International Meeting

PEACE IS ALWAYS POSSIBLE

Religions and Cultures in Dialogue



Tirana, 6 - 8 September 2015

DRAFT PROGRAM (23 august 2015)

6 SEPTEMBER

Sunday Afternoon

Opening Assembly

Congress Palace 5:00 p.m.

Chaired by

Hilde Kieboom

Community of Sant'Egidio

Welcome Greeting

Blendi Klosi

Minister of Welfare and Youth, Albania

Reading of the Message of

Pope Francis

Opening speeches

Edi Rama

Prime Minister of Albania

Andrea Riccardi

Founder of the Community of Sant'Egidio

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Testimony

Louis Raphaël I Sako

Patriarch of Babylon of the Chaldeans, Iraq

Contributions

Anastasios

Archbishop of Tirana and Primate of the Autocephalous Orthodox Church of Albania

David Rosen

Former Chief Rabbi of Ireland, AJC, Israel

Muhy al-Din Afifi

Secretary General of Al-Azhar Al-Sharif Islamic Research Academy, Egypt

Sudheendra Kulkarni

President of the Research Hindu Foundation of Mumbai, India

7 SEPTEMBER

Monday Morning

PANEL 1

Orthodox Cathedral, Auditorium 9:30 a.m.

The Role of Christian Unity in a Divided World

Chaired by

Ole Christiam Maele Kvarme

Lutheran Bishop, Norway

Contributors

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Enthons

Archbishop, Ethiopian Orthodox Tewahedo Church

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Ignatiy

Orthodox Metropolitan Bishop, Moscow Patriarchate

Anders Wejryd

Co-President of the World Council of Churches

Matteo Zuppi

Catholic Bishop, Italy

PANEL 2

Tirana International Hotel, Akernia Hall 9:30 a.m.

Peace is Always Possible

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Mauro Garofalo

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Chairman of the Indonesian Ulema Council Center

PANEL 3

National History Museum, Conference Hall 9:30 a.m.

Christians and Muslims and the Challenges of a Global World

Chaired by

Michel Santier

Catholic Bishop, France

Contributors

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Islamic theologian, Lebanon

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Joseph Soueif

Catholic Maronite Archbishop, Cyprus

PANEL 4

Polytechnic University, Auditorium 9:30 a.m.

Peace is Possible in Iraq

Chaired by

Mario Giro

Under-Secretary of State to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Italy

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Domenico Quirico

Journalist of "La Stampa", Italy

Louis Raphaël I Sako

Patriarch of Babylon of the Chaldeans, Iraq

PANEL 5

University of Arts, Concert Hall 9:30 a.m.

The Martyrs Show that Christianity is Changing

Chaired by

Armand Puig

Catholic theologian, Faculty of Barcelona, Spain

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Armenian Primate of Damascus, Syria

Serafim

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PANEL 6

Rogner Hotel, Conference Hall 9:30 a.m.

A New Alliance between Humankind and Environment

Chaired by

Maite Carpio

Journalist and film director, Italy

Contributors

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PANEL 7

Congress Palace, Conference Hall 9:30 a.m.

70 Years since Hiroshima: the Past and the Future

Chaired by

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PANEL 8

Orthodox Cathedral, Conference Hall 9:30 a.m.

Globalizing Solidarity

Chaired by

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Monday Afternoon

PANEL 9

Orthodox Cathedral, Auditorium 4:30 p.m.

The Spirit of Assisi from the Cold War to the Global World

Chaired by

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Mohammed Amine Smaili

Islamic theologian, University of Rabat, Morocco

PANEL 10

Tirana International Hotel, Akernia Hall 4:30 p.m.

Mercy of God: Strength for Change

Chaired by

Dionysius Jean Kawak

Orthodox Archbishop, Syrian Church

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PANEL 11

National History Museum, Conference Hall 4:30 p.m.

Stories of the Mediterranean: a Sea that Both Divides and Unites

Chaired by

Antonio Ferrari

Journalist of "Corriere della sera", Italy

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PANEL 12

Polytechnic University, Auditorium 4:30 p.m.

Gratuitousness and the Global Market

Chaired by

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PANEL 13

University of Arts, Concert Hall 4:30 p.m.

Religions and Violence

Chaired by

Athanasios

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Contributors

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Primate of the Armenian Orthodox Church in the United Kingdom

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PANEL 14

Rogner Hotel, Conference Hall 4:30 p.m.

Prayer as a Source of Peace

Chaired by

Leon Lemmens

Catholic Bishop, Belgium

Contributors

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Orthodox Metropolitan Bishop, Serbian Patriarchate

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Global Ambassador of the World Evangelical Alliance

Virgil

Greek-Catholic Bishop, Romania

PANEL 15

Congress Palace, Conference Hall 4:30 p.m.

Scenarios of War: Peace is Put to the Test

Chaired by

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Former President of the International Committee of the Red Cross

Contributors

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PANEL 16

Orthodox Cathedral, Conference Hall 4:30 p.m.

Development and Humanism in Asia: an Open Question for Religions

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8 SEPTEMBER

Tuesday Morning

PANEL 17

Orthodox Cathedral, Auditorium 9:30 a.m.

Europe at a Crossroads

Chaired by

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PANEL 18

Tirana International Hotel, Akernia Hall 9:30 a.m.

Seyfo: a Forgotten Massacre

Chaired by

Marco Impagliazzo

President of the Community of Sant'Egidio

Lecture by

Ignatius Aphrem II

Syrian Orthodox Patriarch of Antionch and Al the East

PANEL 19

National History Museum, Conference Hall 9:30 a.m.

The Poor of Our Times and Religions

Chaired by

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PANEL 20

Polytechnic University, Auditorium 9:30 a.m.

Albania, Land of Living Together

Chaired by

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Intellectual and politician, Albania

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PANEL 21

University of Arts, Concert Hall 9:30 a.m.

Migrants: a Global Challenge

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Understanding the World Starting from the Peripheries

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PANEL 23

Congress Palace, Conference Hall 9:30 a.m.

Is Living Together Possible Today?

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PANEL 24

Orthodox Cathedral, Conference Hall 9:30 a.m.

Is Dialogue Still Necessary?

Chaired by

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8 SEPTEMBER

Tuesday Afternoon

Prayer for Peace

City Centre 4:30 p.m.

5:00 p.m.

Prayers for Peace

In separate locations according to each religious tradition (look at the following map)

6:30 p.m.

Peace Procession

From each prayer location, together, towards the Piramide square

7:00 p.m. Final Ceremony Piramide square

Final Addresses

Testimonies

Reading of the Appeal for Peace 2015

Planting of the olive tree of peace

Delivering of the Appeal to the younger generations

Lighting of the candelabras and Signing of the Appeal
Sign of Peace and Final Exit Procession