2016 International Day of Peace was celebrated by UPF Volgograd, Russia

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Since 2013, the International Day of Peace celebration in this southern Russia city has been held in combination with the project of UPF International known as "Play Football for Peace."

The first such soccer championship related to the International Day of Peace was held in Volgograd on September 21, 2011. Every year since then, the stadium of School #71 has welcomed teams from all parts of the city.

These events are focused on young people aged 16 and older. The competitions encourage them to continue sports and exercise as they become adults.

This year's championship was attended by 10 teams. The winning team was "Fortune" from the "Forum" municipal center (Alexander Naumov, coach). In second place was the "Quarter" team (S. Kuramshin, coach), and in third place was "Petrel" (E. Kotljarova AT, coach). The best players were Shirhan Hamzayev, Rovshan Ilyas Sharipov, Vyacheslav Kosov, Arthur Belyakov, Andrei Kim, Vadim Melnikov, Denis Zatsenko, and Dmitry Gribanov. The winners and participants were awarded with cups, medals, diplomas and prizes.

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