

International Symposium on Cultural Diplomacy in the Commonwealth 2015

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"The 70th Anniversary of the Establishment of the UN: Developing Initiatives to Promote Cultural Understanding, Global Human Rights and World Peace within the Commonwealth"

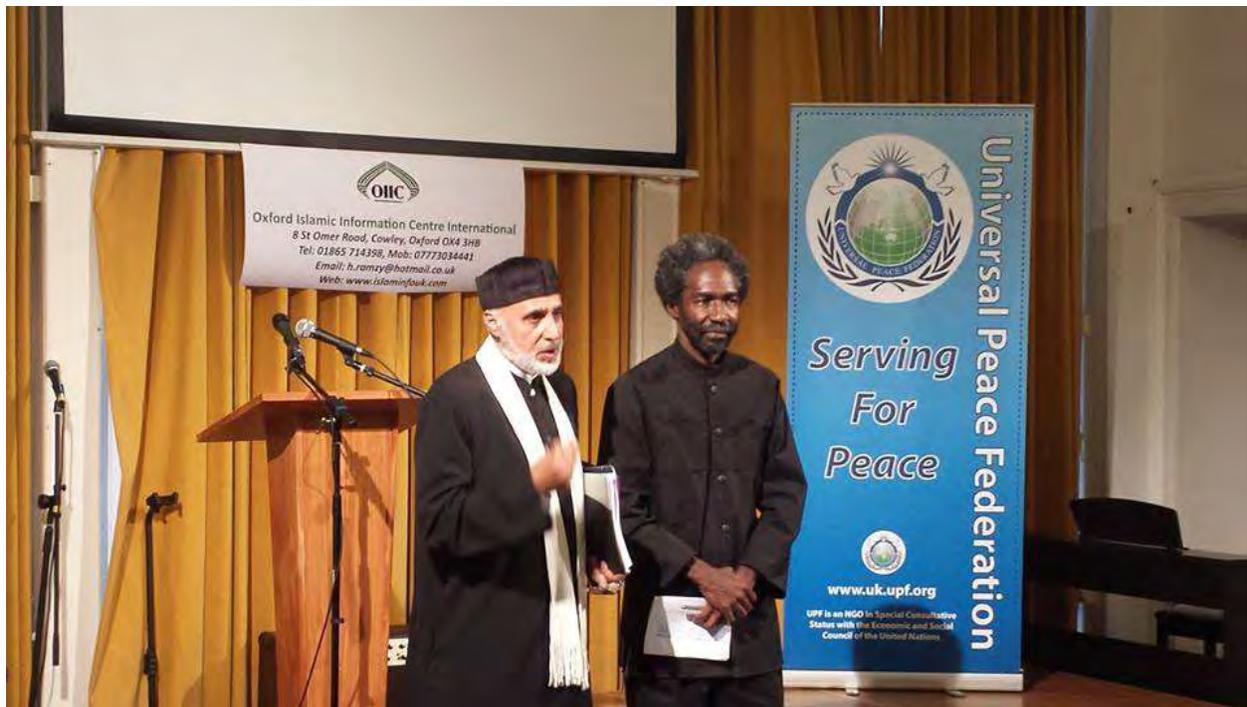
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UN 70 Anniversary



12:30	Welcome Addresses Mark Donfried (Director General, Institute for Cultural Diplomacy) Robin Marsh (Secretary General, Universal Peace Federation) Dr. Sheikh Ramzy (Director, Oxford Islamic Information Centre)
13:00	Keynote Speech Sir James Mancham (Founding President, Seychelles; Member ICD Advisory Board)
13.30	"Religious Offence and Freedom of Speech" Universal Peace Federation Panel: Professor Shafique Chaudhry MBE, Former Mayor of High Wycombe Dr. Sheikh Ramzy, UK - UPF Director Keith Best: UK - UPF Director, World Federalist Movement Robin Marsh Secretary General, UK - UPF
14:30	"Knowing 'What Works' and How it Works - Why Research and Evaluation is Crucial for the Future of Cultural Diplomacy" <i>(Keynote Address)</i> Deborah Bull (Director, Culture at King's College, London)
14:45	"The Role of Cultural Diplomacy in Global Good Governance" <i>(Keynote Address)</i> MP Stephen Gethins (Member of the British Parliament)

