Press Release

40 Nobel Laureates endorse Lindau Guidelines for an open, cooperative science community

- Ten goals for fair and more sustainable science – lindauguidelines.org
- Already 70 hours after the official start than 40 Nobel Laureates have shown their endorsement
- Scientists globally have started to sign the Lindau Guidelines
- Signing open for everyone who contributes to science – lindauguidelines.org/support
- Based on an initiative first introduced by Elizabeth H. Blackburn during the 68th Lindau Nobel Laureate Meeting
- Until 2 July 2021 the 70th Lindau Nobel Laureate Meeting is broadcasted from Lindau
- Journalists can get access to our livestream by accreditation

Some 70 hours after the beginning of the jubilee Lindau Nobel Laureate Meeting more than 40 Nobel Laureates have already endorsed the Lindau Guidelines – an initiative by fellow Laureate Elizabeth H. Blackburn in 2018. In her keynote lecture of the 68th Lindau Nobel Laureates Meeting she had called upon the 600 young scientists in the audience to develop and support a new approach for global, sustainable and cooperative open science. This initiative was met with very positive feedback from the audience and was discussed widely during the remainder of the meeting. Based on this, Elizabeth H. Blackburn and the Lindau Nobel Laureate Meetings started to explore what such a project would encompass and how to bring it to fruition. After the 68th Lindau Nobel Laureate Meeting 2018, a discussion about the Lindau Guidelines started, aiming to define ten goals until 2020.

From the end of June 2019 until the beginning of 2020, the original “Lindau Declaration” draft was open for general discussion in an online discussion space. Many comments and one entirely new goal could thus be integrated in the new Guidelines text. The final version of the ten goals can be found online at lindauguidelines.org, our website dedicated to the Lindau Guidelines.

The Lindau Online Science Days 2020 marked the final debate about the ten goals that build the Lindau Guidelines. A discussion during the final day of the Science Days stressed the importance of the goals for science and research.
Lindau Guidelines during #LINO70

The presentation of the Lindau Guidelines is again an integral part of the 70th Lindau Meeting programme. All scientists worldwide as well as scientific institutions can now adopt the ten goals and sign the guidelines online; or declare their support for them, respectively, implement them in their own organisation. The common goal of all supporters: to commit themselves to global, sustainable and cooperative open science in the 21st century.

Photos of the Lindau Guidelines are uploaded in our Flickr profile.

For questions, the communications team is at your disposal.

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About the Lindau Nobel Laureate Meetings

Since their foundation in 1951, the Lindau Nobel Laureate Meetings have developed into a unique international scientific forum. The annual Meetings provide an opportunity for an exchange between different generations, cultures and disciplines. The theme of the Lindau Meetings alternates between Physics, Chemistry or Physiology and Medicine – the three Nobel Prize scientific disciplines. Every five years an interdisciplinary Meeting takes place, while the Lindau Meeting on Economic Sciences is held every three years. Through the medium of various declarations (2020 for Open Science, 2015 on Climate Change, 1955 against the Use of Nuclear Weapons,) the scientists have repeatedly joined in the public debate with political appeals.

It was the Lindau physicians Franz Karl Hein and Gustav Wilhelm Parade who approached Count Lennart Bernadotte af Wisborg with the idea of a conference of Nobel Laureates and proceeded to jointly implement this with him – since 1953 with the participation of young scientists. Some 35,000 students, PhD candidates and post-docs have since taken part. Their experience of the Meeting may be literally once-in-a-lifetime, but they remain permanent members of the Lindau Alumni Network and ambassadors for scientific dialogue.

All year long the Lindau Nobel Laureate Meetings continue to pursue their “Mission Education” aimed at emphasising the importance of science and advocating science and research. This is also the purpose for which the online mediatheque is being developed into a learning platform which includes teaching materials for schools.

Further Information

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