



The Rise of Asia 70 years after Bandung: What possibilities to build the world anew?

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A Future to explore – A Future to Build

The New UN Commitments for States and Communities

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS, PRESENTATIONS AND PARTICIPATION

The conference is open to individual and group paper presentations. Those willing to present their papers are invited to submit their abstracts until November 30, 2024. The notification of selected abstracts will be communicated to their authors progressively according to their availability from September 2024. The earlier the abstracts are submitted, the sooner the authors will get notified. The presenters and participants are supposed to find the necessary funds for their own participation (visa, international and national transport, accommodation). No travel grant is provided by the organising committee to any participant. Abstracts of approximately 200-300 words (excluding figures, tables, and references) and basic personal data of the authors are to be submitted online at:

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Premise

On 22 September 2024, the United Nations General Assembly adopted the "Pact for the Future", the broadest international agreement in recent years, which defines the challenges that the international community will have to face for a future of peace and prosperity. The document – which is the result of nine months of negotiations and consultations and which was approved by the representatives of 143 States, 7 against and 15 abstentions – identifies 56 priority areas of intervention, including peace and security, poverty, development, climate change, digital cooperation, cybersecurity, human rights, women's empowerment and youth. A separate chapter is dedicated to global governance reforms on which the future of international organizations and of the same large family of nations that make up the UN depends.

The “Pact for the Future” also includes two specific documents: a “Global Digital Pact” and a “Declaration on Future Generations”. The “Pact for the Future” is not a binding document but

expresses the commitment of the international community to build “the foundations for a sustainable, just and peaceful global order – for all peoples and nations”, as stated by the President of the Assembly.

Goal of the Session

After a long period in which the process of globalization has favored a culture of the present, the international community is orienting itself towards the culture of the future, an element of novelty that represents a great cultural, ethical, scientific, economic, social challenge. How to operate for the concrete implementation of the “Pact for the Future”? What scenarios to define? What tools, methodologies, plans to develop? There is no doubt that in the search for an answer to these questions, great support can come from an innovative use of the opportunities offered by new digital technologies, in particular from the use of Artificial Intelligence applied to shared global development plans, aimed at reducing the great imbalances that are currently recorded in the living conditions of the various international communities. In this regard, the question is: how is it possible to combine competition and collaboration to guarantee balanced development and truly shared progress?

The Session aims to offer participants the opportunity for reflection and open discussion on the characteristics, merits and limits of this important international agreement, on the implications of the commitment undertaken by States to build shared progress based on the diffusion of the culture of the future, of a programming of interventions projected in the long term, of a reform of the current global order.

Thematic areas

The main thematic areas that will be analyzed and evaluated during the Session are the following:

- From the culture of the present to the culture of the future: theoretical approach and proposals; political, economic and social actions; concrete experiences.
- The planning of long-term interventions: comparison between the concrete initiatives of international institutions, States, communities.
- The culture of scenarios and the practical experience of communities and individuals. The value of collaboration between science, politics, economy.
- The role of digital innovation in building future situations of development and shared progress.
- The contribution of the “Rise of Asia” to build a shared future for the entire international community

How to participate: Abstracts - Reports

Experts interested in participating in the Session are invited to submit proposals on the thematic areas to be explored, in the form of an Abstract to be reviewed by the Scientific Board of “The Rise of Asia” Conference; then to present their papers / reports in the conference session.

The Abstracts and Reports submitted by expert will be published on the official website of the conference and disseminated internationally. The working language is English.

The Session is promoted in cooperation between the Coordinator of the Conference “The Rise of Asia”, Prof. Darwis Khudori, University Le Havre Normandy, and Prof. Marco Ricceri, Coordinator of the Italian EURISPES BRICSLAB;

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