



**EASTERN EUROPE HIGHLIGHTS**

February 2022

# Commemorating the Holy Days



Tirana, Albania



Pristina, Kosovo



Belarus



Yerevan, Armenia

**On 6 February, brothers and sisters throughout Eastern Europe celebrated True Parents' Birthday and the anniversary of Foundation Day. Members gathered in community centres or as families to honour our True Parents.**

# UPF Webinar Highlights Russia's Religious and Cultural Heritage



**UPF-Russia commemorated International Day of Human Fraternity and World Interfaith Harmony Week with a webinar titled "The Important Role of Cultural Heritage and Strengthening Interreligious Dialogue". The event on 7 February also acknowledged that 2022 is the Year of the Cultural Heritage of the Peoples of Russia. The speakers represented traditional religions of Russia and the republics of the Russian Federation. Cultural performances by folk ensembles emphasised the beauty and diversity of the peoples living in Russia. – Maria Nazarova, director, UPF-Russia**

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**Maria Nazarova, director,  
UPF Russia**



**Konstantin Krylov, secretary  
general, UPF Eastern Europe**



**Nikolay Kizimov, director,  
"Great Country" spiritual and  
moral centre**



**Muhammad Gallyamov,  
chairman, "Ikhlas" Mosque,  
Ufa, Republic of Bashkortostan**



**Rabbi Vadim Polyansky,  
traditional Jewish community,  
St. Petersburg**



**Archpriest Vladimir Fedorov,  
Orthodox Church, St. Petersburg**



**Said Abdul-Aziz-Khazrat, mufti,  
Republic of Karelia**



**Mariam Kovalyeva,  
Republic of Karelia Muslim  
Administration**



**Alfred Khazrat, imam,  
"Ikhlas" Mosque, Ufa, Republic of  
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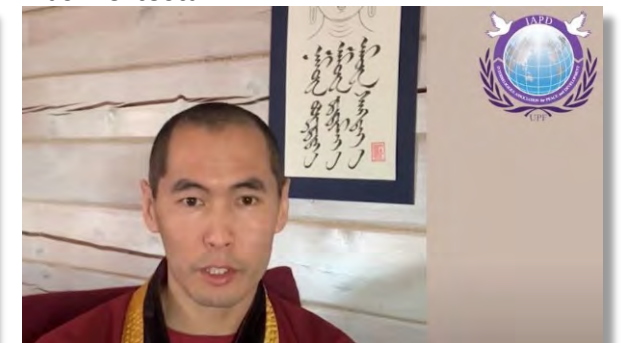
**Farhad Khazrat, mufti,  
Irkutsk Region**



**Khadzhimurat-haji, mufti, Republic of  
North Ossetia-Alana**



**Yonten-gelung, senior administrator,  
Buddhist community, Republic of  
Kalmykia**



**Llama Zorigto, Irkutsk Region**

# Eastern Europe VVIPs Participate in World Summit 2022



**President Ilir Meta, Albania**



**Prime Minister Albin Kurti, Kosovo**



**Former Pres. Ivanic of B&H**



**Former President Filip Vujanovic, Montenegro**



**Dr Alexander Vorontsov, Russia**

Five VVIPs from Eastern Europe participated in the World Summit 2022: the current presidents of Albania and Kosovo, the former presidents of Montenegro and Bosnia & Herzegovina, and a highly respected scholar from the Russian Academy of Sciences. Due to COVID restrictions, none could travel to Korea, but submitted presentations or congratulatory messages.

