

# **Welcome to Rotary District 1900 ONLINE WORLD-POLIO-DAY**





## **International Online-Conference on World-Polio-Day**

Join in online when Rotary clarifies where everyone stands in the common fight against Polio. Hear contributions from prominent supporters like Holger Knaack (President 2020/21 of Rotary International), UNICEF, WHO, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, and many other international experts.

Why is Rotary's PolioPlus programm so important? What is being done worldwide to ensure a successful infrastructure? How can we all help? You can hear the answers to these and many other questions while traveling or listening comfortably from home.

## **Covid-19 and Polio**

The Corona Pandemic has emphasized the importance of the PolioPlus project of Rotary.

Presently the global polio vaccination network is playing a decisive role, not only in the fight against polio, but also against Covid-19

Learn more about the Rotary vaccination network against Polio here







**SATURDAY** 24<sup>th</sup> October 2020 10<sup>00</sup> - 12<sup>30</sup> CET



## Voices:

"I am from a generation who has witnessed the devastating effects of polio. When I discovered how close we were to eradicating polio. I was very motivated to be a part of this movement. It is so rare when you can accomplish something so spectacular."

Angelique Kidjo, singer-songwriter





# Program

#### **Moderation:**

Michaela Padberg, television presenter

- 10:00 Switzerland: **Urs Herzog**, Rotary Polio-Chair Germany/Switzerland and Liechtenstein *Welcome to an almost polio-free world*
- 10:05 Germany: Holger Knaack, President 2020/21 Rotary International Why is polio one of my main concerns?
- 10:20 Germany: Anke Schewe, Rotary Governor in Rotary District 1900 Greetings from the host district
- 10:25 Germany: Christian Schleuss, Polio Rotary District 1900 What happened until now? 10:30 Chat-Discussion

### **GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES**

- 10:35 Germany: Hans-Joachim Wöbbeking, Polio-patient *I live with polio*
- 10:40 Pakistan: **Tayyaba Gul**, Polio Pakistan *My frontwork with health workers*
- 10:45 Afghanistan: Laiq Karimi, former vaccination helper The way to the mountain villages
- 10:50 Nigeria: **Tunji Funsho**, Chair Polio Plus Committee Nigeria **Reaching the polio free status - strategies**

10:55 Chat-Discussion



# GLOBAL POLIO ERADICATION INITIATIVE (GPEI) EXPLAINS

- 11:05 USA: Mike McGovern, Rotary International Chair PolioPlus Committee Backbone of polio eradication
- 11:10 Switzerland: **Michel Zaffran**, Director WHO Polio *Why we must not give up*
- 11:15 USA: **Sue Gerber**, Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation *Why we fight polio*
- 11:20 Jordanien: Hamid Jafari, Center of Disease Control and WHO The road to polio-free Pakistan und Afghanistan
- 11:25 Switzerland: **Melissa Corkum**, Polio Senior Manager UNICEF UNICEFs core role in polio eradication
- 11:30 Switzerland: Stephen Sosler, GAVI (Global Alliance for Vaccination and Immunization)
  GAVI The vaccine alliance 's role in helping to achieve a polio-free world
  11:25 Chat Discussion

11:35 Chat-Discussion



11:45 Germany:	Hans-Iko Huppertz, President Academy for Child/Youth Medicine Polio vaccination in Germany?
11:50 Germany:	Anne von Fallois, Polio Plus National Advocacy Advisor Securing government funds to tight polio: Rotary in conversation with government and politics
11:55 Germany:	Birgit Pickel, Bundesministerium für wirtschaftliche Zusammenarbeit What Germany is contributing to ending polio
12:00 Switzerland:	Joachim W. Koch, Polio Rotary District 1980 Switzerland Why the fight against polio must go on

12:05 Chat Discussion

12:25 Switzerland: Urs Herzog Summary and farewell

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