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Beyond War and Towards Reconciliation: Multi-Religious Peace Roundtables

The Second Tokyo Peace Roundtable

PROGRAMME

TOKYO, JAPAN

18 - 22 FEBRUARY 2024

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Monday, 19 February

WELCOME AND OPENING DISCUSSIONS

10:00 – 10:15

Prayer and Introduction (Closed)

Master of Ceremony: Ms. Yasuko Yasue Miyoshi, Director of General Affairs
Department, *Religions for Peace* Japan

Prayer:

- **Ven. Eigen Onishi**, Kiyomizu-dera Temple
- **Msgr. Hector Fabio Henao**, Permanent Accompanier of the Catholic Episcopal Conference of Colombia (CEC) to the Peace Dialogue Table between the National Government and National Liberation Army (ELN)

Introduction:

- **Dr. Francis Kuria**, Secretary General, *Religions for Peace*

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Key Learnings from and Post the First Tokyo Peace Roundtable (Closed)

Moderator: Rev. Dr. Nobuhiro Masahiro Nemoto, Special Advisor, *Religions for Peace Asia*

Speakers:

- **Mr. Vakhtang Kipshidze**, Deputy Chairman, Russian Orthodox Church's Synodal Department for Relations between Church, Society and Media
- **H.E. Mufti Tagir Hazrat Bikchantayev**, Mufti of the Spiritual Administration of Muslims of Russia; Representative of the Spiritual Assembly of Muslims of Russia
- **Rev. Dr. Ihor Shaban**, Head of the Commission for Interreligious Dialogue and Ecumenical Affairs, Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church
- **H.E. Metropolitan of Bila Tserkva Yevstratiy**, Deputy Head, External Church Relations, Orthodox Church of Ukraine
- **H.E. Cardinal Charles Bo**, Archbishop of Yangon; Co-President, *Religions for Peace*
- **Rev. Kosho Niwano**, President-Designate, Rissho Kosei-Kai; Co-Moderator, *Religions for Peace*
- **Hon. Ichiro Aisawa**, Member of the House of Representatives; Director General, *Religions for Peace* Parliamentary Support Group

Q&A

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Opening Ceremony (Open to Media and Online)

13:00 – 13:10

Prayer /Meditation

- **Rev. Munemichi Kurozumi**, Chief Patriarch, Kurozumikyo Shinto
- **H.E. Cardinal Charles Bo**, Archbishop of Yangon; Co-President, *Religions for Peace*

13:10 – 14:30

Opening Session

Moderator: Rev. Yoshiharu Tomatsu, Chair, *Religions for Peace* Japan

Welcome Remarks by Ven. Gijun Sugitani, Chief Priest, Myoho-In Temple

Speakers

- **H.E. Metropolitan Emmanuel Adamakis**, Elder Metropolitan of Chalcedon; Co-Moderator, *Religions for Peace*
- **Dr. Kezevino Aram**, President, Shanti Ashram; Co-Moderator, *Religions for Peace*
- **H.E. Shaykh Dr. Abdallah Bin Bayyah**, President, Forum for Promoting Peace in Muslim Societies, Abu Dhabi; Co-Moderator, *Religions for Peace*
- **Bishop Dr. Munib Younan**, Bishop Emeritus of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land; Honorary President, *Religions for Peace*
- **H.E. Mr. Miguel Ángel Moratinos**, United Nations Under-Secretary-General and High Representative, United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC)
- **Hon. Katsuya Okada**, Former Minister of Foreign Affairs and Co-President of *Religions for Peace* Parliamentary Support Group

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14:30 – 14:45

Break

14:45 – 16:15

Session I: Reflections on Ongoing Conflicts and the Role of Religious Leaders in Forgiveness and Reconciliation (Closed)

Moderator: Dr. Joan Hernandez Serret, Secretary General, *Religions for Peace Europe*

- Presentation from **Africa**:
 - **H.E. Sheikh Thierno Hady Thiam**, Vice President, Muslim High Council of Mali; Member, Council of Presidents, Interreligious Council of Mali (Virtual)
 - Q&A
- Presentation from **Asia**:
 - **H.E. Cardinal Charles Bo**, Archbishop of Yangon; Co-President, *Religions for Peace*
 - Q&A
- Presentations from **Europe**:
 - **H.E. Chief Rabbi Yaakov Dov Bleich**, Chief Rabbi of Kyiv and Ukraine, Founder and President, Union of Jewish Religious Organisations of Ukraine
 - **Rabbi Aharon Gurevich**, Head, Department of Federation of Jewish Communities of Russia
 - Q&A
- Presentations from **Latin America and the Caribbean**:
 - **Msgr. Hector Fabio Henao**, Permanent Accompanier of the Catholic Episcopal Conference of Colombia (CEC) to the Peace Dialogue Table between the National Government and the National Liberation Army (ELN)
 - **Rev. Pierre Rigaud Julien**, Executive Committee Member, Protestant Federation of Haiti (FPH); Representative, *Religions for Peace Haiti*
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Presentations from the **Middle East:**

