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PROGRAM

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OVERALL PROGRAM

MON 20th

- 9.15 Tour at the European Parliament
- 14.00 A crash course on Sápmi
- 16.00 Side event: Show Your Sámi Spirit!
- 18.00 Rematriation of a Ládjogahpir – Return to Máttaráhkká - Opening of Outi Pieski's exhibition, in collaboration with Eeva-Kristiina Nylander
- 19.00 Sámi Mingle

TUE 21st

- 8.30 High-Level Opening
- 10.00 EU-Sápmi Partnership - Alliance for the future
- 14.00 Climate Justice, the pathway to a sustainable future, for all
- 18.00 Reception with Sámi music and food
- 20.30 Starting from Staring, dance performance by Katja and Birit Haarla
- 22.00 Sámi DJ set by Savza

WED 22nd

- 9.00 The potential of Sámi culture
- 11.30 Concluding remarks

[Link to webstream](#)



MONDAY 20th

09.15 Tour at the European Parliament

- Registration closed

12.00 Conference registration opens at CoR

Committee of the Regions, VMA Building, rue Van Maerlant 2

12.30 Light lunch available for registered participants, CoR

14.00- A crash course on Sápmi

15.30 Room VM1, CoR

- Sápmi and the Sámi people *Members of Suoma Sámi Nuorat*
- Sápmi and the UN *Lars Anders Baer, Sámi parliament of Finland*
- Sápmi and the EU *Elle Merete Omma, Head of EU Unit, Saami Council*

16.00 Side event: Show Your Sámi Spirit!

Press Club, Rue Froissart 95

- A political-cultural event ft. Sámi popstar Ella Marie Haetta Isaksen and EXCLUSIVE clips from upcoming documentary 'Ella's Riot'.
- Host: MEP Alviina Alametsä
- REGISTER HERE

18.00 Rematriation of a Ládjogahpir – Return to Máttaráhkká

European Parliament

- Opening of art exhibition by Outi Pieski, in collaboration with Eeva-Kristiina Nylander
- Invited guests

19.00 Sámi Mingle

- Super informal mingle at Pl. du Luxembourg
- No registration necessary



TUESDAY 21st

8.30 High-Level Opening Room VM3, CoR

- Roberta Metsola, *President, European Parliament*
- Petra Laiti, *Chair, Suoma Sámi Nuorat*
- Håkan Jonsson, *President, Sámi Parliamentary Council*
- Heidi Hautala, *Vice-President, European Parliament*
- Virginijus Sinkevičius, *Commissioner, Environment, Oceans, and Fisheries*
- Dubravka Šuica, *Vice-President, European Commission*
- Christina Henriksen, *President, Saami Council*

10.00 EU-Sápmi Partnership - Alliance for the future Room VM3, CoR

- Host MEPs: Sirpa Pietikäinen (European People's Party) and Alice Bah Kuhnke (Greens/EFA)
- A Sámi EU Strategy - An expert opinion on priorities for the future, *Rune Fjellheim, EU-Sápmi Jurddabeassi*
- Sámit, one people living in four countries, the value of a partnership, *Håkan Jonsson, President, Sámi Parliamentary Council*
- From dialogue to partnership, taking the next step for the future, *Raphaël Goulet, DG MARE*
- EU taking action for Indigenous Peoples rights and participation globally – role of Sápmi, *Ms Luisa Ragher, Head of Division for the Human Rights Division, EEAS*

Panel discussion

- Alice Bah Kuhnke *Host MEP, Greens/EFA*
- Christina Henriksen *President, Saami Council*
- Tuomas Aslak Juuso *President, Sámi Parliament of Finland*
- Urmas Paet *MEP, Renew Europe, Chair of Arctic Friendship Group*



TUESDAY 21st

12.30 Lunch

14.00 **Climate Justice, the pathway to a sustainable future, for all**
Room VM3 CoR

- Host MEPs: Alviina Alametsä (Greens/EFA) and Erik Bergkvist (Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats)
- How consequences of the green transition affect Sápmi? *Mikael Kuhmunen*
- Demand for a just future for Sámi Youth, *Anni-Sofia Niittyvuopio, Chair, Finnish Sámi Parliament's Youth Council*
- How to walk the talk, the new EU Arctic Policy, *Michael Mann, EU Special Envoy for Arctic Matters*
- Why the EU will gain on a climate justice approach? *Jesus Maria Alquezar Sabadie, DG ENV*

Panel discussion

- Åsa Larsson Blind, *Vice-President, Saami Council*
- Silje Karine Muotka, *President, Sámi Parliament of Norway*
- Erik Bergkvist *Host MEP, S&D*
- Michael Mann, *EU Special Envoy for Arctic Matters*



TUESDAY 21st

18.00 Reception with Sámi food
[BOZAR, Rue Ravenstein 23](#)

- Concert by Sámi artist Marja Mortensson w/band
- Sámi Food by Slow Food Sápmi
- Pre-registered participants only

20.30 Starting from Staring - Sámi Dance Performance by Katja and Birit Haarla
[Beursschouburg, 20-28 Rue Aguste Orts](#)

- Organized in collaboration with Finnish Cultural Institute, Riddu Riđđu and Beursschouburg
- [Get tickets here](#)

22.00 Sámi DJ set by Savza
[Beursschouburg, 20-28 Rue Aguste Orts](#)

- Savza, Sámi house artist from Unjárga (NO), comes to Brussels from the frigid north to bring some fire to the dancefloor with strong basslines and crisp beats.
- Open entrance

WEDNESDAY 22nd

09.00 The potential of Sámi culture Room VM1, CoR

- Host MEPs: Nils Torvalds (Renew Europe) and Malin Björk (Left group)
- Kultur Sápmi Jurddabeassi report - Main takeaways for policy makers, *Christina Hætta, Head of the Culture Unit, Saami Council*
- The rise of Sámi literature, *Lea Simma, Tjállegoahtte*
- Sámi storytelling in a new shape, *Gunn-Britt Retter, International Sámi Film Institute*
- How EU can strengthen the Sámi culture? *Slawomir Tokarski, European Territorial Cooperation, Macro-regions, Interreg and Programmes ImplementationI, DG REGIO*

Panel discussion

- Nils Torvalds, Host MEP, Renew Europe
- Elle Rávdná Näkkäljärvi, *Youth board member, Sámi Association of Norway*
- Ol Johan Gaup, *Board member, Saami Council*
- Ulla-Karin Sarri, *Sámi Parliament of Sweden*
- Slawomir Tokarski, *European Territorial Cooperation, Macro-regions, Interreg and Programmes ImplementationI, DG REGIO*

11.30 Concluding remarks Room VM1, CoR

- Christina Henriksen, *President of the Saami Council*



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