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**INVITATION**



## **DR. BERTRAND PICCARD**

### **DOCTOR OF MEDICINE, TIRELESS RESEARCHER, INNOVATOR**

Dr. Bertrand Piccard is a contemporary promoter of sustainable development, an influential researcher in the field of renewable energy and an authority recognized by the most eminent institutions and personalities in the world.

He is a Doctor of Medicine by profession—a specialist in the field of psychiatry, psychotherapy and interpersonal communication. However, he primarily devoted his life and scientific achievements to activities related to climate and environment protection, as well as to courageous and risky expeditions with astonishing effects which define directions for further development. Going beyond the accepted boundaries and reaching out for what was considered to be impossible seem to be Dr. Piccard's most natural features. He proved it through his two flights around the globe – first by a balloon, and then by plane powered entirely by solar energy, breaking new world records. As for the plane, he proposed it himself, against the opinion of many specialists.

Solar Impulse Foundation created by Dr. Piccard and his wife, Michele, grows into the leader in shaping awareness for clean energy through partnership relations between the developers of new technologies and investors.

His recent project is the World Alliance for Efficient Solutions aimed at selecting 1000 proposals that not only protect the environment, but are also economically justified.

Dr. Bertrand Piccard has been awarded many times, including the Legion of Honour, the Olympic Order, the Order of Saint Charles and the Aeronautical Medal. He has also become an honorary doctorate of numerous universities.

The Silesian University of Technology is very honoured and proud to confer the title of Doctor Honoris Causa upon Bertrand Piccard.

### **THE RECTOR AND THE SENATE OF THE SILESIAN UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY**

would like to request the honour  
of your presence at

### **the ceremony of the Conferment of the Title of DOCTOR HONORIS CAUSA upon Doctor Bertrand Piccard**

The ceremony will be held  
on 5th December 2018 at 11:00 a.m.  
in the Education and Congress Centre  
at the Silesian University of Technology  
ul. Konarskiego 18 B, Gliwice

Please confirm your participation by 26th November 2018  
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### **AGENDA:**

- 11:00 – 12:45 Ceremony of the Conferment of the title of Doctor Honoris Causa upon Doctor Bertrand Piccard
- 12:45 – 13:30 Refreshments for guests
- 13:30 – 17:00 Scientific conference  
“Innovative activities of the Silesian University of Technology for climate and environment protection.”

For more detailed information regarding the event and conference, please refer to our website: [www.polsl.pl](http://www.polsl.pl)