15:30	<p>“The Isle is Full of Noises” <i>(Keynote Address)</i> Tony Haynes (Co-Founder & Artistic Director, Grand Union Orchestra)</p>
16:00	<p>“History, Identity and Sense of Belonging” <i>(Keynote Address)</i> Gosia McKane (Director, Merseyside Polonia)</p>
17:00	<p>“Arts & Business, Business and Arts” <i>(Keynote Address)</i> Sarah Meltzer (Artists’ Promoter)</p>



Thursday, July 23rd, 2015
VENUE: House of Lords, Committee Room 4A

9:30 Keynote Address
Lord Jack McConnell
 (Member of the House of Lords; Former First Minister of Scotland)

10:30 “The Use of Soft Power to Enhance Global Relations”
(Keynote Address)
The Rt. Hon. Lord Swraj Paul
 (Member of the House of Lords)

11:00 “The Spirit of a Global Community.”
(Keynote Address)
Lord Frank Judd
 (Member of the British Parliament)

11:30 Keynote Address
MP Jim Fitzpatrick
 (Member of the British Parliament)

12:00 “Culture the Lowest Common Denominator and Highest Value of Humanity: Reflections on Walks through Fourteen Countries”
Rt Hon Lord Michael Bates
 (Member of the House of Lords; Former Minister of State, Home Office, United Kingdom)

12:30 “800 Years after the Magna Carta-Developing a Common Human Rights Culture across the Commonwealth”
Sir Simon Hughes
 (Former Member of the British Parliament; Former Minister of State for Justice and Civil Liberties of the United Kingdom; Former Deputy Leader of the Liberal Democrats)

13:00 “*Gallipoli: Road to Peace out of ‘Gentlemen’s War’*”

H. E. Amb. Abdurrahman Bilgiç

(Ambassador of Turkey to the United Kingdom)

13:30 *Break*

VENUE: *The British Parliament, Grimond Room, Portcullis House*

14:00 “*Cultural Diplomacy in the Face of an EU Referendum*”

MP Bill Wiggin (Member of the British Parliament)

14:20 “*Soft Power, a Personal perspective*”

Baroness Judith Jolly (Member of the House of Lords)

15:00 “*The Role of Diaspora Communities in the Commonwealth*”

Keith Vaz MP

15:30 “*The Price of Bridge Building in a Multi-Cultural World*”

Rt. Hon. Lord Robin Eames

(Former Anglican Primate of All Ireland and Archbishop of Armagh)



VENUE: *High Commission of the Republic of Mozambique, Fitzroy St, London W1T 6EL,*

17:00 *Keynote Address*

H. E. Amb. Carlos dos Santos

(High Commissioner of the Republic of Mozambique)

17:30 “*Culture and Diplomacy*”

Sian Hansen

(Executive Director, Legatum Institute)

Friday, July 24th, 2015

VENUE: *Universal Peace Federation, Lancaster Room (Ballroom), 43 Lancaster Gate, London, W2 3NA*

9:30 *Keynote Address*

Natalie Louise Bennett

(Leader of the Green Party of England and Wales)

10:00 “*Space, Place, Identity -- Notes from a Novelist on Anti-Human Architecture*”

(Keynote Address)

Jayne Joso

British Novelist, Playwright, Writer, Artist

11:00 **Keynote Address**

H.E. Amb. Diego Gómez Pickering

Ambassador of Mexico to the United Kingdom

12:30 **“World Music: Cultural Ringers and the Rest of Us”**

Keynote Address

Prof. Dr. Keith Howard

(Professor of Music, SOAS, University of London)

13:00 **“Sustainable Growth and Inclusion: Commonwealth of Nations”**

(Keynote Address)

Dr. Ruth Kattumuri

(Co-Director of India Observatory and Asia Research Center)

13:30 Participant Paper

14:00 **Concluding Remarks**

Sir James Mancham

(Founding President, Seychelles; Member ICD Advisory Board)

Dr. Yehoeshahfaht Ben Israel

(Director, Experience Africa Program, Institute for Cultural Diplomacy)

Robin Marsh

(Secretary General, Universal Peace Foundation)

Dr. Sheikh Ramzy

(Director, Oxford Islamic Information Center)

