



## Summary of the first Nobel Prize Summit

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Dre. Saôde Savary has participated in the first Nobel Prize Summit, held virtually from April 26 to 28 under the theme: *Our Planet, Our Future*.

The aim was to promote a transformation to global sustainability for human prosperity and equity. The conversation focussed on three key areas:

1. Climate Change and Biodiversity Loss,
2. Reducing Inequality, and
3. Technology's power to meet the challenges of sustainability.

The Summit ended with experts joining the Nobel Prize Laureates to issue an Urgent *Call for Action*. This document makes an evidence-based diagnostic on the current state of the planet; it proposes solutions for a sustainable, and more equitable future.

### Few Highlights from the discussions

1. The Earth has entered a new geological epoch: the Anthropocene. It is characterized by an accelerated speed in production, uncontrolled rapid growth, and unexpected shocks at global levels. Much like pandemics, climate change is one of the most serious planetary shocks of this new epoch.
2. Global warming is at the core of contemporary debates on climate justice, along with exponential losses of habitat and biodiversity. They are the corollary of multiple, intensive experiments that have destabilized Earth's life-support systems that sustain earth's resilience, and determine the state of our planet.
3. The asymmetric distribution of wealth and resources has widened the inequalities gap, engulfing the most vulnerable persons, mainly women and racial minorities. These inequalities are exacerbated by climate change; they have catalyzed a quest for social justice, in terms of a new equity-based social contract, to prevent successive violations of rights that destabilize structures, and institutions in several countries.



4. The decade 2020/2030 is a decisive one that is urging for immediate solutions. We need to develop effective planetary stewardship through: (i) Equity - informed policies that help narrow the gaps while increasing resilience for the Planet (ii) Sustainability driven innovations (iii) Education oriented towards planetary stewardship (iv) Convergence - focused economic models (v) Production and sharing of scientific knowledge, as per article 27 of the Human Rights Declaration, with regard to the right to credible information.
5. The acceleration of the technological revolution requires deliberate and strategic guidance to support the transformation towards sustainability. Otherwise, this revolution will be a disruptive force detrimental to sustainable development.
6. The future of humanity depends on the ability to make long-term, collective decisions to navigate the Anthropocene period.
7. The long-term potential of humanity depends upon our ability, today, to reconcile ourselves with Nature, to become effective stewards of the Global Commons and to value our common future.

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Projects of our laureates are published at "[Thank You United Nations, UN 2020](#)" eBook. Some of our participants were among the 35-person delegation of the International Alliance of Women (IAW) to the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) in New York City from March 15-26, 2021.

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