Julia Marton-Lefèvre has been at the helm of several important global environmental and science organizations. She will discuss the way in which the use of nature is governed—what works and what does not, and how to find the right balance between saving biodiversity and sustainable development. She will propose, and hopes to discuss with the audience solutions for both people and for nature by positioning nature as providing solutions for global and local challenges.

Julia Marton-Lefèvre was the longest serving Director General of IUCN (International Union for Conservation of Nature) until she stepped down in 2014. Prior to this position, she was Rector of the University for Peace, Executive Director of LEAD International and Executive Director of The International Council for Science. She is a member of several boards in the fields of environment, development, science and international cooperation. In 1999, she received the AAAS Award for International Cooperation in Science. In 2008, she was awarded the “Chevalier de l’Ordre national de la Légion d’Honneur” by the French Government and was named Global Ambassador for Hungarian Culture. She is a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society of the United Kingdom and a Fellow of the World Academy of Art and Science. She studied history, ecology and environmental planning in the USA and France.

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