UPF Argentina appoints 18 new Ambassadors for Peace at an online meeting

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**Argentina** -- On July 9, 2021, 18 new Ambassadors for Peace were appointed at UPF-Argentina's monthly online meeting, streamed on the YouTube channel with over 600 views.

"In our daily life, we meet lots of people who, in many ways, contribute to a fairer world, a world of peace. The relief work of these people creates chains of solidarity. Being solidary not only makes us commit to the difficult situations people live in all over our country and the world, but also makes us happier for what we have done," claimed **Luba Opeka**, public relations officer of UPF-Argentina, who was the moderator of the meeting along with Ambassador for Peace **Mario Cáceres**.



On the occasion, the following were recognized as Ambassadors for Peace:

## Mary Acosta

Writer, poet, narrator, cultural manager in service of Education and Peace Appointment link: <u>www.youtube.com/watch?v=vG0rUIVQWO4</u>

#### Gerardo Alcaraz and Norma Banegas

Civil Association Bomberos Voluntarios (Volunteer Firefighters) Los Ralos - Tucumán Appointment link: <u>www.youtube.com/watch?v=k0aY0qn3FnY</u>

Sebastián Armenault Long-distance runner Appointment link: www.youtube,com/watch?v=KllCSqvCXfE

#### Esteban Beltramino

Coordinator of the Youth and Students for Peace (YSP) Department - Argentina Appointment link: <u>www.youtube.com/watch?v=rhXmtKrt3Qo</u>



## Marwan Gill and Adila Ahmad

Spiritual leaders of the Ahmadia Community in Argentina Appointment link: <u>www,youtube,com/watch?v=6Y\_pDgeDtVw</u>

#### Julio González

Sponsor/founder of the Civil Association Soñadores Unidos (United Visionists) Appointment link: <u>www,youtube,com/watch?v=C7QH3dYBo4s</u>

## Edgardo Murúa - Inés García

Governor of District 4895 of Rotary International, from 2020-2021 - Management Board of the Rotary Action Group for Menstrual Health and Hygiene Appointment link: <u>www.youtube.com/watch?v=FxvHVvZxyks</u>

Silvia Perazzo

President of the Association for the United Nations of Argentina - ANU-AR Appointment link: <u>www,youtube,com/watch?v=XKYw\_Z1ucfM</u>

Susana Repetto

Payadora (tango dancer) and improvisational poet Appointment link: <u>www.youtube.com/watch?v=90dnnk49IxA</u>

Silvia Sierra

Visual artist and pacifist writer Appointment link: <u>www.youtube.com/watch?v=P-w8VT28k9s</u>

## Arieh Sztokman - Amanda Arimayn

Spiritual assistance "Hogar Hirsch" / Secretary of the Association "Verdadera Vida en Dios" - Argentina Appointment link: <u>www.youtube.com/watch?v=tBCyQSRwJoc</u>

# Carlos Tryskier / Miriam Alberganti

Social Payasólogos (entertainers) Latin America Appointment link: <u>www.youtube.com/watch?v=198r4rGw8Jk</u>

## Marisa Valdebenito

President of the Foundation "Sendero de Esperanza para el Niño Oncológico" (SENO) - Neuquén Appointment link: <u>www.youtube.com/watch?v=8CPf-7MsGM4</u>

The opening words were given by Sung Jong Seo, director of the Southern Cone Sub-Region, UPF-South

America (Paraguay, Uruguay, Chile and Argentina) and **Carlos Varga**, director of UPF-Argentina, who described UPF's second principle of Peace: "*Human nature is essentially spiritual and eternal*." A video was shown about the Sunhak Peace Prize, which seeks to identify and support personalities and entities for their substantial contributions to humanity and the world, under the premise "*Making the World Better for Future Generations*." Contributions are related to resolving suffering, conflict, poverty and environmental threats, promoting a vision of integral peace, and oriented to the future through leadership of values and good practices (1).



The representative of Academicians for Peace (IAAP) and member of UPF-Argentina's Peace Council, **Julio Nardini**, gave welcoming remarks to the new Ambassadors for Peace. This global initiative of UPF, which began over 20 years ago, seeks to empower a leadership of values and good practices, promoting greater participation and commitment to the different areas and sectors for Peace, in view of the great crisis that affects humanity and the world (2).

There were musical performances before the appointments and at the end: "*Hoy va a ser un gran día*," performed by **Diego Desanzo**; and "*La hora de la verdad*," sung by **Aylin Rodríguez** and **Delfina Rodríguez**, written and composed by **Carlos Varga**. At the end, in a video message **Simón Ferabolli**, secretary general of UPF-South America (3), invited everyone to join the "Leadership and Cooperation" 2021 Series, a monthly program organized by the different leadership areas of UPF and Youth and Students for Peace (YSP) in Argentina, which has as its goal "The *formation and training of leadership for participation and commitment*." **Miguel Werner**, president of UPF-Argentina, concluded with words of appreciation and a toast to a bright future.

## **Quotes:**

1) Video on the Sunhak Peace Prize: Recognition instituted by UPF Founders, for contributing to a global community of interdependence, mutual prosperity and universally shared values. www.youtube.com/watch?v=dkYsO0SZyzs

Until July, candidates can be nominated for the Sunhak Peace Prize, called the "*Nobel Peace Prize in the Pacific Era*," which grants one million dollars to the winners, whose lives and work illustrate a benefit to humanity and the world. More details can be found on its website, where you can also download the nomination form: <u>sunhakpeaceprize,org/</u>

2) More information on the Ambassadors for Peace global initiative: <a href="https://www.upf.org/who-we-are/ambassadors-for-peace">www.upf.org/who-we-are/ambassadors-for-peace</a>

3) Invitation to the "Leadership and Cooperation" 2021 Series, by Simón Ferabolli, secretary general of UPF-South America: <u>www.youtube.com/watch?v=FZwgPja7HN0</u>