61°F (16°C) to 71°F (21°C), rarely falling below 49°F (9°C) or exceeding 82°F (27°C). Daily low temperatures increase by 10°F, from 41°F (5°C) to 52°F (11°C), rarely falling below 32°F (0°C) or exceeding 61°F (16°C).

GETTING AROUND

As you will see from the programme most of the activity that makes up the 206th Executive Committee meeting of Liberal International takes place in the modern Shaw Centre. Those elements of the programme that are not located in this building are no more than a 15 minute walk from the Shaw Centre and in Ottawa we are fortunate to be located in a highly pedestrian-friendly city. Volunteers will be available to escort delegates to any offsite locations and look forward to welcoming you to these venues. Our friendly volunteers can be identified by their white polo shirts one which the 206th executive committee logo is branded – please do not hesitate to approach them should you have any questions throughout the event.

TRANSPORTATION

There are two city transportation systems in Canada's capital region:

[OC Transpo](#) operates buses and Ottawa's light rail train (O-Train) on the Ontario side of the Ottawa River. Tickets and day passes can be purchased on the bus with cash, at all O-Train stations with credit card or cash, or at select pharmacies, grocery stores, and the CF Rideau Centre. In 2022, children under the age of 7 travel for free (instead of the usual age of 5 or less).

The [Société de Transport de l'Outaouais](#), also known as STO, operates on the Quebec side of the Ottawa River. Tickets and day passes (Occasional Multi pass) can be purchased at service points and recharge stations at select pharmacies, convenient stores and malls or on the bus with cash. Children under the age of 5 travel for free.

Some buses run between the two areas, and you can transfer between the two systems at several locations along the O-Train Line 1 in Ottawa and around the Place d'Accueil on Maisonneuve Boulevard in Gatineau, Quebec. Both agencies offer convenient trip planning tools on their websites.

Uber and Taxi

Ottawa's taxi companies ([Blue Line Taxi](#) & [Capital Taxi](#)) can now be booked ahead of time through their convenient apps, text message or online options for seamless pick ups and drop offs, including to and from the airport. Uber also works in Ottawa.

COMMUNICATIONS

Country code: +1

In Ottawa, there are wi-fi spots with free internet access. These are located mainly in the trade centres, railway stations and bus stations.

AIRPORT INFORMATION

Downtown Ottawa is about 15km away from Ottawa Airport, and the travel time is around 20 minutes.

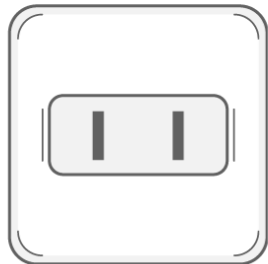
The quickest way to get from Ottawa Airport to Downtown Ottawa is to take a taxi or Uber while taking a bus is the cheapest transport option available. Line 97 bus departs every 30 minutes and is available 24/7 from the airport. <https://yow.ca/en>

GRATUITY & TIPPING

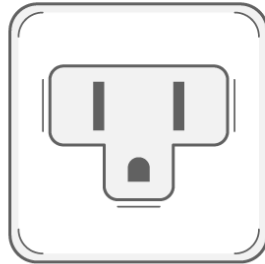
Gratuities are seldom included in Canadian restaurants. It is customary to tip approximately 15-20% on the total bill before tax, less for poor service, more for truly exceptional service. Many restaurants may charge an automatic 15-18% gratuity for larger groups.

POWER SOCKETS

In Canada the power plug sockets are of type A and B. The standard voltage is 120 V.



