GOALS OF THE ASSEMBLY

The Assembly will advance the following goals:

A. Examine, in depth, the theme and sub-themes of the World Assembly.

B. Review the activities of Religions for Peace since the previous World Assembly, including the activities of affiliated Regional and National Interreligious Councils and bodies, as well as those of the International Secretariat.

C. Make decisions regarding the long-range plans and policies of Religions for Peace.

D. Elect Honorary Presidents, Presidents, Treasurer, and Secretary General.

E. Build stronger bridges of partnership between the world’s religious communities, governments, and intergovernmental bodies.

F. Provide a principled opportunity for major religious organizations to meet and build alliances and for major partnership initiatives to be formed.

G. Strengthen multi-religious cooperation for peace among religious leaders by equipping national and regional inter-religious councils, women of faith networks, and religious youth networks for common action, including the development of partnerships.

H. Support multi-religious cooperation in countries burdened by violence and conflict.

I. Open a “door” through which larger numbers of the followers of the world’s religions – the majority of humanity – can be welcomed into principled and practical multi-religious cooperation.

J. Engage the world’s media to advance the power of multi-religious cooperation.
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**Special Sessions**: 10:10-12:30 Special Session on Child Survival
10:20-10:45 Special Session with UNHCR
11:00-12:30 Commission Mtg. II (4 simultaneous sessions)
11:00-12:30 Regional Caucuses International Trustee Meeting
12:10-12:30 Special Session on Child Survival
12:40-13:50 Religious Caucuses over Lunch
12:40-13:50 Lunch
15:10-15:30 Special Session with UN Women

**Meals**:
12:40-13:50 Lunch
18:30-19:30 Dinner
19:30-21:00 Dinner
21:00-22:00 Steering, Declaration and Nominating Committees (Closed)
9TH WORLD ASSEMBLY PLENARY SESSIONS

The Plenary Sessions of the Assembly are designed to address the major themes of the Assembly in a way that provokes, inspires and energizes the delegates. They will focus on the core mission of Religions for Peace and seek to identify the critical ways that inter-religious cooperation can advance the response of religious communities to these issues.

The first plenary will present the theme of the Assembly. Then three plenary sessions will address the core elements of the Religions for Peace mission – transforming conflict, promoting just and harmonious societies, advancing human development, and protecting the earth – through panels of high level leaders from religion, government, international organizations, and civil society. The fifth and final plenary will focus on commitments for action – receiving reports from the Assembly Commissions, parallel meetings and adopting the Declaration – giving the Religions for Peace movement direction and energy for the coming five years.

PLENARY I  Welcoming the Other
Nov. 20th 14:00-15:30 (Park Congress I-III)

PLENARY II  Welcoming the Other through Conflict Transformation and Peace-building
Nov. 20th 17:30-19:00 (Park Congress I-III)
   a. Disarmament
   b. Conflict Prevention
   c. Conflict resolution
   d. Reconciliation

PLENARY III  Welcoming the Other through Just and Harmonious Societies
Nov. 21st 9:00-10:20 (Park Congress I-III)
   a. Religious freedom, protection of minorities
   b. Migration, integration and social cohesion
   c. Democracy, good governance
   d. Overcoming violence

PLENARY IV  Welcoming the Other through Human Development that Respects the Earth
Nov. 21st 14:00-15:10 (Park Congress I-III)
   a. Millennium Development Goals
   b. Legal empowerment of the poor
   c. Health
   d. Water and sanitation
   e. Equipping religious and multi-religious communities for advocacy and action
   f. Community-based conservation
**OPENING SESSION**

**NOV. 20TH 10:30-12:10**
**(PARK CONGRESS I-III)**

**Moderator:** The Very Rev. Leonid Kishkovsky, Moderator, RfP

**Children and multi-religious pledge**

**Welcome Remarks:**
› Senior Religious Leaders from the Republic of Austria

**Message:**
› H.E. Mr. Ban Ki-moon, Secretary-General, United Nations

**Remarks:**
› H.E. Mr. Faisal bin Abdulrahman bin Muaammar, Secretary General, King Abdullah Bin Abdulaziz International Centre for Interreligious and Intercultural Dialogue (KAICIID)
› H.E. Mr. Nassir Abdulaziz Al-Nasser, United Nations High Representative, Alliance of Civilizations
› Honorable Ela Gandhi, Founder, Gandhi Development Trust; Honorary President, RfP
› Dr. William F. Vendley, Secretary General, RfP

