### **Guest Bios**



**Mr. Derek Garfield:** Derek is the current Vice President of the Utah International Mountain Forum. He is in his senior year at UVU pursuing a degree in Political Science with a concentration in World Politics and a minor in Constitutional Studies. Derek has lived in four countries and speaks three languages.

**Ms. Megan Raines:** Megan Raines graduated with honors in 2017, receiving a Political Science degree from Utah Valley University. She is currently pursuing a Masters of Public Administration degree at UVU. She enjoys teaching voice, blogging, and raising her ten children.





**Prof. Baktybek Abdrisaev, Utah Valley University:** Dr. Baktybek Abdrisaev has been a Lecturer in the Departments of History and Political Science at Utah Valley University since 2005. He was a Member of the Kyrgyz Parliament from 1995 to 2000 and served as an Ambassador of the Kyrgyz Republic to the U.S. and Canada from 1997 – 2005. Dr. Abdrisaev received his Ph.D. in Applied Physics in 1990 and he has authored more than 100 articles in the areas of applied optics, sustainable development, and diplomacy.

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'Mountains Under Pressure: Climate, Hunger, and Migration'

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PLACE: UVU, LA 116

Orem, UT



## Agenda:

**Welcome and Introduction:** by Jenny Hoppie, President, Sustainable Mountain Development Club

#### **Guest Presentations:**

Dr. Baldomero Lago, CIO/Vice-Rector for Global Engagement, UVU – Introduced by Matt Rands, President, Utah International Mountain Forum

Greetings from Mayor Richard Brunst, City of Orem – Introduced by Diane Acevedo, VP, Sustainable Mountain Development Club

**Letters of Greeting from UVU Partners –** Read by Jenny Hoppie, President, Sustainable Mountain Development Club

**Ms.** Chelsey Butchereit, Refugee Advocate - Introduced by Diane Acevedo, VP, Sustainable Mountain Development Club

Ms. Gina Cornia, Executive Director, Utahns Against Hunger, Orem Utah – Introduced by Lacee Meyer, VP, Utah International Mountain Forum

Ms. Colleen Bye, Citizens Climate Lobby, Salt Lake City Chapter - Introduced by Dylan Genes, Member, Foreign Affairs Club

### **UVU Student Presentations:**

- Mr. Derek Garfield- "Indigenous people of Sami, Sweden"
- Ms. Megan Raines- "Helping orphans in Uganda"

### **Presentation of FAO/UN Certificates of Contribution:**

– by Dr. Baktybek Abdrisaev, Focal Point for the Mountain Partnership at UVU – Introduced by Danny Davis, Member, UIMF

<u>Closing Remarks:</u> by Jenny Hoppie, President, Sustainable Mountain Development Club



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**Dr. Baldomero Lago, CIO/Vice-Rector for Global Engagement, UVU:** Dr. Lago organizes and manages UVU's global and intercultural academic initiatives. He is the Honorary Consul of Spain in Utah and was awarded the title of Knight Commander of the Royal Order of Civil Merit by King Phillip VI of Spain in 2016.

**Mayor Richard Brunst, City of Orem:** Richard Brunst received a degree in political science from Brigham Young University and an MBA from Arizona State University. He is the owner of Western Pipe Coaters & Engineers and has run the company for 31 years. A long-time resident of Orem, Mr. Brunst and his wife have raised 4 children in Utah. He was elected Mayor of Orem in November 2103.





**Ms. Chelsey Butchereit, Refugee Advocate:** Ms. Butchereit holds a master's degree in Public Health from Brigham Young University and a certificate in Forced Migration from Oxford University. She teaches at BYU on refugee and migrant health issues.

**Ms. Gina Cornia, Executive Director of Utahns Against Hunger:** Ms. Cornia has been the Director of Utahns Against Hunger since 2001. For 21 years, she has worked with elected state and federal officials on the issues of hunger and poverty.





Ms. Colleen Bye, Citizens Climate Lobby, Salt Lake City Chapter: Ms. Bye teaches in the Developmental Math Department at Utah Valley University. In June, she and two UVU students joined the Citizen's Climate Lobby in Washington DC to promote legislation addressing climate change.

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