Type A



Type B

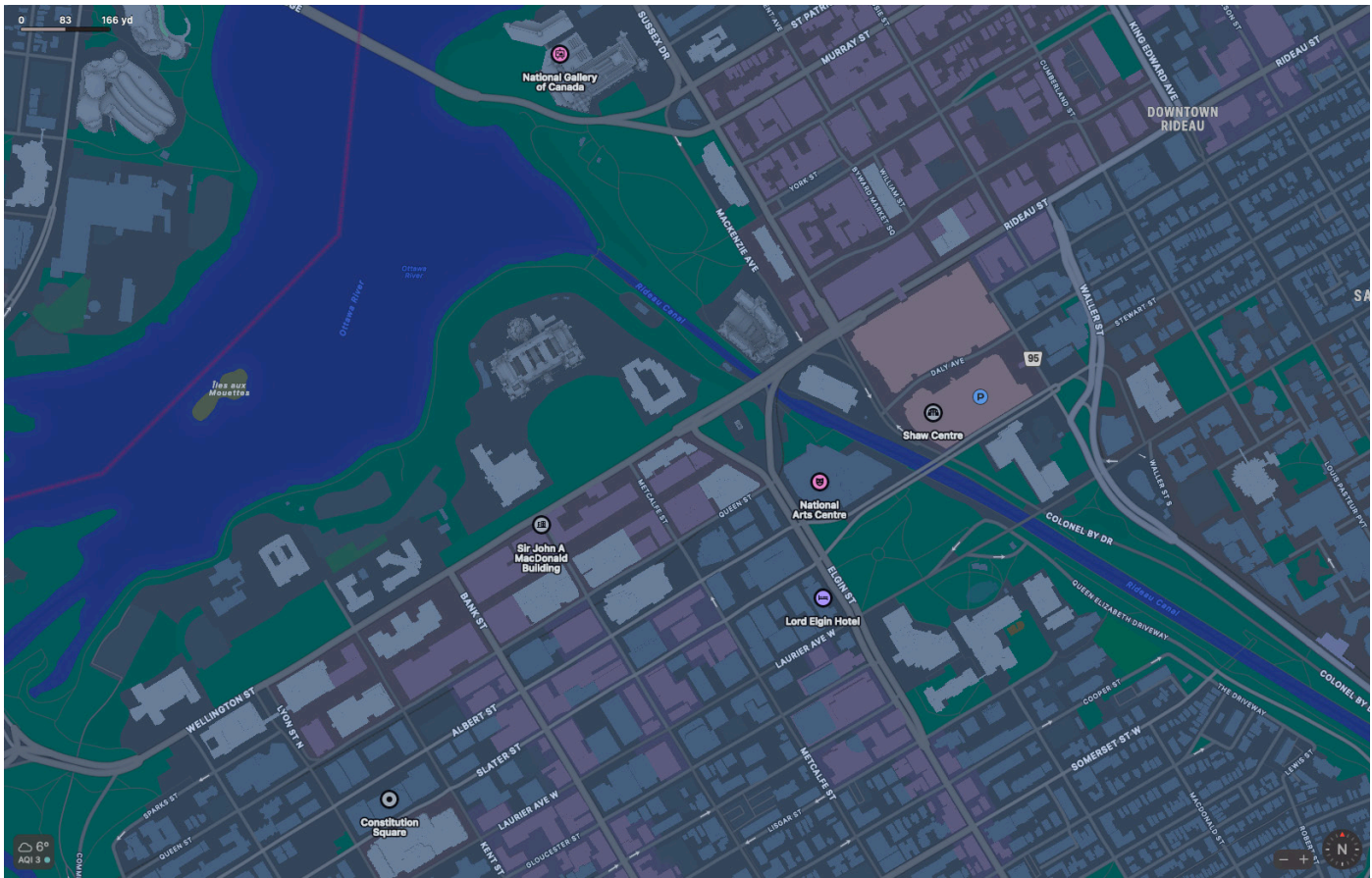


EMERGENCIES

In case of sickness or accident during the ExCom, the participant should immediately notify a member of the Secretariat of Liberal International. Participants are advised to ensure that they have adequate insurance coverage, either at their own expense or at the expense of their nominating organisation for sickness, accident and third-party risk covering the entire duration of the stay in Canada. Neither Liberal International, nor the hosts, accepts responsibility or liability for such contingencies.

The Canadian emergency number is 911.

MAP OF OTTAWA



To add these Map Locations to your phone click:

<https://goo.gl/maps/206ExCom>

Addresses:

Liberal Party of Canada Headquarters - Constitution Square, Suite 902, 350 Albert St, Ottawa, K1P 6M8

Sir John A. Macdonald Building - 144 Wellington St, Ottawa, ON K1P 5B9

Shaw Centre - 55 Colonel By Drive, Ottawa, K1N 9J2

National Art Centre - 1 Elgin St, Ottawa, ON K1P 5W1

Lord Elgin Hotel - 100 Elgin St, Ottawa, ON K1P 5K8

National Gallery of Canada - 380 Sussex Drive, Ottawa, ON K1N 9N4

OUR PARTNERS



The ALDE Party consists of 60 member parties and thousands of individual members from countries across Europe. Formerly the European Liberal Democrat and Reform (ELDR) party, in 2012, European Liberal Democrat delegates voted to change the name of the party to Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe Party (ALDE) Party to strengthen links with the European Parliamentary group.



