

PROGRAMME:

DISCLAIMER: Please note that the agenda might be subject to changes. For an up-to-date agenda on the conference days, please refer to the agenda on the official IUF homepage: Agenda (internationaluyghurforum.org)

Arrival Day - October 29, 2023

Airport Pick-Up Service (all day)

Participants will arrive throughout the day to check into their hotel rooms.

18:00 - 21:00 Welcome Reception

VENUE ADDRESS:

Hotel Metropolitan Edmont (Yukyu Dining Hall)
10-8, Iidabashi-3chome,
Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 102-8130, Japan

18:00 - 18:30	Meet and Greet
18:30 - 18:40	Welcome Remarks (10 min with interpretation) by Dolkun Isa, President of World Uyghur Congress
18:40 - 18:50	Welcome Remarks (10 min with interpretation) by Hiromi Mitsubayashi (Japan) (Member of Parliament & Secretary-General Japan Uyghur Friendship Group) and the Japanese parliamentary caucus to investigate and take action on human rights abuses committed by China (JPCHC)
18:50 - 19:10	Showcase of Traditional Uyghur music and dance
19:10 - 20:00	Dinner
20:00 - 20:30	Fireside Chat with Arfiya Eri (Japan) (Member of Parliament) & Nury Turkel (Commissioner and former Chair of the U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom)
	<i>"Uyghurs Featured in the TIME 100: Successes and Challenges when Advocating for Uyghur Human Rights Globally"</i>
	Interviewer: Luke de Pulford (Executive Director, Inter-Parliamentary Alliance on China (IPAC))

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20:30 - 20:40	Housekeeping Rules (Zumretay Arkin, Director of Global Advocacy, World Uyghur Congress and Sawut Muhammad, Vice President, Japanese Uyghur Association (JUA))
20:40 - 21:30	Networking Event

Day 1 - October 30, 2023

6:30 - 8:00	Breakfast - (hotel)
8:15 - 8:45	Departure to the National Diet of Japan Participants gather in front of the hotel to await bus service to the IUF venue.
8:45 - 9:15	Accreditation Passport inspection of participants to enter the National Diet of Japan.
9:15 - 10:00	Opening Ceremony - (International Conference Room) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• National Hymn of Japan, followed by National Hymn of East Turkistan (5 min)• Short video (5 min)• Opening Remarks by Keiji Furuya (Chairman of the Japan-Uyghur Parliamentary Caucus (JUPC) and the Japanese parliamentary caucus to investigate and take action on human rights abuses committed by China (JPCHC) followed by Dolkun Isa (President, World Uyghur Congress) (5 min)• Video statements presentation Moderator: Hiromi Mitsubayashi (Japan) (Member of Parliament & Secretary-General Japan Uyghur Friendship Group)

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10:00 - 11:00

Panel 1 - (International Conference Room)

"China as a Systemic Rival: Europe, China and the World Beyond the Pandemic."

Panellists:

- Alexis Brunelle-Duceppe (Canada) (Member of Parliament)
- Nury Turkel (Commissioner and former Chair of the U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom)
- Ambassador Kelley Currie (ret.) (former U.S. Representative to the UN Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC))
- Pavel Fischer (Czech Republic) (Chair of Foreign Affairs Committee, Czech Senate and Co-chair of Inter-Parliamentary Alliance on China)

Moderator: Luke de Pulford (Executive Director, Inter-Parliamentary Alliance on China)

11:00 - 11:30

Networking Break

11:30 - 12:30

Panel 2 - (International Conference Room)

"A Lesson from Japan - Advocating and Building Alliances for Uyghur Human Rights in the Far East"

- Please note that this panel will be in Japanese with an English interpretation-

Panellists:

- Keiji Furuya (Japan) (Chairman of the Japan-Uyghur Parliamentary Caucus (JUPC) and the Japanese parliamentary caucus to investigate and take action on human rights abuses committed by China (JPCHC))
- Yoshiko Sakurai (Journalist, TV Presenter and Writer on Foreign Affairs Issues)
- Prof Tomoko Ako (China Studies and Sociology the University of Tokyo)

Afumetto Retepu (Japanese Uyghur Association)

**Open up the floor to contributions from the audience (via speaker's list)*

12:30 - 14:00

Lunch

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Lunch Events 1, 2 & 3

Lunch Event 1 - (Conference Room 2)

"Transnational Repression Toolkit: China's Long Arm of Cracking Down on Dissident Voices"

During this lunchtime event, the presenters will share their experiences and the work of their respective organisations and institutions regarding transnational repression. Participants can bring their lunch to this session if they wish.

