

Vienna European Leadership Conference

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Universal Peace Federation - Women's Federation for World Peace - ACUNS Vienna European Leadership Conference *"Europe and Russia – Partners in a Globalised World"* October 12th and 13th, 2012 Vienna International Centre (U.N.Building) & NH Danube City Hotel

The Universal Peace Federation (UPF) in cooperation with the Women's Federation for World Peace and the Academic Council on the United Nations System (ACUNS) Vienna are convening a European Leadership Conference *entitled, "Europe and Russia – Partners in a Globalised World"* on Friday October 12th and Saturday 13th 2012.

The conference is part of a series of European Leadership Conferences on issues of pressing concern for Europe and the world, held at the United Nations in Geneva and Vienna, UNESCO in Paris, National Parliaments in the United Kingdom and Norway, and in the Presidential Palace in Malta. Participants from all over Europe have gathered and there is a delegation of politicians, academics, NGO and youth representatives from Russia and former Soviet Union nations. This follows the kind invitation to Moscow in April of this year for a conference entitled, "*Russia-Europe Dialogue - Peace and Security in Multicultural Societies at a Time of Global Crisis*".

Europe and Russia - Partners in a Globalized World

European Leadership Conference - Vienna, Austria, 12th - 13th October 2012

Draft Programme

Friday, 12th October - Vienna International Centre (U.N. Building)

07:30 Breakfast at the hotel

08:30 Check in at the Vienna International Centre

09:30 SESSION I: Europe and Russia - Partners in a Globalized World

Mag. Barbara Prammer, President of the Austrian parliament (video message)
H.E. Sergey Nechaev, Ambassador of the Russian Federation to Austria
Dr. Werner Fasslabend, Minister of Defence Austria (1990-2000), President of AIES
H.E. Dr. Anwar Azimov, Ambassador at Large, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation
Dr. Thomas Walsh, President of UPF International
Mr. Jacques Marion, Secretary General UPF Eurasia

10:30 Break

11:00 SESSION II: The European Dream and Multiethnic Russia

Dr. Walter Schwimmer, former Secretary General of the Council of Europe
Dr. Nikolai Komarov, Director of "Moscow House of Nationalities", a Member of Expert Committee of the State Duma of the Federal Assembly of the Russian Federation
Prof. Dr. Gerhard Mangott, University of Innsbruck
Dr. Yong Cheon Song, Chairman, UPF Europe

12:30 Lunch break

14:30 SESSION III: Towards a Culture of Peace - Europe and Russia in the 21st Century

Dr. Werner Fasslabend, Minister of Defence Austria (1990-2000)
Dr. Jan Csarnogursky, Prime Minister of Slovakia (1991–1992)
Dr. Svetlana Karepova, Vice Director of the Institute of Socio-Political Studies of the Russian Academy of Sciences
Dr. Henri Malosse, President of the EESC Employer's Group
Dr. Marcel de Haas, Senior Research Associate, Netherlands Inst. of Internat. Relations 'Clingendael'

16:00 Break

16:30 SESSION IV: Values, Visions, Identity and Cultural Plurality

Dr. Erhard Busek, Vice Chancellor of the Republic of Austria (1991-1995)
 Prof. Dr. Irina Orlova, Head, Department of Sociology and Comparative Researches, Institute of Socio-Political Researches of Russian Academy of Sciences
 Mr. Christian Rathner, Austrian National TV, Religion department

Dr. Sergey Kuchinsky, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Council of the Assembly of the Peoples of Russia

Dr. Willem Van Eekelen, former WEU Secretary General and Defence Minister of the Netherlands

18:00 Dinner for international hotel guests

Saturday 13th October - NH Danube City

09:30 SESSION V: Women in Leadership Roles in the 21st Century

Mrs. Carolyn Handschin-Moser - President WFWP Europe Dr. Zhannat Kosmukhamedova, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime Mrs. Magdalena Vasaryova, Member of the National Council of the Slovak Republic, State Secretary of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Slovakia 2005-2006. **Dr. Lyudmila Fomicheva**, President of the St. Petersburg Union of Journalists, President of the Council of the North-West Branch of the Russian Association of Public Relations **Dr. Anna Gudyma**, research associate of the Russian Academy of Sciences

11:00 Coffee Break

11:30 SESSION VI: The Future of Europe and Russia - a Youth Perspective

Mr. Bogdan Pammer, Youth Director UPF Europe
Ms. Claire Laurent, ACUNS Vienna
Ms. Evgeniya Beginina, the Head of Analytical Department of Youth Commonwealth Institution at Moscow City Government
Ms. Nargiz Ismailova, Moscow Academy of Economics and Law
Dr. Philipp Depisch, President of the Middleeuropean Initiative

13:00 Lunch in the hotel for all conference guests

14:30 SESSION VII: Education for Global Citizenship and Sustainable Peace

Dr. Walther Lichem, Former Head of Dept. for International Organizations, Austrian Foreign Ministry
Dr. E. Krasinets, Head of the Laboratory for Migration Studies of the Institute of Social and Economic Studies of Population of the Russian Academy of Sciences
Mr. Sergey Suprunyuk, President of the International Super-Marathon Association
Mr. Timothy Miller, Vice-Chair UPF Europe

Comments and questions

16:00 Coffee Break

16:30 SESSION VIII: Closing Session - Updates and Overview

Ms. Carolyn Handschin-Moser - President WFWP Int. – Europe **Mr. Mark Brann**, Secretary General UPF Europe

Reflections and Ambassador for Peace Awards