



20.01.2016 - Starting today, the 46th Annual Meeting of the World Economic Forum will take place in Davos-Klosters, Switzerland on 20-23 January.

The theme of this year's meeting is "Mastering the Fourth Industrial Revolution". The concept of Fourth Industrial Revolution refers to the period of digital transformation that will have profound effects on economies, societies and human behavior. Over 40 heads of state and government, as well as 2,500 leaders from business, government, international organizations, civil society, academia, media and the arts are expected to participate.

The issues on the agenda include critical current challenges such as:

Fourth Industrial Revolution

The Fourth Industrial Revolution refers to the ongoing transformation of our society and economy, driven by advances in artificial intelligence, robotics, autonomous vehicles, 3-D printing, nanotechnology and other areas of science. The innovations in these disciplines indicate changes in life in novel and unpredicted ways affecting societies and industries. The main goal of this year's Meeting is addressing the challenges stemmed from this revolution while discovering how humanity can profit from it.

“New Normal” Global Growth and Commodity Prices

While another year with GDP growth of less than 4% is expected, experts will discuss means of realizing inclusive, sustainable growth in an environment delimited by continuous low inflation, prevalent weak currencies, and subdued oil and commodity prices.

Paris Agreement and the Global Commons

The success of the COP21 climate talks in Paris (Paris Agreement) signal that other challenges in global commons can also be overcome through new models of public-private cooperation, and the application of breakthrough sciences and technology solutions.

Addressing Global Security Issues

The currently unraveling refugee crisis and terrorism acts in the world are reminders of how increasing competition among key global players combined with the failure of some frail states is weakening global security. How can societies prepare for a rapidly changing security landscape where emerging technologies also play a key role?

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[UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon](#) speaking at:

[A Social Contract to Transform Our World by 2030:](#) Join this special session hosted by the United Nations at the Open Forum. Learn about the historic 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, which outlines common action on the 17 Sustainable Development Goals that were adopted by over 150 world leaders in September 2015. 21 January - 15:30

[The New Climate and Development Imperative:](#) How will the foremost climate and sustainable development partnerships catalyze action in 2016? 21 January - 17:45

[Executive Secretary of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change \(UNFCCC\) Christiana Figueres](#) speaking at:

[A New Climate for Doing Business:](#) What are the opportunities and responsibilities in terms of business, innovation and entrepreneurship that have emerged from the Paris conference on climate? 20 January - 10:30

[Forum Debate: Fossil Fuel Futures](#) : Given regulatory and market changes, should energy companies and investors be planning for a post-fossil fuel future? 21 January - 16:45

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