The Canadian Group of Liberal International (CGLI) are the formation of Canadian members who are committed to principles of liberalism and human rights through their participation as a full member in Liberal International.



The European Liberal Forum (ELF) are working to find liberal solutions to European problems, providing a space of inspiration and dialogue to make the future their biggest ally. ELF's has a network of 51 Member organisations across Europe and fosters collaboration among liberals. ELF works to bring new ideas into the political debate, to provide a platform for discussion, and to empower citizens to make their voices heard.



**FRIEDRICH NAUMANN
FOUNDATION** For Freedom

The Foundation was established in Germany in 1958 and represents a strong network of democratic parties, human rights organisations and academic establishments in Germany and the rest of the world. The Foundation supports national initiatives which represent its ideals: freedom and responsibility.

renew europe.

Renew Europe is a liberal, pro-European political group of the European Parliament founded for the ninth European Parliament term. The group is the successor to the Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe (ALDE) Group which existed during the sixth, seventh and eighth terms from 2004 to 2019.

LIST OF ATTENDEES

This reflects the “most up to date list” at the time of printing on 24 April 2023. There are representatives from 38 countries. Delegates & Guests that booked after this date and deadline for printing will not appear on this list. Apologies for any inconvenience caused.

	Prefix	First Name	Surname	Country / Nationality	Political Party / Affiliation
1	Dr.	Juli	Minoves	Andorra	Partit Liberal d'Andorra/Liberal International Bureau
2	Ms.	Annemie	Neyts	Belgium	Open VLD
3	Mr.	Freddy	Neyts	Belgium	Open VLD
4	Mr.	Andrew	Burgess	Belgium	ALDE Party
5	Mr.	Hamid	Hamid	Bulgaria	Movement for Rights and Freedoms
6	Dr.	Ablasse	Ouedraogo	Burkina Faso	Le Faso Autrement
7	Mr.	Gilbert	Ouedraogo	Burkina Faso	Africa Liberal Network (ALN)
8	Mrs.	Myriam	Ouedraogo	Burkina Faso	Africa Liberal Network (ALN)
9	Mr.	Mardi	Seng	Cambodia	Candlelight Party
10	Miss	Irene	Wang	Canada	Liberal International
11	Mr.	Art	Eggleton	Canada	Liberal International Bureau
12	Ms.	Isabel	Metcalfe	Canada	Canadian Group of Liberal International
13	Ms.	Lisa	Haley	Canada	Canadian Group of Liberal International
14	Mr.	Blair	Ostrom	Canada	Canadian Group of Liberal International
15	Mr.	Camille	Bacchus	Canada	Canadian Group of Liberal International
16	Ms.	Claudia	McKoy	Canada	Canadian Group of Liberal International
17	Mr.	Daniel	Gatto	Canada	Canadian Group of Liberal International
18	Mr.	David	Matas	Canada	Canadian Group of Liberal International
19	Mr.	David	Zimmer	Canada	Canadian Group of Liberal International
20	Mr.	Deb	Matthews	Canada	Canadian Group of Liberal International
21	Mr.	Don	Bourgeois	Canada	Canadian Group of Liberal International
22	Ms.	Eleni	Bakopanos	Canada	Canadian Group of Liberal International
23	Mr.	Felix	Mora	Canada	Canadian Group of Liberal International
24	Mr.	Gordon	Dowsley	Canada	Canadian Group of Liberal International
25	Mr.	Howard	Brown	Canada	Canadian Group of Liberal International
26	Mr.	Irwin	Cotler	Canada	Canadian Group of Liberal International
27	Mr.	Jim	Cowan	Canada	Canadian Group of Liberal International
28	Mr.	Kenning	Marchant	Canada	Canadian Group of Liberal International
29	Mr.	Larry	Herman	Canada	Canadian Group of Liberal International
30	Ms.	Leah	Taylor-Roy	Canada	Canadian Group of Liberal International
31	Mr.	Lloyd	Axworthy	Canada	Canadian Group of Liberal International
32	Ms.	Lorna	Marsden	Canada	Canadian Group of Liberal International
33	Mr.	Emanuel "Manny"	Zanders	Canada	Canadian Group of Liberal International
34	Mr.	Marcel	Wieder	Canada	Canadian Group of Liberal International
35	Mr.	Michael	Kunz	Canada	Canadian Group of Liberal International
36	Ms.	Mobina	Jaffer	Canada	Canadian Group of Liberal International
37	Ms.	Nathaniel	Smith	Canada	Canadian Group of Liberal International
38	Mr.	Qasir	Dar	Canada	Canadian Group of Liberal International
39	Mr.	Shawky	Fahel	Canada	Canadian Group of Liberal International
40	Ms.	Suzanne	Cowan	Canada	Canadian Group of Liberal International
41	Ms.	Yasmin	Ratansi	Canada	Canadian Group of Liberal International
42	Ms.	Saida	Ahmed	Canada	International Network of Liberal Women (INLW)
43	Mr.	Fransisco	Winter	Chile	Evopoli
44	Mr.	Felipe	Kast S	Chile	RELIAL

