

## UPF International Newsletter: The Work of Faith-Based Organizations at the UN

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### UPCOMING UPF PROGRAM



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**The Work of Faith-Based Organizations at the United Nations:**  
*A Conversation with Ryan Koch of LDS Charities*

**May 25, 2022 • Wednesday • 11:00 AM EST (New York)**



Ryan Koch serves as the representative of Latter Day Saints Charities at the United Nations, in both New York and Geneva. He serves as Director of International and Public Affairs for LDS Charities, the humanitarian unit of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. Mr. Koch has worked in the UN context for more than a decade. Mr. Koch also serves as Chair of the NGO Committee on the Family. The discussion with Mr. Koch will provide an opportunity to learn more, not only about the work of LDS Charities as an NGO in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations, but also about the way in which many NGOs and, particularly, faith-based NGOs function in the UN context.

Why do religious NGOs work at the UN? What are their goals and objectives? Their priorities? Are they having impact?



**Moderator:** Dr. Thomas Walsh, *Chairman, Universal Peace Federation International*

**Panelists:** Dr. Thomas Ward, *President, Unification Theological Seminary*  
Ms. Marlies Ladstätter, *President, International Association of Youth and Students for Peace (IAYSP)-Austria*  
Ms. Mi Young Eaton, *Secretary General, Research Institute for the Integration of World Thought*

**Register here for this webinar:**

[https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_1v3u72BRT5m2eqbfcDtMqA](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_1v3u72BRT5m2eqbfcDtMqA)

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## UTS-UPF Webinar Registration Link

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### Upcoming Events

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[MAY 26: UPF-EUME: Middle East Peace Initiative Forum](#)

[MAY 31: UPF-UK: The Importance of Family for Us & Society](#)

[JUN 1: UN Global Day of Parents](#)

[JUN 7: WFWP-“DMZ Peace Park: Creating Bridges for a Unified Korea](#)

[JUN 11: UPF-EUME: Conference organized in Kosovo in conjunction with the government of Kosovo](#)

[JUL 24: National Parents' Day](#)

[JUL 27: UPF-EUME: Peace Road in Berlin](#)