**SPECIAL SESSION ON CHILD SURVIVAL AND PROTECTION**

**NOV. 20TH 12:10-12:30**
**(PARK CONGRESS I-III)**

› Ms. Liza Barrie, Representative of Mr. Anthony Lake, Executive Director, UNICEF
› Ms. Katherine Taylor, Representative of Dr. Rajiv Shah, Administrator, United States Agency for International Development (USAID)
› Dr. William F. Vendley, Secretary General, RfP
PLENARY I:
WELCOMING THE OTHER

NOV. 20\textsuperscript{TH} 14:00-15:30
(PARK CONGRESS I-III)

Moderator: The Very Rev. Leonid Kishkovsky, Moderator, RfP

Panel:
\begin{itemize}
\item Sheikh Abdallah ibn Bayyah, President, Global Center for Renewal and Guidance, Mauritania/Saudi Arabia
\item Rev. Nichiko Niwano, President, Rissho Kosei-kai; Co-President, RfP
\item Chief Rabbi David Rosen, International Director of Interreligious Affairs, American Jewish Committee; Co-President, RfP
\item Emmaus Maria Voce, President, Focolare Movement; Co-President, RfP
\item Representative of KAICIID
\end{itemize}

PLENARY II:
WELCOMING THE OTHER THROUGH CONFLICT PREVENTION AND TRANSFORMATION

NOV. 20\textsuperscript{TH} 17:30-19:00
(PARK CONGRESS I-III)

Moderator: Ms. Stellamaris Ndinda Mulaeh, Coordinator, Religions for Peace Global Interfaith Youth Network, Kenya

Overview:
\begin{itemize}
\item Bishop Gunnar Stålsett, Bishop Emeritus of Oslo; Member, Nobel Peace Prize Committee, Norway
\item Prof. Dr. Din Syamsuddin, President, Muhammadiyah; Moderator, Asian Conference of Religions for Peace, Indonesia
\end{itemize}

Presentations:
\begin{itemize}
\item Ven. Dr. Bellanwila Wimalaratana Thero, President, Sri Lanka Council of Religions for Peace; Chancellor, University of Sri Jayawardhanapura, Sri Lanka
\item Mme. Cissé Hadja Mariama Sow, President, Muslim Women of Guinea; Executive Committee Member, African Women’s Coordinating Committee, Guinea
\item Mr. Steve Killelea, Founder and Executive Chairman, Institute for Economics and Peace; International Trustee, RfP, Australia
\end{itemize}

Launch of the Religions for Peace Resource Guide on Nuclear Disarmament:
\begin{itemize}
\item Ven. Gijun Sugitani, Chair, RfP International Standing Commission on Disarmament and Security & Mr. Alyn Ware, Global Coordinator, Parliamentarians for Nuclear Nonproliferation and Disarmament; Member, RfP International Standing Commission on Disarmament and Security, New Zealand
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PLENARY III: WELCOMING THE OTHER THROUGH CITIZENSHIP FOR JUST AND HARMONIOUS SOCIETIES

NOV. 21ST 9:00-10:20
(PARK CONGRESS I-III)

Moderator: Dr. Lillian Sison, Director of International Relations, University of Santo Tomas; Chair, RfP Asia and the Pacific Women of Faith Network, Philippines

Overview:
› Rev. Dr. Olav Fykse Tveit, General Secretary, World Council of Churches

Presentations:
› H.E. Metropolitan Mar Gregorios Yohanna Ibrahim, Syrian Orthodox Archbishop of Aleppo; Honorary President, RfP, Syria
› Al Haj U Aye Lwin, Chief Convener, Islamic Centre of Myanmar; Executive Committee Member, Religions for Peace Myanmar
› Sheikh Majid Ismail al-Hafeed, Representative, Ulama Kurdish Union; Resident Imam, Grand Mosque of Sulaimaniya, Iraq
› Rev. Elga Joan Sarapung, Director, Institute for Interfaith Dialogue, Indonesia

SPECIAL SESSION ON WELCOMING THE STRANGER, REFUGEES AND INTERNALLY DISPLACED

NOV. 21ST 10:20–10:45
(PARK CONGRESS I-III)

› Dr. Volker Türk, Director of International Protection, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
› Dr. William F. Vendley, Secretary General, RfP
› Senior Religious Leaders
PLENARY IV:
WELCOMING THE OTHER THROUGH HUMAN DEVELOPMENT THAT RESPECTS THE EARTH