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45	H.E.	Vlado	Mirosevic	Chile	Partido Liberal de Chile
46	Mr.	Patricio	Morales	Chile	Partido Liberal de Chile
47	Mr.	Aly	Toure	Côte d'Ivoire	RHDP: Rassemblement des Houphouëtistes pour la Démocratie et la Paix
48	Mr.	Sidi Tiemoko	Toure	Côte d'Ivoire	RHDP: Rassemblement des Houphouëtistes pour la Démocratie et la Paix
49	Mr.	Kouame	Kouadio	Côte d'Ivoire	RHDP: Rassemblement des Houphouëtistes pour la Démocratie et la Paix
50	Mr.	Goran	Neralic	Croatia	European Liberal Forum (ELF)
51	Mr.	Henrik Bach	Mortensen	Denmark	ALDE Party
52	Mr.	Ahmed	Elsayed	Egypt	Egyptian Justice Party
53	Mrs.	Astrid	Thors	Finland	Swedish People's Party (SFP)
54	Mr.	Miikkael	Azaize	Finland	Finnish Centre Party (Suomen Keskusta)
55	Ms.	Emma	Lundström	Finland	Liberal International
56	Mr.	Kasper	Kannosto	Finland	Swedish People's Party (SFP)
57	Dr.	Joel	Ruet	France	The Bridge Tank
58	Mr.	Dirk	Pfeil	Germany	Freie Demokratische Partei (FDP)
59	Dr.	Steffen	Pabst	Germany	Deutsche Gruppe der Liberal International
60	Dr.	René	Klaff	Germany	Friedrich Naumann Foundation
61	Ms.	Johanna	Hans	Germany	Friedrich Naumann Foundation
62	Dr.	Rudolf	Rentschler	Germany	Freie Demokratische Partei (FDP)
63	Prof.	Karl-Heinz	Paquè	Germany	Freie Demokratische Partei (FDP)
64	Mr.	Manfred	Eisenbach	Germany	German Group of Liberal International
65	Mr.	Sven	Hilgers	Germany	Friedrich Naumann Foundation for the Freedom
66	Ms.	Katharina	Schreiner	Germany	Freie Demokratische Partei (FDP)
67	Mr.	Claus	Gramckow	Germany	Friedrich Naumann Foundation
68	Mr.	Jeff	Kwarteng	Ghana	Progressive People's Party
69	Mr.	Clement	Boadi	Ghana	Liberal Party of Ghana
70	Mr.	Jerry Owusu	Appauh	Ghana	Africa Liberal Network (ALN)
71	Mr.	Mohammed Murtala	Ahmed	Ghana	Progressive People's Party
72	Mr.	Remy Paa Kow	Edmundson	Ghana	Progressive People's Party
73	Mr.	Steven	Linares	Gibraltar	Gibraltar Liberal Party
74	Mr.	Cellou Dalein	Diallo	Guinea	Union of Democratic Forces of Guinea
75	Mrs.	Nadia	Nahman	Guinea	Union of Democratic Forces of Guinea
76	Mr.	Daniel	Berg	Hungary	Momentum Movement
77	Mr.	Moshe Binyamin	Nissim	Israel	Israeli Liberal Group
78	Mr.	Yair	Zivan	Israel	Yesh Atid
79	Mrs.	Naomi	Blumenthal	Israel	Israeli Liberal Group
80	Mr.	Francesco	Cappelletti	Italy	European Liberal Forum (ELF)
81	Miss	Fjona	Merkaj	Italy	European Liberal Forum (ELF)
82	Miss	Dania	Odeh	Jordan	Liberal International
83	Dr.	Bernard	Nikaj	Kosovo	Democratic Party of Kosovo
84	Dr.	Hakima	El Haitè	Morocco	Mouvement Populaire
85	Mr.	Jawad	Chafil	Morocco	Union Constitutionnelle
86	Mr.	Emil	Kirjas	North Macedonia	Liberal Democratic Party (North Macedonia)
87	Mr.	Fredrik Orseth	Carstens	Norway	Venstre
88	Mr.	Michal	Tecza	Poland	Project: Polska Foundation
89	Mr.	Milosz	Hodun	Poland	European Liberal Forum (ELF)
90	Mr.	John Mpongo	Ntachombwene	Republic of Congo	MPRS (Mouvement populaire pour la reforme sociale)
91	Mr.	Melaine Destin	Gavet Elengo	Republic of Congo	Mouvement Républicain
92	Mr.	Cardorel Farnese	Nkenene Samba	Republic of Congo	Mouvement Républicain
93	Mrs.	Rokhaya	Wade	Senegal	The Bridge Tank
94	Mr.	El Hadji Omar	Youm	Senegal	Alliance of the Republic
95	Mr.	Djibril	War	Senegal	Alliance of the Republic