# Statistics of Russian-Language Social Media During World Summit

		eurasia.upf.org Site	Facebook	OK.RU	VK.Com	YouTube	Emailing	Zoom	Views per Event
Campaign	Press Release	29076	308964	633	47576	922	6211	751	394133
Session 1-3	Opening	38	856	14485		189			15568
Session 4	IMAP	52				1915			1967
Session 5	Europe Session	38	961	26681	54937	71			82688
Peace Center	SunHak Peace Prize	54	125404	3422401	271017	1733			3820609
Session 6	USA Session					1198			1198
Session 7	Asia Session	35	974	26015		49			27073
Session 8	Africa Session	28	903	27383		42			28356
Peace Center	ISCP-Rally	67	42483	1542446	115198	58			1700252
Campaign	Post-Release	271	11248	1648018		10	6809		1666085
Views per Network:		583	182829	6707429	441152	5265		228	
General Post Reach per network		29659	1357799	6880000	373689	6589	6809	751	

New Subscribers & Contacts	751	65	1816	116	17			2014
Comments	1	170	777	20	1			968
Likes		1380	6032	434	26			7872

## Main Results:

New Contacts:	2014
Video Total Views:	7337486
General Reach per network:	8655296

During the recent World Summit events, UPF of Russia used social media to reach out to Russian-speakers in Eastern Europe and overseas. Through those efforts, our UPF members reached literally millions of viewers.

# Russian Interfax Publishes Summit Press Release in Full

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**Глобальный саммит завершился новым призывом к миру на Корейском полуострове**



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**Global Summit Ends with New Call for Peace on the Korean Peninsula**



BUSINESS WIRE – The 2022 World Summit ended with a global summit and a proposal of practical recommendations for renewed efforts to unify the Korean Peninsula – the last split of the Cold War.

"Несмотря на ваши сложные обстоятельства из-за пандемии коронавируса, я верю, что вы, наши мировые лидеры, с вашей приверженностью и преданностью, добьетесь мира и объединения на Корейском полуострове. Спасибо", - сказала д-р **Хак Джа Хан Мун**, соучредитель Федерации за всеобщий мир (UPF) и хост **Всемирного саммита 2022**.

Саммит 11-13 февраля был проведен Федерацией за всеобщий мир и Королевским правительством Камбоджи. Сопредседателями Саммита выступили **премьер-министр Камбоджи Самдек Хун Сен** и Его Превосходительство **Пан Ги Мун**, бывший Генеральный секретарь Организации Объединенных Наций.

"Despite your difficult circumstances due to the coronavirus pandemic, I believe that you, our world leaders, with your commitment and dedication, will bring peace and unification to the Korean peninsula. Thank you," said Dr. **Hak Ja Han Moon**, co-founder Global Peace Federation (UPF) and host of the **World Summit 2022**.

The 11-13 February summit was hosted by the Global Peace Federation and the Royal Government of Cambodia. The Summit was co-chaired by **Cambodian Prime Minister Samdek Hun Sen** and His Excellency **Ban Ki-moon**, former Secretary-General of the United Nations.

**One of Russia's largest news agencies, Interfax, has published, without edits, the official EUME press release about the World Summit 2022. Approximately two million subscribers will have seen this.**

# YSP-Russia Visits Snowy, Frigid Lapland to Plan Summer Programmes



Russian Lapland, north of the Arctic Circle, was the site of a trip made by a small group of Russian members together with three non-member students. The purpose of their trip was to plan for a program in the summer of 2022 with up to 40 university students as participants.



# Albanian Leaders Meet to Form Plans for 2022



**Vision 2022 was the focus of a two-day Albanian leaders meeting held in the Cheon Il Guk Peace Embassy in Tirana. Community and department leaders, as well as leaders of providential organisations, analysed and reflected on last year's activities and set up goals and made plans for the new year. Based on the national Vision 2022, each leader announced his or her plans for the year.**

**The strong desire to do better, to do more, is always present. At the same time, it often is difficult to deal with the pressure that comes with such intensity. I felt that we, as leaders, really need to grow our hearts more and grow our love for Heavenly Parent. – Manjola Vasmatics, Albanian national leader**