NOV. 21ST 14:00-15:10
(PARK CONGRESS I-III)

Moderator: Priestess Beatriz Schulthess, President, Indigenous Peoples Ancestral Spiritual Council, Costa Rica

Overview:
› H. E. Raymundo Cardinal Damasceno Assis, Archbishop of Aparecida, Sao Paulo; Moderator, Latin American and Caribbean Council of Religious Leaders-RfP, Brazil
› Bhai Sahib Bhai Mohinder Singh Ahluwalia, Chairman, Guru Nanak Nishkam Sewak Jatha; International Trustee, RfP

Presentations:
› Venerable Xue Cheng, Secretary General, Executive Vice President, China Buddhist Association, China
› Mrs. Christina Lee Brown, Co-Founder and President Emeritus, Cathedral Heritage Foundation; International Trustee, RfP
› Dr. Vinu Aram, Director, Shanti Ashram, India, Vice Moderator, RfP
› Dr. Katherine Marshall, Senior Fellow, Georgetown University Berkley Center for Religion, Peace, and World Affairs, USA

NOV. 21ST 15:10-15:30
(PARK CONGRESS I-III)

› H.E. Ms. Lakshmi Puri, Assistant Secretary-General, United Nations Women
› Ven. Dr. Chung Ohun Lee, Supreme Council, Won Buddhism, South Korea; Co-President, RfP
› Representatives of the RfP Global Women of Faith Network
SPECIAL SESSION ON RESPONSIBILITY TO PROTECT

NOV. 22ND 10:20-10:45
(PARK CONGRESS I-III)

› Mr. Adama Dieng, Under Secretary General/Special Adviser of the UN Secretary-General on the Prevention of Genocide and Responsibility to Protect

CLOSING SESSION:
MOBILIZING ACTION FOR HUMAN DIGNITY, CITIZENSHIP AND SHARED WELL-BEING

NOV. 22ND 14:00-15:30
(PARK CONGRESS I-III)

Moderator: Dr. William. F. Vendley, Secretary General, Religions for Peace

Reports from Assembly Commissions

Public Reading of the Assembly Declaration

Conclusion and the Path Forward:
› H. E. Sheikh Shaban Mubajje, Grand Mufti, Uganda Muslim Supreme Council; Co-Moderator, African Council of Religious Leaders-RfP
› His All Holiness Bartholomew I, Archbishop of Constantinople, New Rome and Ecumenical Patriarch
› Dharma Master Most Venerable Sitagu Sayadaw, Myanmar
9TH WORLD ASSEMBLY COMMISSIONS

The following four Assembly Commissions will be held simultaneously:

COMMISSION 1  Welcoming the Other through Conflict Prevention and Transformation
(Klimt 1)
   a. Disarmament
   b. Conflict prevention
   c. Conflict resolution
   d. Reconciliation

COMMISSION 2  Welcoming the Other through Just and Harmonious Societies
(Klimt 2)
   a. Good governance and citizenship
   b. Religious freedom and protection of minorities
   c. Migration, integration and social cohesion
   d. Transforming violence

COMMISSION 3  Welcoming the Other through Human Development that Respects the Earth
(Strauss & Brahms)
   a. Millennium Development Goals
   b. Legal empowerment of the poor
   c. Health
   d. Climate change

COMMISSION 4  Welcoming the Other through Religious and Multi-religious Education
(Mahler & Bruckner)
Each of the four Assembly Commissions will consist of three sessions with the following schedule, format, objectives and expected outputs:

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The first session of each of the four Commissions will delve into shared understanding of problematic and related needed roles to address the challenge. The second session will discern the religious assets and the added values of multi-religious collaboration to address the needed roles and the third session will be the commitments to action by RfP interreligious councils and groups, including women of faith and youth networks, at national, regional and international levels and recommendations for necessary tools for action. The final outcome will be the compilation of a report that will be shared widely with multiple stakeholders including religious communities, governments, intergovernmental organizations, civil society and the private sector. These will also inform the 9th World Assembly Declaration.
COMMISSION 1: WELCOMING THE OTHER THROUGH CONFLICT PREVENTION AND TRANSFORMATION

SESSION I  NOV. 20TH 16:00–17:15 (KLIMT 1)

Moderator: Dr. Gerard Powers, Director of Catholic Peacebuilding Studies, Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, University of Notre Dame

Keynote Presentation: Mr. Robert Dann, Chief, Mediation Support Unit, UN Department of Political Affairs

