



New global commission launched to create ‘blueprint for survival’ in new age of world instability

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A new high-level global commission, using the framework of **common security**, has been formed to tackle the risks to the contemporary world.

The concept of common security emerged from the conclusion of a commission in 1982 led by the Swedish prime minister Olof Palme. After 40 years, the time has come to reframe security and reimagine our world again. No single country can address the challenges of the modern world. The only true security is **common security**.

The new commission will present a far-reaching report for **Common Security 2022** that will form a **blueprint for survival** in the face of extreme challenges: climate change, unbalanced globalisation, crumbling disarmament treaties, the consequences of the Covid-19 pandemic, and the decline of democracy.

The project will be launched at a digital seminar:

Monday 14 June at 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. (Stockholm time) –
<https://www.facebook.com/events/137679205095362/>

The event will include the following participants:

Prime Minister Stefan Löfven of Sweden will introduce Common Security 2022.

Sweden’s Minister for EU Affairs, Hans Dahlgren – active in the secretariat of the Palme Commission – will provide insights into the work of the previous commission.

Seven members of the new global high-level advisory commission:

- *Sharan Burrow, General Secretary, ITUC*
- *Kumi Naidoo, Global Ambassador, Africans Rising for Justice, Peace and Dignity*
- *Saber Chowdhury, Member of the Bangladeshi Parliament and Honorary President of Inter-Parliamentary Union*
- *Winnie Byanyima, Executive Director, UNAIDS, and former head of Oxfam*
- *Sean Conner, International Peace Bureau*
- *Anna Fendley, Chair of the ITUC Youth Committee*
- *Rosaline Marbinah, OSCE Special Representative, Youth and Security*

In the next year, a number of flagship events will gather knowledge and perspectives, with the aim of the commission publishing its report in April 2022 at the conclusion of the project **Common Security 2022**.

The project is coordinated by the Olof Palme International Center, the International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC) and the International Peace Bureau.