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96	Prof.	Abdirahman	Abdiqani Ibrahim	Somalia	CAHDI Party
97	Mr.	Hamza	Sadik	Somalia	CAHDI Party
98	Mr.	Abdulkadir	Dhakane	Somalia	CAHDI Party
99	Mr.	Abdirahman	Musse	Somalia	CAHDI Party
100	Mr.	Mohamed	Ibrahim	Somalia	CAHDI Party
101	Ms.	Wendy	Alexander	South Africa	Democratic Alliance (DA)
102	Mr.	Caesar	Chirino	Sweden	Swedish International Liberal Centre (SILC)
103	Miss	Mikaela	Hellman	Sweden	Centerpartiet
104	Mr.	Oscar	Wåglund-Söderström	Sweden	Liberalerna
105	Mr.	Bassam	Al-Kuwatli	Syria	Ahrar - The Syrian Liberal Party
106	Mr.	Amro	Al-Faham	Syria / Canada	Ahrar - The Syrian Liberal Party
107	Ms.	Peifen	Hisieh	Taiwan	Democratic Progressive Party
108	Ms.	Shyh-Fang	Liu	Taiwan	Democratic Progressive Party
109	Ms	Yihan	Jen	Taiwan	Democratic Progressive Party
110	Mrs.	Margaret	de Vos van Steenwijk	The Netherlands	International Network of Liberal Women (INLW)
111	Mrs.	Lysbeth	van Valkenburg-Lely	The Netherlands	International Network of Liberal Women (INLW)
112	Mr.	Danker	van Valkenburg	The Netherlands	International Network of Liberal Women (INLW)
113	Ms.	Mies	Bos	The Netherlands	Democrats 66 (D66)
114	Mrs.	Maartje	Jansen	The Netherlands	Democrats 66 (D66)
115	Mr.	Lennart	Salemink	The Netherlands	People's Party for Freedom and Democracy (VVD)
116	Mr.	Bas	van den Berg	The Netherlands	People's Party for Freedom and Democracy (VVD)
117	Mr.	Pepijn	Van Dijk	The Netherlands	People's Party for Freedom and Democracy (VVD)
118	Ms.	Barbara	Visser	The Netherlands	People's Party for Freedom and Democracy (VVD)
119	Mr.	Kabil	Daoud	Tunisia	Afek Tounes
120	Ms	Kira	Rudik	Ukraine	Golos
121	Ms.	Irina	Von Wiese	United Kingdom	Liberal Democrats
122	Mr.	William	Townsend	United Kingdom	Liberal International
123	Dr.	Phillip	Bennion	United Kingdom	Liberal Democrats (UK)
124	Baroness	Sal	Brinton	United Kingdom	ALDE Party
125	Prof.	Lord	Alderdice	United Kingdom	Liberal Democrats (UK)
126	Mr.	Thierno Moussa	Diallo	United Kingdom	Union of Democratic Forces of Guinea
127	Mr.	Petel	Diallo	United Kingdom	Union of Democratic Forces of Guinea
128	Mrs.	Joyce	Onstad	United Kingdom	Liberal Democrats (UK)
129	Prof.	Graham	Watson	United Kingdom	Liberal Democrats (UK)
130	Ms	Isabelle	Pucher	United Kingdom	Paddy Ashdown Forum
131	Mx.	Adrian	Hyrylainen-Trett	United Kingdom	Liberal International British Group
132	Mr.	David	Chalmers	United Kingdom	Liberal Democrats (UK)
133	Mr.	Sam	Hudis	United States of America	International Federation of Liberal Youth
134	Mr.	Matt	McMillan	United States of America	Buzzmaker