Panel:
› H.E. Dr. Mustafa Ceric, Fmr. Grand Mufti of Bosnia and Herzegovina; Co-President, RfP
› Dr. Brian J. Grim, Senior Researcher and Director of Cross-National Data, Pew Research Center, USA
› Dr. Layla Alkhafaji, Director of External Relations, Al-Hakim Foundation, Iraq
› Dr. Douglas M. Johnston, President, International Center for Religion and Democracy, USA
› Dr. Alberto Quattrucci, Secretary General, Community of St. Egidio, Italy

SESSION II  NOV. 21ST 11:00–12:30 (KLIMT 1)

Moderator: Dr. Siti Musdah Mulia, Research Professor, Indonesian Institute of Sciences; Chairperson of the Indonesian Conference of Religions for Peace

Keynote Presentation: Hon. Alimamy P. Koroma, Minister of Public Works, Government of Sierra Leone; Fmr. Secretary General, Interreligious Council of Sierra Leone-RfP

Panel:
› Dr. Parichart Suwanbubbha, Co-Secretary, Religions for Peace Interreligious Council of Thailand; Director, Institute of Peace Studies and Human Rights, Mahidol University
› Bishop Elia Toume, Episcopal of Pyrgou, Syria
› Dr. Benjamin D. Lartey, Coordinator, RfP West Africa Interreligious Councils Coordinating Committee, Liberia

SESSION III  NOV. 21ST 15:45–17:30 (KLIMT 1)

Moderator: Rev. Dr. Setri Nyomi, General Secretary, World Alliance of Reformed Churches; Co-President, RfP

Working Group Session:
› Reports from Working Groups in a Plenary
› Discussion on the Commission Report

1 All three sessions of the Assembly Commission 1 will be facilitated by Mr. Stein Villumstad, General Secretary, European Council of Religious Leaders-RfP (ECRL-RfP).
COMMISSION 2: WELCOMING THE OTHER THROUGH CITIZENSHIP FOR JUST AND HARMONIOUS SOCIETIES

SESSION I  NOV. 20TH 16:00–17:15 (KLIMT 2)

Moderator: H.E. Ambassador Ufuk Gokcen, Permanent Observer of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) to the United Nations

Keynote Presentation: Ms. Floriane Hohenberg, Head, Tolerance and Non-Discrimination Department, Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR), Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE)

Panel:
› Dr. Mohamed Elsanousi, Director of Community Outreach; Islamic Society of North America (ISNA)
› The Most Rev. Bernard Ntahoturi, Archbishop and Primate of Burundi; Co-President, Religions for Peace Burundi
› Rabbi Marcelo Polakoff, President, Latin American Rabbinical Assembly and President, Interreligious Committee for Peace of Cordoba, Argentina

SESSION II  NOV. 21ST 11:00–12:30 (KLIMT 2)

Moderator: H.E. Bishop Vianney Fernando, Bishop of Kandy; Vice President, Sri Lanka Council of Religions for Peace

Keynote Presentation: H.M. Sultan Muhammad Sa’ad Abubakar III, Sultan of Sokoto; President General, Nigeria Supreme Council for Islamic Affairs; Governing Board Member, African Council of Religious Leaders-RfP

Panel:
› Revd Dr. Thomas Wipf, President, Council of the Federation of Swiss Protestant Churches; Moderator, European Council of Religious Leaders–RfP
› Ms. Daw Zo Hming Thangi, Executive Secretary, Ecumenical Women Work, Myanmar Council of Churches
› Ms. Daniela Malec, Coordinator, Religions for Peace Europe Interfaith Youth Network (RfP EIYN)

SESSION III  NOV. 21ST 15:45–17:30 (KLIMT 2)

Moderator: Rev. Riad Jarjour, Secretary General, Arab Group for Muslim-Christian Dialogue, Syria/Lebanon

Working Group Session
› Reports from Working Groups in a Plenary
› Discussion on the Commission Report

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2 All three sessions of the Assembly Commission 2 will be facilitated by Dr. Elias El-Halabi, Associate General Secretary, Middle East Council of Churches.
COMMISSION 3: WELCOMING THE OTHER THROUGH HUMAN DEVELOPMENT THAT RESPECTS THE EARTH

SESSION I  NOV. 20TH 16:00–17:15 (STRAUSS & BRAHMS)

Moderator: Ms. Katherine Taylor, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Global Health, USAID

Keynote Presentation: Ms. Amalia Navarro, Communication & Partnerships Coordinator, United Nations Millennium Campaign