Presenters:

- Laura Harth (Campaigns Director, Safeguard Defenders)
- David Tobin (Lecturer in East Asian Studies at the University of Sheffield)
- Zumretay Arkin (President, Uyghur Center for Democracy and Human Rights)
- Peter Irwin (Associate Director for Research and Advocacy, Uyghur Human Rights Project)

Moderator: Dean Baxendale (CEO, China Democracy Fund)

Lunch Event 2 - (Conference Room 3)

A VR Experience - "A 3D View of the Camps in East Turkistan by the Uyghur Transitional Justice Database (UTJD)"

Note: VR glasses will be provided

During this lunchtime event, the presenters will provide an update on the construction developments of the Camps in East Turkistan as seen on satellite imagery. Participants are furthermore invited to step inside the camps in a virtual reality setting and get an impression of the inside of the camps.

Presenters:

- Nathan Ruser (Researcher, Australian Strategic Policy Institute (ASPI))
- Bahtiyar Omer (Chairman of the Norway Uyghur Committee, Uyghur Transitional Justice Database)
- Kalbinur Sidik (Uyghur Camp Survivor)

Moderator: Abdureshid Eminhaci (General Secretary of the International Union of the East Turkistan Organizations)

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Lunch Event 3 - (International Conference Room)

Platform for Japanese Members of Parliament to Address the Atrocities against Uyghurs

Note: This event will be in Japanese with an English interpretation

During this lunchtime event, Japanese Members of Parliament and other high-level officials will gather to address the situation of the Uyghurs to identify and coordinate a unified approach towards the subject. International participants are welcome to sit in on this event.

10:00 - 11:00

Continuation of Main Programme

Interactive Dialogues 1 & 2

(Please note that the following two Interactive Dialogues are happening simultaneously)

14:00 - 15:30

Interactive Dialogue 1 - (International Conference Room)

"China's AI Dominance and its Threat to Global Civil Liberties"

Panellists:

- Amir Mawallil (Philippines) (Member of Parliament, Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao)
- Dr David O'Brien (Lecturer in East Asian Politics at Jagiellonian University Krakow)
- Ajay Dutt (India) (Member of Parliament)
- Cătălin Teniță (Romania) (Member of Parliament)

Moderator: Sophie Richardson (formerly China Director at HRW)

**Open up the floor to max 2 min contributions from the audience (via speaker's list)*

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Interactive Dialogue 2 - (Multipurpose Hall)

"China's Reproductive Violence Against Uyghur Women and Children to Eradicate Uyghur Identity and Belonging"

Panellists:

- Dr Jo Smith-Finley (Reader in Chinese Studies at Newcastle University)
- Kawsar Kamil (Director of Human Rights Committee, World Uyghur Congress)
- Sakamoto Nobuhiro (journalist)
- Genviève Garrigos (Councillor of Paris and former Chair of Amnesty International France)

Moderator: Prof Vanessa Frangville (China Studies at Université libre de Bruxelles)

**Open up the floor to max 2 min contribution from the audience (via speaker's list)*

16:00 - 17:00

Panel 3 - (International Conference Room)

"Exposing the Chinese Propaganda Machinery for Policy Purposes"

Panellists:

- Nathan Ruser (Researcher, Australian Strategic Policy Institute)
- Prof Sean Roberts (Associate Professor at The George Washington University's Elliott School of International Affairs)
- David Lega (Member of the European Parliament)
- Rushan Abbas (Executive Director, Campaign for Uyghurs)
- Kaori Arimoto (Journalist China & Foreign Affairs)

Moderator: Natalie Tegelberg (Head of Office at the European Parliament)

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Panel 4 - (International Conference Room)

"Fighting Uyghur Forced Labour through Legislative Action - A Multilateral Approach"

Panellists:

