

EVENT FORMAT

The forum will adopt the format of roundtable conversations where around 40 participants will sit in one concentric table. This is one of the most effective and flexible options for deep discussions and collective exchange. Six sessions will be conducted during both days (opening session, closing session and four thematic sessions). Each thematic session is divided in two parts and has a moderator, a keynote speaker and three experts who will present the topics in depth during the first part. Interaction and interventions of all participants happen in the second part of the sessions.



PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

Saturday, 05/12/2015

09:00h-10:00h: Breakfast 10:00h-10:30h: Opening Session 10:30h-11:45h: 1st Session: Part 1 11:45h-12:00h: Coffee Break 12:00h-13:00h: 1st Session: Part 2 13:00h-15:00h: Lunch and free time 15:00h-16:15h: 2nd Session: Part 1 16:15h-16:30h: Coffee Break 16:30h-17:30h: 2nd Session: Part 2 17:30h-18:00h: Group Meetings 20:00h-22:00h: Dinner

Sunday, 06/12/2015

09:00h-10:00h: Breakfast 10:00h-11:15h: 3rd Session: Part 1 11:15h-11:30h: Coffee Break 11:30h-12:30h: 3rd Session: Part 2 12:30h-13:30h: Lunch 13:30h-14:45h: 4th Session: Part 1 14:45h-15:00h: Coffee Break 15:00h-16:00h: 4th Session: Part 2 16:00h-16:30h: Closing Session

> Place: Wellington Hotel Calle Velázquez 8, Madrid

Common Action Forum 2015

Steps of Progress in Times of Crisis

Dear Mr. Antonio Romero Román

I am writing to invite you to participate in the official launch of the **Common Action Forum** to be celebrated in its forthcoming annual round table conference on *Steps of Progress in Times of Crisis*. The event will be held on the <u>5th and 6th December 2015 in Madrid/Spain</u>.

The Common Action Forum (CAF) is an international non-profit foundation intended to establish an independent platform of long term cooperation, research, innovation and advisory in order to shape solutions and empower global citizens to address sociopolitical issues and economical inequalities of our time.

In this event, the discussions are organized in four different fields: international affairs, society, politics and economics. Through the different sessions we will face the idea of progress developed along the last centuries within the evolution of a system that now seems to reach its limits. Global statistics show unforeseen inequalities even in the rich countries of the North while countries of the South are struggling with scarcities and conflicts. The unfolding realities of transnationalism, exchange, mobility and mobilization have no more place for expansion and exclusion without crisis. Mass communication is no longer unidirectional, knowledge is no longer exclusivity for elites and human behavior is no longer isolated from intercultural and technological influences.

We believe your presence at the roundtable will enrich the discussion and greatly enhance this enterprise, intended to deliver real alternatives on a long term with engaged work. Simultaneous translation will be available during the roundtables (English and Spanish). We will be pleased to cover your travel (the most convenient flight with tourist fair) and accommodation costs during the event (Wellington Hotel, Madrid).

To confirm your assistance, please kindly contact Rafael Heiber, director of the CAF: rafael.heiber@commonactionforum.net

We look forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience.

Yours Sincerely,

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