# Albanian President Moisiu Visits Tirana Peace Embassy



PODGORIČKI KLUB PODGORIČKA CLUB		UNIVERSAL PEACE FEDERATION EVROPSKI I SREDIŠTOKI	
<b>TENTATIVE PROGRAM</b>			
<b>Friday, April 1</b>			
All Day Arrivals and registration			
19:00	Welcoming Dinner (Tirana International Hotel)		
<b>Saturday, April 2</b>			
10:00	FIRST SESSION: THE ECONOMIC COOPERATION AS A SUSTAINABLE PRECONDITION FOR RECONCILIATION IN THE REGION (Balkan Peace Embassy)		
Speakers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>H.E. Alfred Moisiu, President of Albania (2002 – 2007)</li><li>High Level Representative from Albanian Institutions</li><li>H.E. Filip Vujanović, President (2003 – 2018), Montenegro; President, Podgorica Club</li><li>H.E. Jadranka Kosor, Prime Minister (2009 – 2011), Croatia</li><li>H.E. Branko Crvenkovski, President (2004 – 2009), North Macedonia</li><li>H.E. Nataša Mišić, President (2002 – 2004), Serbia</li><li>H.E. Fatmir Sejdiu, President (2006 – 2010), Kosovo</li><li>H.E. Mladen Frank, President, (2015 – 2017), Federation of Bosnia &amp; Herzegovina</li><li>Hon. Majlinda Bregu, Secretary General of the Regional Cooperation Council</li><li>Dr. Katsumi Otsuka, Chairman of UPF Europe &amp; Middle East</li></ul>		
11:30	BREAK		
12:00	SECOND SESSION: OUR PATH TOWARD THE EU STRONGLY CONNECTED TO SUSTAINABLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (Balkan Peace Embassy)		
Speakers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>H.E. Rexhep Meidani, President (1997 – 2002), Albania</li><li>High Level Representative from Albanian Institutions</li><li>High Level Representative from EU Institutions</li><li>H.E. Stjepan Mesić, President (2000 – 2010), Croatia</li><li>H.E. Aljefte Jahjaga, President (2010 – 2015), Kosovo</li><li>H.E. Zvko Budimir, President (2011 – 2015), Federation of Bosnia &amp; Herzegovina</li><li>Hon. Talat Xhaferri, Speaker of the National Assembly, North Macedonia</li></ul>		
13:00	LUNCH		
15:00	THIRD SESSION: YOUTH AND THE FUTURE OF BALKANS (Balkan Peace Embassy)		
Speakers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>H.E. Alfred Moisiu, President of Albania (2002 – 2007)</li><li>Hon. Erion Veliaj, Mayor of Tirana</li><li>Dr. Michael Balcomb, President of FFWPU Europe and Middle East</li><li>Mrs. Manjola Vasmatics, President of FFWPU Albania</li><li>Mr. Bogdan Pammer, President of YSP Europe</li><li>Youth Leader from Albania</li><li>Youth Leader from Balkans</li><li>Youth Leader from Balkans</li></ul>		
<b>Sunday, April 3</b>			
10:00	PODGORICA CLUB BOARD MEETING		
OPTIONAL MEETINGS			
ALL DAY DEPARTURES			

Former Albanian President Alfred Moisiu and his wife visited the Cheon Il Guk Peace Embassy on 21 February to see the new offices and to discuss upcoming events.

The first event, on 25 February, was the promotion of the recently published book *The Families of the 21st Century and Universal Values*.

The other event, on 1 to 3 April, will be the Balkan Leadership Conference that will be held together with the Podgorica Club. The invitations already have been sent to all Podgorica Club members and to VIPs in Albania. –

*Gani Rroshi, UPF-Albania secretary general*

# Book Launch at CIG Peace Embassy



**A book written by educator and Ambassador for Peace Dr. Saemira Pino and UPF-Albania leader Gani Rroshi, *The Families of the 21st Century and Universal Values*, had its official launch on 25 February in the Cheon Il Guk Peace Embassy in Tirana. The audience of 120 participants included former Albanian President Alfred Moisiu, current and former members of Parliament, academics and Ambassadors for Peace.– Gani Rroshi, UPF-Albania secretary general**

