

A New Vision for Peace and Human Development - UNESCO HQ April 11-13

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One of a European Leadership Conference Series Under the Special Patronage of Dr. Boutros Boutros-Ghali, United Nations Secretary General (1992-1996)

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Organised by the Universal Peace Federation and the Women's Federation for World Peace in partnership with the Permanent Delegation of the Sultanate of Oman to UNESCO, The Permanent Delegation of the Republic of Uganda to UNESCO, The International Institute for Strategic Studies, The Forum of Organisations for International Solidarity on Migration Issues, Gaia- Grouping for Action and Initiatives for Africa, The Centre for the Study and Promotion of Culture and Communication in Africa and the Geneva Interreligious and Intercultural Alliance.

On behalf of the Universal Peace Federation (UPF) and the Women’s Federation for World Peace (WFWP), the Conference’s Special Patron and all our Partners we extend a cordial invitation to you to attend the latest in the continuing series of European Leadership Conferences, which have taken place at United Nations’ Institutions and in National Parliaments over the last twelve months. If you are interested in attending this programme please contact Robin Marsh or Margaret Ali for further information.

This conference will take place at UNESCO Headquarters on the 12th and 13th April with the valued support of the Permanent Delegations of the Sultanate of Oman and the Republic of Uganda to UNESCO. In addition to UPF and WFWP, the organisers include representatives of non-governmental organisations and civil society actors including: the International Institute for Strategic Studies, the Forum of Organisations for International Solidarity on Migration Issues, the Grouping for Action and Initiatives for Africa, the Centre for the Study and Promotion of Culture and Communication in Africa, and the Geneva Interfaith and Intercultural Alliance.

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There is a draft programme below which includes reference to confirmed and invited speakers.

We look forward to hearing from you soon and hope that you will be able to take time out of your busy schedule to join us for this very meaningful occasion. **We would also like to ask that you reserve a place in your diaries for the 15th and 16th of June for a European conference in London on ‘Human Rights and the Protection of the Un-empowered and the Dispossessed’.**

Dr. Yong Cheon Song

Carolyn Handschin-Moser

Président, FPU-Europe

President WFWPI, Europe

European Leadership Conference – Draft Programme

"A New Vision for Peace and Human Development"

12th to 13th April, 2012

UNESCO Headquarters, 128 Avenue de Suffren, Paris

Wednesday 11th April 2012

From 14:30 Arrivals and Registration for international guests in Paris (Hotel to be confirmed)

Thursday 12th April 2012

07:00 Breakfast at the Hotel

08:30 Departure for UNESCO – Bus from Hotel (others by public transport)

08:50 Security check and registration for day guests

09:30 SESSION 1: OPENING

A New Vision for Peace and Human Development

Chair: **H.E. Dr. Musa bin Jaafar bin Hassan**, Minister for Culture Delegation of Oman to UNESCO

Dr. Boutros Boutros-Ghali, United Nations Secretary General (1992-1996)

Prof. Akiko Yamanaka, Deputy Foreign Minister of Japan (2005-2006)

Prof. Ali Rastbeen, President International Institute for Strategic Studies

Dr. Yong Cheon Song, Chair UPF Europe

10:45 Coffee Break

11:15 SESSION II: FAMILY AND GOOD GOVERNANCE

Beyond Gender Equity: Strategies for Cooperation Towards a Culture of Peace

Chair : **Mrs. Carolyn Handschin-Moser**, President WFWP International, Europe

H.E. Katalin Bogyay, Ambassador Permanent Delegation of Hungary to UNESCO and President of the General Congress of UNESCO

H.E. Dr. Mary Mbiro Khimulu , Ambassador, Delegation of the Republic of Kenya to UNESCO

Minister Jesus Gary Domingo, Mission of Philippines to the United Nations in Geneva

Mrs. Lynn Walsh, United Nations NGO Committee on the Family, UPF Office of Marriage and Family

12:30 Lunch

14:30 Session III: AFRICA

Africa at the Turning Point of Peace and Development

Chair: TBC

H. E. Elizabeth Paula Napeyok, (invited) Ambassador, Republic of Uganda to France, Permanent Delegate to UNESCO

Ms. Maguite Lorcy, Founder GAIA (Group for Action and Initiatives in Africa)

Ms. Lalla Aïcha Ben Barka, UNESCO Assistant Director-General for Africa (invited)

Ms. Inger Berggren Garnacho, Founder & President Women's World Banking in Spain

15:45 Coffee Break

16:15 Session VI: UNIVERSAL PRINCIPLES AND EDUCATING FOR CHARACTER

Chair: TBC

Mr. Jack Corley, Chair Universal Peace Federation, United Kingdom

Ambassador Robert Vandemeulebroucke - Belgium

Dr. Jean-Luc Berlet – Author and Doctor of Philosophy

18:30 Dinner and Cultural Programme for International Participants

Friday 13th April 2012

07:00 Breakfast at the hotel

08:30 Depart for UNESCO – Bus from Hotel (others by public transport)

08:50 Security check and registration for day guests

09:30 Session V: YOUTH

Exploring Global Citizenship – the role of informal and value based education

Chair: TBC

H.E. Rodolphe Imhoof, Ambassador, Permanent Delegation of Swiss Confederation to UNESCO (invited)

Mr. Bogdan Pammer, Chair European Youth Committee UPF
Representative of the European Youth Forum (invited)
Representative Model Youth Inter-religious Forum (invited)

10:45 Coffee Break

11:15 SESSION IV: HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Chair: TBC

H.E. Tirja Halonen, President of Finland (2001-2012) (invited)

Imam Dr. Abduljalil Sajid JP, Chairman Task-force European year of Inter-cultural Dialogue, President Religions for Peace UK

Ambassador Dr. Walther Lichem, Former Head of Dept. for International Organisations Austrian Ministry for Foreign Affairs

12:30 Lunch

14:30 SESSION VII:

As a Peace Loving Global Citizen_- an insight into UPF's Origins and Founders

Chair: TBC

Mr. Timothy Miller, Vice-Chair UPF Europe

Dr. Boutros Boutros-Ghali, United Nations Secretary General (1992-1996)

Mr. Chansamone Voravong, President of FORIM

15:30 Break

16:00 SESSION VIII:

Vision, Projects and Recent Activities

Chair: TBC

Mrs. Carolyn Handschin-Moser, President WFPW International, Europe

Pastor Armand Mavinga, President Centre for the Promotion of Culture and Communication in Africa (CEPROCOM)

Mr. Mark Brann, Secretary General UPF Europe

17:30 Close