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## The United Nations at 80 – Towards a New World Order?

### Draft Agenda

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| 9:00 – 9:30   | Registration                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 09:30 – 9:35  | <b>Opening Speech</b><br><br>Mr. Alojzy Z. Nowak, Prof., Rector of the University of Warsaw                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 9:35 – 9:55   | <b>Keynote Address: Is Multilateralism Worth Defending?</b><br><br>Mr. Radosław Sikorski, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Foreign Affairs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 9:55 – 10:00  | <b>Introductory Remarks</b><br><br>Ms. Aleksandra Szorc, Head of the UN Information Centre in Warsaw                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 10:00 – 11:30 | <b>Panel I: The Role of UN Agencies in the UN80 Reform Process</b><br><br><i>Panelists:</i><br>Mr. Kevin Allen, UNHCR Representative in Poland<br><br>Ms. Nino Berdzuli, Dr., WHO Representative in Poland<br><br>Ms. Livia Styp-Rekowska, Chief of Mission, IOM Poland<br><br>Ms. Diana Vakarelska, Country Coordinator, UNICEF Refugee Response Office in Poland<br><br><i>Moderator:</i><br>Ms. Dorota Heidrich, Prof., Faculty of Political Science and International Studies, University of Warsaw |
| 11:30 – 11:45 | Coffee Break                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |



11:45 – 13:15

## **Panel II: 80 Years of Poland in the UN: Opportunities, Threats, and Challenges**

### *Panelists:*

Ms. Agata Duda-Płonka, Director of the Department of Global Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, *Poland's current role in the UN and plans for the future*

Ms. Katarzyna Szaran, Director of the Department of Strategic Communication and Countering International Disinformation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, *Disinformation as a threat to multilateralism*

Ms. Agnieszka Bieńczyk-Missala, Prof., Faculty of Political Science and International Studies, University of Warsaw, *From hope to helplessness: reflections on human rights on the 80th anniversary of the UN*

Mr. Patryk Kugiel, PhD., Faculty of Political Science and International Studies, University of Warsaw/PISM, *Global South countries in the UN – what role for the 80th anniversary of the organization?*

### *Moderator:*

Ms. Patrycja Grzebyk, Prof., Faculty of Political Science and International Studies, University of Warsaw

13:15 – 13:45

Lunch Break

13:45 – 15:15

## **Panel III: The Voice of Young Generation at the UN**

### *Panelists:*

Mr. Karol Zientek, Head of Political Economy Unit, United Nations Assistance Mission in Afghanistan (UNAMA)

Ms. Hanna Miśniakiewicz, former Polish Youth Delegate to the UN

Ms. Aleksandra Kobyłecka, current Polish Youth Delegate to the UN

Ms. Martyna Krzysztofińska, Head of United Nations Association Poland (UNAP)

### *Moderator:*

Ms. Agnieszka Homańska, Director of the Political Cabinet of the Minister of Foreign Affairs

15:15 – 15:30

## **Closing Remarks**

Ms. Dorota Heidrich, Prof., Faculty of Political Science and International Studies, University of Warsaw

Ms. Patrycja Grzebyk, Prof., Faculty of Political Science and International Studies, University of Warsaw