

Conference Programme

09:00	Welcome and Opening	John Treacy Chair, Concern Worldwide
	Opening Remarks and Introduction of President Michael D. Higgins	Dominic MacSorley Chief Executive Officer, Concern Worldwide
09:15	Keynote Address	President Michael D. Higgins Uachtarán Na hÉireann
09:40	A Journey of Hope	Aline Joyce Berabose Concern Youth Ambassador
10:00	The role of technology in helping the world's most vulnerable people recover and rebuild their lives	Mary Snapp Corporate Vice President of Microsoft Philanthropies
10:15	Breaking the Cycle	Caitriona Dowd Humanitarian Policy Adviser, Concern Worldwide
10:40	Coffee break	
11:10	Keynote Address	United Nations Deputy Secretary-General Amina Mohammed
11:35	Conflict, Hunger and Displacement	Mary Robinson President of the Mary Robinson Foundation – Climate Justice
	Moderator Connell Foley	Alex de Waal Executive Director of the World Peace Foundation Jan Egeland Secretary General, Norwegian Refugee Council Abraham Bongassie Wanta Country Director, Concern Worldwide, Republic of Sudan



12:50	Lunch	
13:55	Keynote Address	President Bill Clinton
14:20	Peacemaking and Peacebuilding	Patrick Colgan Special Representative of the Irish Government to the Colombian Ministry for Post Conflict
	Moderator Nora Owen	Leymah Roberta Gbowee Nobel Peace Laureate and President of Gbowee Peace Foundation Africa Rim Turkmani Member of the Women's Advisory Board to the United Nations Special Envoy for Syria
15:35	Coffee break	
16:05	Spoken Word Performance	Felispeaks (AKA Felicia Olusanya) Spoken Word Performance Artist and Writer
16:10	Strategies to Break the Cycle of Conflict, Hunger and Human Suffering	Ambassador Fatima Kyari Mohammed Permanent Observer of the African Union to the United Nations
	Moderator Áine Lawlor	Ameerah Haq Former United Nations Under-Secretary-General for the Department of Field Support Sarhang Hamasaheed Director of Middle East Programs, U.S. Institute of Peace Ruairí de Burca Director General, Irish Aid
17:25	Closing Remarks	Dominic MacSorley Chief Executive Officer, Concern Worldwide
18:30	Guests are invited to a reception at the opening of HUMANITY Site Unseen - an exhibition of the paintings and drawings of Irish artist Brian Maguire following his recent visit to a Protection of Civilian Camp in Bentiu, South Sudan with Concern. This event will take place in the Royal Hibernian Gallery, Ely Place, Dublin 2.	

