

UPF Prague, Czech Republic: European Values in the Time of COVID-19

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Prague, Czech Republic -- "European Values in the Time of the COVID-19 Pandemic" was the topic of a UPF "Peace Talk."

Organized jointly by UPF of the Czech Republic and UPF of Central Europe, the June 15, 2020, online discussion attracted more than 150 registered guests from 20 nations in Europe, Africa, South America and North America.

Dr. Juraj Lajda, president of the Czech chapter of UPF, served as the panel moderator. In introducing the event, he explained its main topics: European values; religious freedom and freedom of the press; and family values. He said that for each of the topics there would be two panelists.



Speakers

H.E. Mirek Topolánek, prime minister of the Czech Republic (2006-2009) and president of the European Council (2009)

Hon. Nina Nováková, member of the Czech Parliament (2013-2017) and chair of the NGO Central European Inspiration

Hon. Ján Figel' (Slovakia), special envoy for promotion of freedom of religion outside the European Union (2016-2019)

Peter Zoehrer (Austria), coordinator, International Media Association for Peace (IMAP) for Europe and the Middle East

Edit Frivaldszky (Hungary), director of Human Dignity Center

Dr. Dieter Schmidt (Germany), president of UPF for Central Europe



The presentations were followed by a question-and-answer session moderated by Chantal Komagata, Central Europe UPF coordinator and secretary general of UPF-Switzerland.

In conclusion, Dr. Lajda thanked the speakers and all the participants for the productive webinar.