- Dr Adrian Zenz (Senior Fellow and Director in China Studies at the Victims of Communism Memorial Foundation)
- Dr Alicia Hennig (Business Ethics Expert, Technische Universität Dresden)
- Scott Busby (Former Deputy Assistant Secretary of State, Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor (USA))
- Prof Laura Murphy (Contemporary Slavery & Human Rights Expert, Helena Kennedy Centre for International Justice at Sheffield Hallam University)

Moderator: Chloe Cranston (Head of Thematic Advocacy, Anti-Slavery International)

**Open up the floor to contributions from the audience (via speaker's list)*

18:05

Group Picture in the National Diet

18:10

END OF DAY 1

Return of all participants to hotels via bus services

Free evening (dinner on own)

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Day 2 - October 31, 2023

6:30 - 8:00	Breakfast (hotel)
8:15	Participants gather in front of the hotel to await bus service to the IUF venue.
8:30	Departure to the National Diet of Japan
9:00 - 9:30	Accreditation
09:30 - 11:00	Interactive Dialogues 3 & 4 <i>(Please note that the following two panels are happening simultaneously)</i>

Interactive Dialogue 3 - (International Conference Room)

"Reframing the Concept of Chinese Transnational Repression against Uyghurs and other Dissenting Voices as a National Security Threat"

Panellists:

- Dr David Tobin (Lecturer in East Asian Studies at the University of Sheffield)
- Azeem Ibrahim (Senior Director at the Newlines Institute for Strategy and Policy)
- Muhammet Naci Cinisli (Turkiye) (Member of Parliament)
- Dolkun Isa (President of World Uyghur Congress)

Moderator: Laura Harth (Campaigns Director, Safeguard Defenders)

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Interactive Dialogue 4 - (Multipurpose Hall)

"Enhancing Deterrence in the Taiwan Strait and Indo-Pacific through Military and Diplomatic Alliances"

Panellists:

- Wuer'Kaixi (Chinese Pro-Democracy Leader, Taiwan)
- Matas Maldeikis (Lithuania) (Member of Parliament, Chair of Taiwanese Friendship Group)
- Marek Ženýšek (Czech Republik) (Member of Parliament, Chair of the Committee of Foreign Affairs of the Chamber of Deputies)
- Syerleena Abdul Rashid (Malaysia) (Member of Parliament)
- Freddy Lim (Taiwan) (Member of Parliament)

Moderator: Adam King (Regional Director of East Asia and the Pacific, International Republican Institute)

**Open up the floor to max 2 min contribution from the audience (via speaker's list)*

11:00 - 11:30

Networking Break

11:30 - 13:00

Interactive Dialogues 5 & 6

(Please note that the following two Interactive Dialogues are happening simultaneously.)

Interactive Dialogue 5 - (International Conference Room)

"Avenues Towards Legal Action: Mapping Foreign Influence Blocking Accountability on Human Rights Atrocities"

Panellists:

- Senator Paul Strauss (Shadow Senator for Washington D.C.)
- Ewelina Ochab (International Human Rights Lawyer, International Bar Association Human Rights Institute)
- Kannavee Suebsang (Thailand) (Member of Parliament)
- Sarah Teich (International Human Rights Lawyer)
- Michael Polak (Barrister at Church Court Chambers UK & Director of Justice Abroad)

Moderator: Mehmet Tohti (Executive Director, Uyghur Rights Advocacy Project)

**Open up the floor to max 2 min contribution from audience (via speaker's list)*

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Interactive Dialogue 6 - (Multipurpose Hall)

"The Cost of Inaction: Atrocity Crimes on the Rise - How Did Never Again Become Yet Again?"

Panellists:

- Prof Jun Kumakura (China and Soviet Union Studies at Hosei University)
- Dr Rian Thum (History Department, University of Manchester)
- Prof Satoshi Hirano (Asian Political and Diplomatic History at Tokyo University)
- Yusuf Aydin (Sweden) (Member of Parliament, Spokesperson for Religious Minorities' Rights within the Swedish Christian Democrats)
- Sradhanand Sital (Chairman of Global Human Rights Defence)

Moderator: Mia Hasenson-Gross (Executive Director, René Cassin)

**Open up the floor to max 2 min contribution from the audience (via speaker's list)*

13:00 - 14:30

Lunch

13:00 - 14:30

Lunch Events 3 & 4

Lunch Event 3 - (Conference Room 2)

"The Challenges of Taking Witness Testimony - Avoiding Re-Traumatisation and Mental Health Best Practices"

During this lunchtime event, the presenters will share their best practices when interviewing victim-survivors of gross human rights violations. They will present their latest work, lessons learned and best practices to take witness testimony, minimising the risk of re-traumatisation. Participants can bring their lunch to this session if they wish.