- **Mr. Salah Zuhaika**, Former Deputy Minister of Islamic Endowment; Member, The Council of Religious Institutions in the Holy Land (CRIHL)
- **Mr. Avi Dabush**, Chief Executive Officer, Rabbis for Human Rights
- Q&A

16:15 – 16:30

Break

16:30 – 18:00

Session II: Multi-Religious and Multi-Stakeholder Approach to Forgiveness and Reconciliation (Open to Media and Online)

Moderator: Ms. Deepika Singh, Deputy Secretary General and Director of Programmes, *Religions for Peace*

Speakers:

- **Dr. Francis Kuria**, Secretary General, *Religions for Peace*; Secretary General, African Council of Religious Leaders – *Religions for Peace*
- **Rev. Dr. Yoshinori Shinohara**, Secretary General, Asian Conference of *Religions for Peace*; Secretary General, *Religions for Peace* Japan
- **Dr. Joan Hernandez Serret**, Secretary General, *Religions for Peace* Europe
- **Mr. Elias Szczytnicki**, Secretary General and Regional Director, *Religions for Peace* Latin America and the Caribbean

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DISCUSSION AND CLOSING CEREMONY

<p>09:00 – 09:10</p>	<p>Opening Prayers / Meditation (Closed)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ven. Sojo Kobayashi, General Manager, Tendai Buddhism in Japan • Dr. Kezevino Aram, President, Shanti Ashram; Co-Moderator, <i>Religions for Peace</i>
<p>09:10 – 10:20</p>	<p>Introduction: Rev. Dr. Yoshinori Shinohara, Secretary General, Asian Conference of <i>Religions for Peace</i>; Secretary General, <i>Religions for Peace</i> Japan</p> <p>Breakout Group Discussions: <i>Leveraging the Unique Strengths of Multi-Religious and Multi-Stakeholder Approaches to Forgiveness and Reconciliation</i> (Closed)</p>
<p>10:20 – 11:00</p>	<p>Plenary Session on the Presentations from the Breakout Group Discussions (Closed)</p> <p>Moderator: Ms. Deepika Singh, Deputy Secretary General and Director of Programmes, <i>Religions for Peace</i></p> <p>Discussion on the Official Statement and Commitments from the <i>Second Tokyo Peace Roundtable</i> (Closed)</p>

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Discussion on the Official Statement and
Commitments from the *Second Tokyo Peace*
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11:00 – 12:30

***Forging Ahead: Catalysing Multi-Religious and Multi-Stakeholder
Cooperation and Action for Forgiveness and Reconciliation (Closed)***

Moderator: H.E. Metropolitan Emmanuel Adamakis, Elder Metropolitan of Chalcedon; Co-
Moderator, *Religions for Peace*

Speakers: All Participants of the *Second Tokyo Peace Roundtable*

This will be a moderated interactive discussion where all participants will have the opportunity to contribute.

12:30 – 13:00

Final Review and Endorsement of the Official
Statement (Closed)

Moderator: Dr. Kezevino Aram, President,
Shanti Ashram; Co-Moderator, *Religions for*
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Wednesday, 21 February **DISCUSSION AND CLOSING CEREMONY**

14:30 – 16:00

Closing Ceremony (Open to Media and Online)

Prayer:

- Ms. Naoko Kawada, Vice Chair, *Religions for Peace* Japan Women's Committee
- Rev. Pierre Rigaud Julien, Executive Committee Member, Protestant Federation of Haiti (FPH); Representative, *Religions for Peace* Haiti

Moderator:

- Dr. Francis Kuria, Secretary General, *Religions for Peace*

Official Presentation of the Statement

Speaker:

- H.E. Metropolitan Emmanuel Adamakis, Elder Metropolitan of Chalcedon; Co-Moderator, *Religions for Peace*
- Hon. Hirofumi Nakasone, Former Minister of Foreign Affairs; Chairman, International Initiatives of Change (IC) Association of Japan
- Hon. Yukihiisa Fujita, Former Vice Minister of Finance; Secretary General, *Religions for Peace* Parliamentary Support Group
- Rev. Kosho Niwano, President-Designate, Rissho Kosei-Kai, Co-Moderator, *Religions for Peace*