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The United Nations Global Conference on Safeguarding Religious Sites: A Multistakeholder Approach

27 November 2024 10:00 – 13:00

Programme and Provisional List of Speakers

10:00-10:10 Opening Session

- H.E. Mr. Miguel Ángel Moratinos, Under-Secretary-General and High Representative for UNAOC
- H.E. Mr. Nuno Sampaio, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Portugal

10:10-10:30

Presentations of the Implementation of the "United Nations Plan of Action to Safeguard Religious Sites: In Unity and Solidarity for Safe and Peaceful Worship"

- Ms. Nihal Saad, Director of UNAOC
- Mr. Ignacio Ibáñez,

Head of the UNOCT Programme Office in Madrid and Coordinator of the United Nations Global Programme on Countering Terrorist Threats against Vulnerable Targets

10:30-11:20

Setting the Scene: Multistakeholders' Perspective on Safeguarding Religious Sites

- H.E. Mr. Maulen Ashimbayev,
 - Chairman of the Senate of the Parliament of the Republic of Kazakhstan Head of the Secretariat of the Congress of Leaders of World and Traditional Religions
- His Virtue Sheikh-ul-Islam Allahshukur Pashazade, Chairman of the Caucasus Muslims' Board Co-Chair of the Interreligious Council
- H.E. Mr. Md. Touhid Hossain, Hon'ble Adviser for Foreign Affairs of the Government of Bangladesh
- H.E. Mr. Adil Karimli,
 Minister of Culture of the Republic of Azerbaijan





• Very Rev. Dr. Archimandrite Garegin (Tatul) Hambardzumyan,

Representative of the Armenian Apostolic Holy Church and Member of the CEC (Conference of European Churches) Management Board, Armenian Apostolic Holy Church

• H.E. Mr. Ramin Mammadov,

Chairman of the State Committee on Affairs with Religious Associations, Azerbaijan

• Rev. Dr. Fred R. Anderson,

Appeal of Conscience Foundation

• H.E. Mr. Imran Ahmed Siddiqui,

Vice Minister of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan

• Prof. Bhai Sahib Mohinder Singh Ahluwalia,

Co-Convener and Co-Chair, Peace Charter for Forgiveness and Reconciliation

H.E. Mr. Rubén Dario Molina.

Vice Minister of Multilateral Affairs of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela

H.E. Mr. Nikola Stojanović,

State Secretary of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Serbia

• H.E. Dr. Miryan Djamila Sena Vieira,

Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Cabo Verde

11:20-12:55

General Debate: Good Practices and Recommendations on Enhancing the Response and Resilience of Religious Facilities and Communities to Terrorist Threats and Attacks

1. Dr. Nedzad Ef. Grabus.

Sarajevo Mufti and member of the Assembly of the Interreligious Council of Bosnia and Herzegovina

2. H.E. Dato' Bala Chandran Tharman,

Ambassador, Deputy Secretary-General (Multilateral Affairs), Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Malaysia

3. His Grace Bishop Vrtanes (Kamo) Abrahamyan,

Representative of the Armenian Apostolic Holy Church

4. H.E. Mr. Mehmet Pacaci,

Ambassador, Special Envoy of the OIC Secretary General on Combating Islamophobia

5. H.E. Mr. Anar Karimov,

Head of Partnerships and International Cooperation Sector of ICESCO

6. H.E. Ms. Emanuela Claudia Del Re,

Ambassador, European Union Special Representative for the Sahel





7. H.E. Mr. Jean-Christophe Gilbert Marie Peaucelle,

Ambassador, Religious Affairs Advisor, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of France

8. Dr. Mishaan Mohi Alwan Al-Khazraji,

Chair, Sunni Endowment, Iraq

9. H.E. Mr. Maged A. Abdelaziz,

Ambassador, Permanent Observer of the League of Arab States to the United Nations

10. Dr. Anne Burghardt,

General Secretary, Lutheran World Federation

11. Dr. Ibrahim Negm,

Senior Advisor to the Grand Mufti of Egypt, Secretary General of Fatwa Authorities Worldwide

12. H.E. Mr. James Matthew Lambert,

Secretary for Hemispheric Affairs, Organization of American States (OAS)

13. Ms. Bani Dugal,

Principal Representative to the United Nations, Baha'i International Community

14. H.E. Mr. Juan Fernandez Trigo,

Ambassador of Spain to Portugal

15. Dr. Mohamed Elbagir Ali Elsanousi,

Executive Director, Secretariat of the Network of Religious and Traditional Peacebuilders

16. H.E. Mr. Shalva Tsiskarashvili,

Ambassador, Head of International Organizations Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Georgia

17. Mr. Mussie Hailu Gebretsadik,

Ambassador, Regional Director and Representative to the African Union, United Religions Initiative for Africa

18. H.E. Ms. Paula Alves de Souza,

Ambassador, Permanent Delegate of Brazil to UNESCO

19. Mr. Rudelmar Bueno de Faria,

General Secretary, ACT Alliance

20. H.E. Mrs. Mmamokwena Gaoretelelwe,

Ambassador of South Africa to Portugal

21. Sheikh David Munir,

Imam, Lisbon Central Mosque

22. Ms. Sadhviji Bhagawati Saraswatiji,

Secretary General, Global Interfaith WASH Alliance





23. Mgr Nestor (Evgeny Sirotenko),

Metropolitan of Chersonesus and Western Europe and the primate of the Patriarchal Exarchate in Western Europe

24. H.E. Mr. Hamad Alhazeem,

Ambassador of the State of Kuwait in Portugal

25. Chief Rabbi Ruben Suiza.

Rabbi, Lisbon Jewish Community and Central Synagogue

26. H.E. Mr. Francisco José da Cruz,

Ambassador, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Angola to the United Nations

27. Mr. Yahya Pallavicini,

Vice-president and Imam of the Milano Mosque

28. H.E. Mr. Abdulwahab Mohammed Alshehri,

Assistant Secretary-General for Corporate Communication, Muslim World League

29. Mr. Elias Szczytnicki,

Regional Secretary General, Religions for Peace Latin America and the Caribbean

30. H.E. Dr. Ahmed Aldeek,

Chief of Staff and Political Advisor to the Palestinian Minister of Foreign Affairs and Expatriates

31. Mr. Shaukat Warraich,

President, Enhancing Faith Institutions (EFI)

32. H.E. Mr. Rudy Alfonso,

Ambassador of the Republic of Indonesia to Portugal

33. Bishop Jorge Pina Cabral,

Lusitanian Catholic Apostolic Evangelical Church

34. H.E. Mr. Abdullah bin Ahmed Al-Sada,

Ambassador, Secretary of the Qatari Committee for the Alliance of Civilizations

35. H.E. Mr. Puneet R. Kundal,

Ambassador of India to Portugal

36. Dr. Sarah Markiewicz,

Senior Advisor on Interfaith and Intercultural Dialogue, Inter-Parliamentary Union

12:55-13:00 Closing Session

• Co-Chairs