This Serves as Your Invitation to the

First Global Commemorative Celebration of the
75th Anniversary of CoNGO

(Conference of Non-Governmental Organizations in Consultative Relationship with the United Nations)

April 28, 2023 | 14:00 – 16:45 CET
Vienna International Centre | Wagramer Str. 5, 1220 Wien | Conference Room 1

Program

Music | Didier Louis, bagpipe
Opening Welcome | Martina Gredler, CoNGO Second Vice President
Opening Video Address | H. E. Ghada Fathi Waly, Director-General, United Nations Office at Vienna (UNOV)
Video Message | H. E. Peter Launsky-Tieffenthal, Secretary General, Foreign Ministry of Austria
Messages | Permanent Missions to the United Nations and Other International Organizations at Vienna
Message | Shams Asadi, Human Rights Commissioner, Head, Human Rights Office, City of Vienna

Flutists: Katarina Göbel, Agnes Töth, and Chiara Zoccola

Presidential Address | Liberato C. Bautista, CoNGO President
Greetings | Gillian Sorensen and Patrick Rea, Co-Chairs of CoNGO 75th Anniversary Commemoration
In Memoriam | Ilona Graenitz, Marlene Parenzan, and Maria Jonas | Former CoNGO Leaders in Vienna

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Keynote Lectures

Re-Imagining and Re-Narrativizing Multilateralism: Why NGOs and Civil Society Truly Matter | Nikhil Seth, UN Assistant Secretary-General and Executive Director, UN Institute for Training and Research

Gender Justice and Multilateralism: Achievements and Unfinished Agendas | Helga Konrad, Former Austrian Federal Minister of Women’s Affairs and Executive Director Anti-Trafficking, Institute for the Danube Region and Central Europe IDM in Vienna

The Multilateral Human Rights Regime: Civil Society and NGOs in the Development and Promotion of Human Rights | Manfred Nowak, Secretary General, Global Campus of Human Rights in Venice & Professor of International Human Rights at Vienna University

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Greetings and Invitation to the vin d’honneur | Omar Al-Rawi, Member of Vienna City Council and Provincial Parliament
Closing Remarks | Martina Gredler, CoNGO Second Vice President

After the program, join us for a vin d’honneur at the Coffee Corner on the Second Floor of the C Building opposite Conference Room 1, thanks to the hospitality of the City of Vienna and arrangements made by Regina Wiala-Zimm (International Relations Officer, Chief Executive Office for International Relations, City of Vienna)

Please register before noon Friday, April 21, New York, EDT, to participate.
Visit this website for registration links. https://bit.ly/CoNGO75_Anniversary_Vienna