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8.30AM - 7.00PM | KROON HALL

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8:30 A.M. — 9:00 A.M.  BREAKFAST

9:00 A.M. — 9:15 A.M.  WELCOME REMARKS
  •  Albert Ko, Yale University

9:15 A.M. — 9:45 A.M.  KEYNOTE
  •  Marina Silva, Ministry of Environment and Climate Change (Brazil) (virtual)
    Introduction by Alessandra Sampaio, Founder of the Dom Phillips Institute

9:45 A.M. — 10:15 A.M. OPENING COMMENTS
  •  João Biehl, Princeton University
    Introduction by Claudia Valeggia, Yale University

10:15 A.M. — 11:45 A.M. ENVIRONMENTAL CRISIS IN THE AMAZON
A panel that focuses on the impact that climate change has had in the Amazon ecosystem and on public health. It will also discuss the possible actions that can be taken through environmental legislation.
  •  Eliane Brum, Sumauáma
  •  Caetano Scannavino, Health and Joy Project
  •  Kristina Lyons, University of Pennsylvania
    Moderated by Paulo Brando, Yale University

11:45 A.M. — 1:00 P.M.  LUNCH
1:00 P.M. — 2:30 P.M.  HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS AND POLITICAL CONFLICTS IN THE AMAZON
A panel that focuses on illegal logging, human rights violations, attacks on indigenous territory and other political conflicts in the Amazon. There will be a legal approach here as well.
- David Cordero-Heredia, Cornell University and The Pontifical Catholic University of Ecuador
- Daniel Camargos, Repórter Brasil
- Daniela Alarcon, Ministry of Indigenous Peoples (Brazil)
- Ivo Cípio Aureliano, Indigenous Council of Roraima
  Moderated by Tom Phillips, The Guardian

2:30 P.M. — 4:30 P.M.  VOICES OF THE ACTIVISTS IN THE AMAZON
The fight against modern slavery, the goal of increasing awareness about indigenous issues, and in defense of indigenous health.
- Olimpio Guajajara, Guardians of the Forest
- Joênia Wapichana, National Foundation of Indigenous Peoples (Brazil)
- Beto Marubo, Union of Indigenous Peoples of Vale do Javari
  Moderated by Glenn Shepard, Goeldi Museum

4:30 P.M. — 5:00 P.M.  SYNTHESIS AND NEXT STEPS
- Tom Phillips, The Guardian
- Eliane Brum, Sumaúma
- Alessandra Sampaio, Founder of the Dom Phillips Institute

5:00 P.M. — 5:15 P.M.  CLOSING REMARKS
- Gerald Torres, Yale University

5:15 P.M. — 6:15 P.M.  RECEPTION AND PHOTO EXHIBIT
- Welcome by Steven Wilkinson, Yale University

7:00 P.M.  DINNER — INVITEES ONLY
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Bruno Pereira dedicated his life to protecting indigenous peoples and their territories while Dom Phillips immersed himself in the Amazon to understand its diversity of contexts and knowledge in order to spread it. Pereira, a Brazilian sertanista - a specialist in isolated peoples - formed indigenous monitoring groups in the Javari valley, equipping them with modern technology to defend their communities and ways of life. Phillips, a British journalist, amplified the voices of traditional peoples, shedding light on environmental, social and economic crises in the region. Tragically, both lost their lives during a research trip, highlighting the violence faced by environmental defenders. Their legacies inspire us to continue their fight for the Amazon and its guardians. As we honor and celebrate Bruno Pereira and Dom Phillips, we also reaffirm the importance of the causes they fought for: the respect and protection of the rights of traditional Amazonian communities, the Amazon and all life within it.

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