Panel:
› Ms. Laura Vargas Valcárcel, General Coordinator, Peruvian Catholic Bishops’ Conference (CEP); Executive Secretary, Interreligious Council of Peru
› Mr. U Myint Swe, President, Ratana Metta Organization; President, Religions for Peace Myanmar, Myanmar
› Dr. Nigel Crawhall, Director of Secretariat, Indigenous Peoples of Africa Co-coordinating Committee, South Africa

SESSION II  NOV. 21ST 11:00–12:30 (STRAUSS & BRAHMS)

Moderator: Rev. Dr. Karen Hamilton, General Secretary, Canadian Council of Churches; Co-President, RfP, Canada

Keynote Presentation: Serigne Mansour Sy, President, Islamic Association of Senegal; Co-President, RfP

Panel:
› Msgr. Pierre-Andrea Dumas, President, Caritas Haiti; President, Religions for Peace Haiti
› His Holiness Sri Sugunendra Theertha Swamiji, Abbott Sri Putige Matha Monastery; Co-President, RfP, India
› Ms. Paddy Meskin, President, South African Union of Temple Sisterhoods; President, Religions for Peace South Africa
› Mr. Joshua Kitakule, Secretary General, Interreligious Council of Uganda

SESSION III  NOV. 21ST 15:45–17:30 (STRAUSS & BRAHMS)

Moderator: H.E. Dr. Kul Chandra Gautam, Former Assistant Secretary General, United Nations; International Trustee, RfP, Nepal

Working Group Session:
› Reports from Working Groups in a Plenary
› Discussion on the Commission Report

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3 All three sessions of the Commission 3 will be facilitated by Dr. Francis Kuria, Executive Director, Interreligious Council of Kenya.
COMMISSION 4: WELCOMING THE OTHER THROUGH RELIGIOUS AND INTERRELIGIOUS EDUCATION

SESSION I  NOV. 20TH 16:00–17:15 (MAHLER & BRUCKNER)

Moderator: H.E. Dr. Mohammed al-Sammak, Secretary General, Islamic Christian National Dialogue Committee; Co-President, RfP

Keynote Presentation: Ms. Fatemeh Hashemi Rafsanjani, Secretary General, Women’s Solidarity Association of Iran; Honorary President, RfP

Panel:
› Mr. Matthew Hodes, Director, United Nations Alliance of Civilizations
› Dr. Geoff Tunnicliffe, Secretary General, World Evangelical Alliance; Co-President, RfP
› KAICIID Representative
› Dr. Jaime Carril, General Secretary, Good Life Corporation; Coordinator, Latin American Inter-religious Network on Peace Education

SESSION II  NOV. 21ST 11:00–12:30 (MAHLER & BRUCKNER)

Moderator: H.E. Metropolitan Emmanuel, Director, Patriarchate Liaison Office of the European Union; Co-President, RfP

Keynote Presentation: H.E. Dr. Abdulaziz Othman Altwaijri, Director General, Islamic Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (ISESCO); International Trustee, RfP

Panel:
› Rev. Peter Morales, President, Unitarian Universalist Association
› Rabbi Ron Kronish, Director, Interreligious Coordinating Council in Israel (ICCI) – RfP
› Ms. Ravinder Kaur Nijjar, Co-Chair, Religions for Peace European Women of Faith Network

SESSION III  NOV. 21ST 15:45–17:30 (MAHLER & BRUCKNER)

Moderator: Mr. Lawrence Chong, RfP Asia & the Pacific Interfaith Youth Network, Singapore

Working Group Session:
› Reports from Working Groups in a Plenary
› Discussion on the Commission Report

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4 All three sessions of the Commission 4 will be facilitated by Prof. Dr. Johannes Lähnemann, Chairman, Peace Education Standing Commission (PESC) of Religions for Peace.
9TH WORLD ASSEMBLY BUSINESS MEETINGS

The Assembly Business Meeting shall consist of voting delegates accredited by the Assembly Accreditation Committee.

