

# Four women vying for UN's top job

Candidates for the UN Secretary General's office will for the first time present their agendas at two public debates in New York and London, faced by representatives of the 193-member General Assembly



**Helen Clark:** Former Prime Minister of New Zealand and current head of UN Development Programme. Supports reform of UN Security Council, with Germany, Japan, India and Brazil made permanent members



**Vesna Pusić:** Croatian sociologist and former foreign minister. Oversaw Croatia's EU accession in 2013. Outspoken liberal views, aims to put emphasis on women's health and welfare



**Irina Bokova:** Bulgarian Ambassador to France and Monaco from 2005-09, Director-General of UNESCO since 2009. Prompted outrage in U.S. Congress by admitting Palestine as UNESCO member in 2011



**Natalia Gherman:** Former Moldovan deputy prime minister and foreign minister. Moscow could block selection as result of long-running friction between Moldova and Russia over breakaway region of Transnistria

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