Oslo Pax: Our Call for Action on Peace and Climate Change

Oslo, 5 September 2019: Young climate leaders, activists, experts and Nobel Prize laureates gathered together in a two-day dialogue organized by the Nobel Peace Center to take action on climate and peace and to advance a set of recommendations that will be taken to the UN Climate Action Summit in New York (23 September 2019).

Distinguished Chair of the Oslo Pax, Christiana Figueres, has endorsed recommendations put forward by the young climate leaders and experts.

Young climate leaders, activists and experts call on the Member States of the United Nations, governments, international organizations, and representatives of the private sector to:

1. **Recognize climate stability as a human right**
   a. Establish and uphold a constitutional right to a stable climate system capable of sustaining human life.
   b. Establish an international tribunal for the environment to hold perpetrators of conflict-related environmental impacts accountable.
   c. Uphold intergenerational equity principle.
   d. Protect the atmosphere as a public trust resource for current and future generations.

2. **Acknowledge climate change as a threat to international peace and security through the adoption of a United Nations Security Council resolution.**

3. **Provide people being displaced involuntarily by climate change with a safe homeland.**

4. **Rethink financial structures to reflect the need for sustainable economies based on growth with ecological and human integrity.**

5. **Provide carbon footprint transparency on all consumer products in order to facilitate more informed consumer choices.**

6. **Ensure women and girls of all ages world-wide participate equally in decision-making processes and labor markets and fully contribute to climate-related planning, policy-making and implementation. This includes improving policies and services related to health and addressing all forms of gender-based violence and exploitation. This also includes advancing gender desegregated data and policies around budgeting.**

7. **Commit to meaningful participation of Youth.**
   a. This must include promotion of bottom-up solutions to climate change and job-creation to help prevent and resolve social tensions that may otherwise lead to conflict.
   b. Invest in young people’s capacities, agency and leadership on climate action, through substantial funding support for network-building and capacity strengthening.