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Opening Ceremony of the 2016 International Year of Global Understanding (IYGU)

at 2 p.m. on February 2, 2016
at the Volkshaus in Jena.

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14:00 — 15:30

Welcome speeches

Prof. Walter Rosenthal (Germany)

President of the Friedrich Schiller University

Wolfgang Tiefensee (Germany)

Minister of Economy, Science and Education

Vladimir Kolosov (Russia)

International Geographical Union (IGU)

Adama Samassékou (Mali)

International Council of Human Sciences
and Philosophy (CIPSH)

Mathieu Denis (Canada)

International Social Science Council (ISSC)

Martin Visbeck (Germany)

International Council for Science (ICSU)

Paul Shrivastava (India)

Future Earth: Research for Global
Sustainability (ICSU/ISSC)

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Keynote speaker

Prof. Klaus Töpfer

(former Executive Director of UNEP,
Bundesminister a.D.)

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Break

15:45

Presentations

The Tyranny of Pedagogies: Changing Mindsets to Achieve Sustainable Development Goals

Anantha Duraipappah (Malaysia, Director of the
UNESCO Mahatma Gandhi Institute New Delhi)

Our World is Increasingly Challenging

Jack Dangermond
(Founder and CEO of ESRI, USA)

Watching the Earth Breathe

Julia Marshall (Max-Planck-Institute
for Biogeochemistry Jena, Canada)

Governing a Warmer Planet: Climate Change, Inequality, and Democracy

Nico Stehr (Director of the European Center for
Sustainability Research, Zeppelin
University Friedrichshafen, Germany)

Social Acceleration and De-Synchronization: Key Concepts for Global Understanding

Hartmut Rosa (Max Weber Center for Advanced
Cultural and Social Studies / DFG-Research Group
on Post-Growth Societies, Germany)

Role and Potential of IYGU Regional Action Centers

Luiz Oosterbeek (University of Tomar, Portugal),
Helena Henriques (University of Coimbra, Portugal)

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17:30

Reception