BUSINESS MEETING OBJECTIVES

BUSINESS MEETING I
Nov. 20th 09:00–10:00 (Park Congress I-III)

› Constitute the Assembly Committees and Declare the Opening of the Assembly
  › Assembly Steering Committee
  › Assembly Nominating Committee
  › Assembly Declaration Committee
› Secretary General’s Report on Religions for Peace since the last Assembly
› Reports from Women and Youth Pre-Assemblies

BUSINESS MEETING II
Nov. 21st 19:40–21:00 (Park Congress I-III)

› Receive the first draft of the Assembly Declaration
› Receive a draft slate from the Assembly Nominating Committee, including representatives of International Women’s Coordinating Committee and the International Youth Committee
› First Balloting

BUSINESS MEETING III
Nov. 22nd 09:00–10:30 (Park Congress I-III)

› Approve the final draft Assembly Declaration
› Election of the new World Council of Religions for Peace, its Secretary General and Treasurer
## WOMEN PRE-ASSEMBLY PROGRAM

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## YOUTH PRE-ASSEMBLY PROGRAM

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| 9:00–9:20  | OPENING                                | • Welcome  
• Prayer and meditation in each other’s presence  
• Adoption of the slate of the drafting and recommendation committees                                                                                             | Dr. William F. Vendley, Secretary General, *Religions for Peace International*  
Ven. Bhanu Cittadhanto, *RIP Asia & Pacific Interfaith Youth Network (APIYN)*  
Ms. Catherine Njuguna, *RIP Africa Interfaith Youth Network (AIYN)*  
Mr. Nikhil Bumb, *RIP North America Interfaith Youth Network (NAIYN)*  
Ms. Stella Maris Mulaeh, *RIP Africa Interfaith Youth Network (AIYN)* | Ms. Stella Maris Mulaeh, *RIP Africa Interfaith Youth Network (AIYN)* |
| 9:20–11:00 | PLENARY SESSION ONE                    | Overview of the Assembly theme and global challenges  
Welcoming the Other through:  
• Conflict prevention and transformation  
• Just and harmonious societies  
• Human development that respects the earth  
• Religious and inter-religious education  
• Question and answer session                                                                                                                  | Mr. Lawrence Chong, *RIP Asia & the Pacific Interfaith Youth Network*  
Ms. Stellamaris Ndlinda Mulaeh, *RIP Africa Interfaith Youth Network*  
Mr. Paul Henry Sheridan, *RIP Myanmar Interfaith Youth Network*  
Mr. Manar Bilal, *RIP Syria Interfaith Youth Network*  
Mr. Gustavo Ali, *RIP Latin America & Caribbean Interfaith Youth Network* | Mr. Gustavo Ali, *RIP Latin America & Caribbean Interfaith Youth Network* |
| 11:00–11:15| Coffee Break                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                                                             |
| 11:15–12:30| WORKING GROUP SESSION                  | Group discussions  
Facilitators and rapporteurs will be assigned for each group                                                                                                                                           | Ms. Sunila Ammar, *RIP Asia & the Pacific Interfaith Youth Network* |
| 12:30–13:30| JOINT PRE-ASSEMBLY WORKING LUNCH       | • Restoring dignity initiative  
• Women of faith protecting children in post conflict situation in Liberia  
• Drafting and nominating committees meet                                                                                                     | Ms. Jacqueline Ogega, Founder, Mpanzi and consultant, *Religions for Peace Women’s Mobilization Program*  
Ms. Badiatu Tunis Dukuly, Coordinator, Women of Faith Network, Liberia  
Ms. Soher el Sukaria, Coordinator, *RIP Latin America & Caribbean Interfaith Youth Network*  
Ms. Evelyn Zentner de Falck, International Council of Jewish Women; Coordinator, Latin America Women of Faith Network | Ms. Evelyn Zentner de Falck, International Council of Jewish Women; Coordinator, Latin America Women of Faith Network |
| 13:30–14:30| PLENARY SESSION TWO                   | Presentation from working group                                                                                                                                                                       | Ms. Rori Picker Neiss, *RIP North America Interfaith Youth Network* |
| 14:30–15:15| International Youth Committee (IYC) BUSINESS SESSION | Elections of IYC                                                                                                                                                                                                | Chair of the IYC Recommendation Committee  
Mr. Daniel Barton, *RIP Europe Interfaith Youth Network* | Mr. Daniel Barton, *RIP Europe Interfaith Youth Network* |
| 15:15–16:00| CLOSING                               | • Presentation of IYC  
• Statement of shared commitment  
• Closing remarks                                                                                                                                         | Ms. Stella Maris Mulaeh, Outgoing Chair of IYC  
Mr. Baker al Hiyari, *RIP MENA Interfaith Youth Network*  
Mr. Parthipan Palanisamy, *RIP Asia & the Pacific Interfaith Youth Network* | Mr. Baker al Hiyari, *RIP MENA Interfaith Youth Network*  
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