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Prevention of Radicalisation

'Prevention of Radicalisation' has been a recurrent theme of Universal Peace Federation UK programmes in recent years. Dr Emmanuel Dupuy offered a french perspective and included some of the recommendations of the French Senate Delegation report on 'Local Authorities and the Prevention of Radicalisation' (April, 2017). Humphrey Hawksley, Keith Best, Sheikh Dr Hojjat Ramzy and Dr Afzal Ashraf raised a range of perspectives and provoked contributions from the audience. [Read more](#)

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International Women's Day 2017

We were very sad that people lost their lives or were seriously injured yesterday, particularly the unarmed Police Officer who was killed at an entrance to Parliament. Those hurt were from many nations. The incident happened just before 3 pm. We were to have the Universal Peace Federation (UPF) International Women's Day (IWD) event at 5.30 in



World Environment Day 2017

World Environment Day 2017, organised by Universal Peace Federation UK, featured speakers on different topics from renewable energy and GM foods to 'connecting with nature'. The official theme for the day 'connecting with nature' was raised by speakers and the audience who shared their own profound experiences. [Read more](#)



Connecting With Nature: World Environment Day 2017 Theme. UPF Co-Founders Emphasise Sustainable Policies for the Care of the Planet ([Read More](#))



Young Achievers Award 2017

The Young Achievers Award 2017: Celebrating Future Leaders ceremony was an outstanding occasion to hear a wide range of inspiring testimonies from young adults from overcoming being a refugee to caring for disabled or homeless. Hosted by Rt Hon Tom Brake MP, a number of parliamentarians warmly congratulated their constituents while presenting their

Parliament. We changed our event to Lancaster Gate and contacted as many people as possible. [Read more](#)



Universal Peace Federation holds regular weekend seminars in the beautiful Cleeve House, nestled in the Wiltshire countryside, to reflect on building peace. ([Photo Link](#)) This was held together with the Women's Federation for World Peace in Birmingham. ([Read More](#))



The next Weekend Seminar will be from October 27th to 29th. ([Read More](#))



Ruth Barnett, Genocide - Before and After

Why am I interested in Genocide? As a child who escaped the Holocaust by coming to England at age four on the Kindertransport, I live with 1.5 million children murdered by the Nazis because they were not rescued. One of those 1.5 million children might have made much better use of the chance of rescue than I ever can. So I do what I can to raise awareness of the truth about genocide. [Read more](#)



Evening With Farrukh Dhondy and Matteo Bergamini

Farrukh Dhondy & Matteo Bergamini were interviewed in the 'Evening With' series. Gul Khan of the All Ladies League, London interviewed

awards. [Read more](#)



Africa Day 2017

Africa Day 2017 was a colourful and inspiring programme of speakers, music and African foods. Held at UK - UPF HQ on Saturday, May 20th, speakers from across the continent came to celebrate Africa Day, including Tony Tokunbo Fernandez ([Video Link](#)), Henri-Pierre Koubaka - photo above ([Video Link](#)), Charlotte Simon, ([Video Link](#)), Ibrahim K. Asante, ([Video Link](#)), Simba Chioto: ([Video Link](#)), Tania Songini and Aliu Bello: ([Video Link](#)), Dr Yehoeshahfaht Ben Israel and Live Israelah P. Chambo ([Video Link](#)). [Read more](#)



UK - UPF Board of Directors Meeting:

Universal Peace Federation UK held a Board of Directors meeting at 43 Lancaster Gate, London.

Areas of Focus for UK - UPF are:

- Interface of Politics and Religion
- Marriage and Family
- Women's Empowerment
- Youth Empowerment
- Sustainable Development Goals

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Farrukh Dhondy, former Commissioning Editor of Channel 4 and Matteo Bergamini, Shout Out UK founder, was interviewed by Quince Garcia of Roadworks Media. While mostly considering political literacy and documentary filmmaking, Matteo Bergamini explained how they were able to film a documentary about the largely underground movement 'Annonymous'. The event was a partnership between All Ladies League and the Universal Peace Federation. [Read more](#)



Genocides - The Before and After

On April 20th Universal Peace Federation (UPF) UK held an annual genocide awareness event including many groups who have suffered this tragedy. The event highlighted the typical stages of genocide to improve the chance for pre-emptive measures. (Photo: Kamron Nawroz, survivor of the chemical attack in Halabja.) [Read more](#)

