



2020 AFGHANISTAN CONFERENCE, 23–24 NOVEMBER, GENEVA  
PEACE, PROSPERITY AND SELF-RELIANCE

**Note to correspondents: Plenary session of the 2020 Afghanistan Conference, speaking order (24 November 2020)**

Please find below the programme of the 2020 Afghanistan Conference for tomorrow, including the indicative speaking order for Bilateral Statements (subject to change).

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**Plenary session of the 2020 Afghanistan Conference, 24 November 2020**

**Opening Session at 9:00-10:00 Geneva time**

Welcoming remarks: H.E. Tatiana Valovaja, Director-General of the United Nations at Geneva

Opening remarks: H.E. Pekka Haavisto, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Finland

Opening remarks: H.E. Mohammad Haneef Atmar, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Islamic Republic of Afghanistan

Opening remarks: H.E. Abdul Hadi Arghandehwal, Minister of Finance of Islamic Republic of Afghanistan

Opening remarks: H.E. Ms Deborah Lyons, Special Representative of the Secretary General of the United Nations

Opening remarks: H.E. Josep Borrell Fontelles, High Representative of the European Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy

Opening remarks: H.E. Ignazio Cassis, Head of the Federal Department of Foreign Affairs of the Swiss Confederation

Keynote speech: H.E. Mohammad Ashraf Ghani, President of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan

Keynote speech: H.E. António Guterres, Secretary-General of the United Nations

**The first slot of Bilateral Statements at 10:00-11:00 Geneva time**

European Union

Japan

UK



Canada  
Netherlands  
Denmark  
Norway  
Sweden  
Italy  
Australia  
India  
Pakistan  
Russia  
Iran  
Turkmenistan  
Uzbekistan

**Readout from the three side events held on Monday 23 November 11:30-11:45 Geneva time**

Sustainable peace building  
Institutional and societal methods for fighting corruption  
Economic priorities and aid effectiveness

**Afghan Civil Society Joint Statement 11:45-12:00**

**The second slot of Bilateral Statements at 12:00-13:30 Geneva time**

Tajikistan  
UAE  
Turkey  
China  
Kazakhstan  
Qatar  
Saudi Arabia  
Czech Republic  
Estonia  
Greece  
Indonesia  
Ireland  
Latvia

Lithuania  
Luxembourg  
Malta  
Switzerland  
Ukraine  
Austria  
Bulgaria  
France  
Georgia  
Poland  
Slovakia  
Spain  
Romania  
Montenegro

**The afternoon slot of Bilateral Statements at 15:00-17:30 Geneva time**

Portugal  
Azerbaijan  
Bahrain  
Bangladesh  
Belgium  
Croatia  
Egypt  
Jordan  
Korea  
Malaysia  
Mongolia  
New Zealand  
Kuwait  
ADB  
IMF  
World Bank  
SCO  
Germany  
Iceland  
SAARC

ICRC  
IOM  
NATO  
OIC  
OSCE  
UNDP  
UNESCO  
UNFPA  
UNHABITAT  
UNHCR  
USA  
UNICEF  
UNMAS  
UNOCHA  
UNODC  
WFP  
WHO  
FAO  
ILO  
OECD  
UNIDO  
Aga Khan Development Network  
UN Women  
Finland

**Closing session and Joint Communiqué at 17:30-18:00 Geneva time**

H.E. Ville Skinnari, Minister for Development Cooperation and Foreign Trade of Finland

H.E. Abdul Hadi Arghandehwal, Minister of Finance of Islamic Republic of Afghanistan

H.E. Mohammad Haneef Atmar, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Islamic Republic of Afghanistan

H.E. Deborah Lyons, Special Representative of the Secretary General of the United Nations