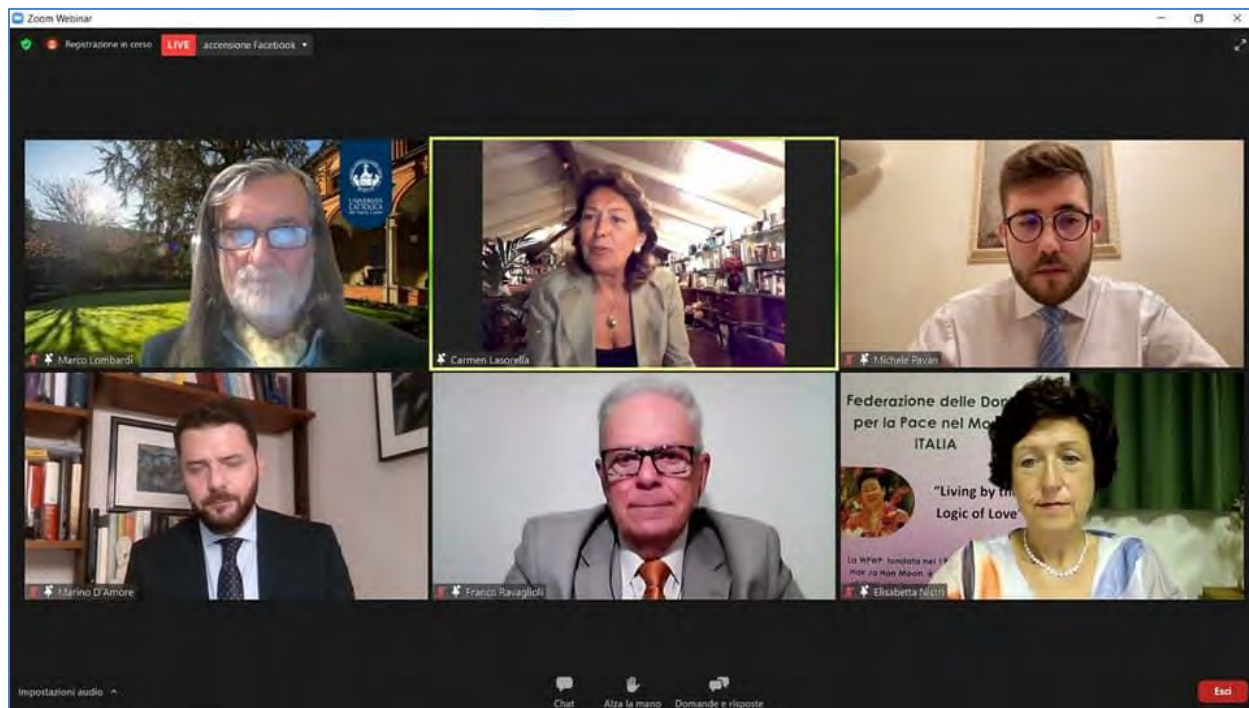


WFWP Italy: Ways of Peace to Overcome and Resolve Emerging Asian Conflicts

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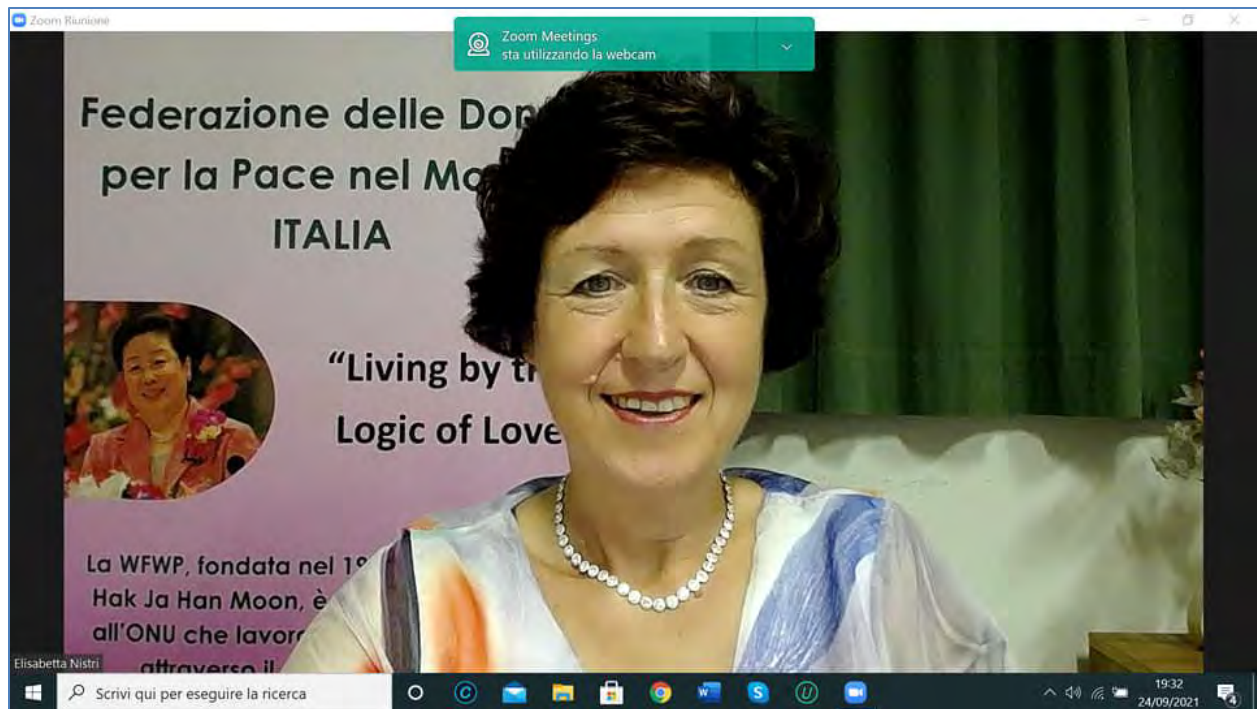


The purpose of this Zoom event was to have a round table with experts about this title and show the Universal Peace Federation (UPF) and WFWP vision and activities for the resolution of conflicts. In particular, this was to report about the initiative of WFWPI Vienna regarding the submission of a statement to the Council of Human Rights of United Nations to underline the urgent attention on the Afghanistan situation after the new Taliban Government.

Great speakers such as University teachers, a very well-known journalist and experts of geopolitics shared a deep analysis of the causes of the conflicts in those areas, from different viewpoints, but with the same vision for a pacific resolution.

Franco Ravaglioli, Secretary General of UPF, introduced also the launch of a new initiative from UPF, Think Tank 2022, which is a global multisector network, which comprises more than 2000 experts from different backgrounds.

Elisabetta Nistri, President of WFWP Italy reported about the great relevance of the statement promoted by WFWPI. In Afghanistan, there is the need to act promptly. The Italian journalists that came back from Afghanistan made the situation clear about the difficulties faced there. The most vulnerable categories are women and children. The return of the Taliban's regime made it impossible for women to work as doctors. At the same time, women and girls, according to Sharia law, can only be visited by a female doctor. The scarcity of female doctors, a trend which will be on the rise in the future, will affect the security of many women and girls that will lose access to health care. The statement of WFWP is structured in nine points. The most important are:



- The international community should keep the borders open to allow humanitarian assistance in Afghanistan
- The bordering countries to Afghanistan should cooperate with the International Community to facilitate the arrival of humanitarian assistance
- Monitoring systems should be implemented, to enforce the respect of human rights
- The international community should encourage the new government in permitting access to education
- Establishment of early warning systems to prevent the insurgence of armed violence
- Commitment to empower local women in conflict resolution, in respect of universal values of freedom and local context
- Awareness-raising campaigns and activities for the young generations toward stabilization and peace
- Including women and youth in future negotiations

Mrs. Nistri reminded everyone of the importance of investing in women as agents of a culture of peace.

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