# Young Albanian Members Prepare for Matching and Blessing



**Eighteen young members between 17 and 28 years old attended a one-day workshop in the Tirana Peace Embassy to learn about the Blessing and the internal preparations they will need before they begin the matching process. There was a very good atmosphere, and the participants were very serious in their attendance. One couple from the 2018 Blessing gave a very good testimony. – Marjeta Rroshi, director, Albanian Blessed Family Department**

# Romania CARP HDH Focuses on 'Personal Value'



Ten guests attended Romania CARP's Open *Hoon Dok Hae* Meeting on the theme "Personal Value." After an introductory talk, we divided into teams for reading and discussion. Everyone liked the reading, as it encouraged us to express the love that God has put in our hearts. The new guests reported on their team's conclusions. We were happy to talk about the importance of caring for myself first in order to give others the best of me. – *Miki Predescu, Romanian national leader*

# Activities in Moldova



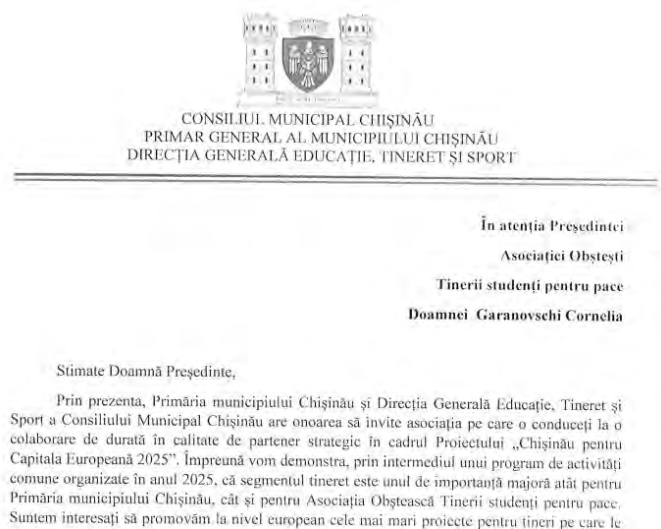
On 10 February the Family Federation team travelled to Gura Bîcului village in the Anenii Noi district to hold a meeting between Family Clubs of one village on the right side of the Dniester River and another one from the left side. Parents of severely disabled children spoke about the difficulties they face and about best experiences with personal assistants. Ten people gathered at the mayor's office, and another 11 parents joined by Zoom. It turned into a very heartistic and warm meeting. Andrei Esanu, FF president, guided the discussion. The event was fully hosted by the village mayor, Lilia Brehova, who attended throughout. That village already has hosted four Family Festivals.



On 12 February we held the monthly online Diaspora Meeting. This time Sergey Nadezhdin shared his experience of living in another country for more than 20 years.



Irina Tomuz, an elder Moldovan blessed wife living in the U.K. with her family, gave her personal testimony at our Sunday service. At the end, all those present went to pray in the CheonShim Won as part of our first 40-day condition there.



YSP Moldova was invited by the General Department of Education, Youth and Sports of Chisinau Municipality to join "a long-term collaboration as a strategic partner in the project 'Chisinau for the European Capital 2025.'" YSP sent a letter of acceptance, suggesting several of its activities and projects.

*Sabina Nadejdin, Moldovan national leader*

# In Uncertain Times, Ukraine Movement Reorganises



When it seemed that a Russian invasion was imminent, Ukrainian leaders started relocating members. Our movement in Poland graciously accepted a team of young members, who are continuing their online witnessing and outreach in the Warsaw Peace Embassy. A number of families moved to a safer part of Ukraine, close to the western border, living in very humble conditions but out of harm's way. In Kyiv, the capital, most members quickly moved into the main centre and to the national workshop site. Because of the bombing, members in the main centre are sleeping in the basement. Even in these emergency conditions, parents and children pray and bow to True Parents before going to sleep.

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**Ukrainian families finding refuge in western Ukraine near the city of Lviv**



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**Young Ukrainian members in the Warsaw Peace Embassy after relocating to Poland**



*Thank You!*