Presenters:

- Professor Dr Thomas Schulze (Director at Institute for Psychiatric Phenomics and Genomics, Ludwig Maximilian University Munich)
- Bahtiyar Omer (Director, Uyghur Transitional Justice Database)
- Gulbahar Haitiwaji (Uyghur camp survivor)

Moderator: Gheyur Qurban (Berlin Office Director, World Uyghur Congress)

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Lunch Event 4 - (Conference Room 3)

FAQs on M-62: *"Canada to Re-Settle 10,000 Uyghur Refugees Starting in 2024"*

During this lunchtime event, the presenters will answer any questions the audience may have regarding the M-62 Motion, which was passed in the Canadian House of Commons in February 2023. The Motion proposes resettling 10,000 Uyghurs in Canada over two years, starting in 2024. Participants can bring their lunch to this session if they wish.

Presenters:

- Mehmet Tohti (Executive Director at Uyghur Rights Advocacy Project (URAP))
- Polat Sayim (Director of World Uyghur Congress Refugee Center)
- Abdureshit Abdulhamit (President of World Uyghur Congress Foundation)

Moderator: Mehmet Celepci (Board Member of the Australian Uyghur Association)

Continuation of Main Programme

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Interactive Dialogues 7 & 8

(Please note that the following two Interactive Dialogues are happening simultaneously)

Interactive Dialogue 7- International Conference Room

"The Uyghur Genocide: A Perspective from the Islamic World"

Panellists:

- Doğan Bekin (Türkiye) (Member of Parliament)
- Ayyüce Türkeş Taş (Türkiye) (Member of Parliament)
- Mr Mohd Azmi Abdul Hamid (President of the Malaysia Consultative Council of Islamic Organization (MAPIM))
- Dr Abdul Razak Ahmad (Founding Director of Bait Al Amanah)
- Abdulhakim Idris (Executive Director, Center for Uyghur Studies)

Moderator: Abdul Salam Alim (East Turkistan Muslim Scholars Association)

**Open up the floor to a maximum of two minutes contribution from the audience (via speaker's list)*

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Interactive Dialogue 8 - (Multipurpose Hall)

"Exploring Cross-Movement Solidarity: How to Build Alliances"

Panellists:

- Omer Kanat (Executive Director, Uyghur Human Rights Project)
- Karma Choeying (Tibet) (attending on behalf of Sikyong Penpa Tsering)
- Sam Yip (Spokesperson of Japan Hong Kong Democracy Alliance)
- Olhunud Daichin (Vice Chairman, South Mongolia Congress Standing)
- Dr Ho Chao-tung (President of the Taiwan East Turkistan Association)

Moderator: Dorjee Tseten (Tibet Government in Exile)

**Open up the floor to max 2 min contribution from the audience (via speaker's list)*

16:00 - 16:30

Networking Break

16:30 - 17:30

Panel 5 - (International Conference Room)

"Action at the UN: Re-Establishing the Trust and Seeking Accountability through the UN-System"

Panellists:

- Tomoya Obokata (UN Special Rapporteur on Contemporary Forms of Slavery)
- Fernand de Varennes (former UN Special Rapporteur on Minority Issues)
- Ahmed Shaheed (former UN Special Rapporteur Freedom of Religion or Belief and Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Maldives)
- Zumretay Arkin (Director of Global Advocacy, World Uyghur Congress)

Moderator: Raphael Viana David (Programme Manager for China and Latin America, International Service for Human Rights).

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Press Conference

Where: TBD

18:30

End of Day 2

Departure for Farewell Dinner from the National Diet of Japan

18:45

Farewell Dinner with Traditional Uyghur Food

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*1 Chome-26-2 Higashiueno
Taito City, Tokyo 110-0015*

Farewell remarks by Afumetto Retepu, President of the Japanese Uyghur Association

Concluding remarks by Dolkun Isa, President of the World Uyghur Congress

Departure Day - November 01, 2023

Airport Drop-Off Service (all day)

6:30 - 8:00

Breakfast