

### THE HUMANITARIAN AFFAIRS STORY

Humanitarian Affairs believes that a lasting peace is a sustainable peace, which means respect for human rights, initiatives to the reduction of poverty, and equal access to education and economic opportunities for all.

#### Who are we

The mission of Humanitarian Affairs is to empower young people and facilitate youth who are passionate about positive social change. We want to equip young emerging leaders with the right skills and tools to spark a generation of dynamic individuals paving the way for social change.

#### The 2020 Peace Summit

Humanitarian Affairs Asia is hosting the 2nd Peace Summit of Emerging Leaders at the United Nations Conference Centre Bangkok, Thailand from February 5 to 7, 2020. The conference will gather 500 young leaders from different parts of the world and give them an understanding and broader perspective on this vitally important subject. We want to empower young leaders to be a champion of peace.

Are you ready to be part of this Global Peace Movement?



"Peace cannot be achieved through violence. It can only be attained through understanding."

Ralph Waldo Emerson

# SPEAKERS



#### ZAK EBRAHIM

Is not his father. His father is El-Sayyid Nosair, the terrorist who killed the leader of the Jewish Defense League and helped plan the bombing of the World Trade Center in 1993. Despite being subjected to violence and extremist ideologies, Zak did not become fanaticised. Instead, he uses his experience to fight terrorism and bigotry in hope that someone who feels compelled to use violence may realise that there is a better way. He believes that violence is not inherent to anyone. Everyone has a choice. For Zak Ebrahim, peace arrives through advocacy.



#### MARINA CANTACUZINO

Is an award-winning journalist who in 2003 founded The Forgiveness Project. The Forgiveness Project is a UK-based non-profit organisation to showcase the real stories of victims and perpetrators to explore ideas around forgiveness. She has also spoken at the United Nations before Secretary General Ban Ki-moon about her work and is a contributor to the film documentary Beyond Right and Wrong. Additionally, she teaches about the Trauma Cycle and runs workshops exploring concepts of forgiveness and restorative storytelling.



#### BERND WOLLSCHLAEGER

Is the son of a highly decorated WWII tank commander and Nazi Officer who was imprisoned after the Allied victory. He struggled growing up in Germany and in his father's shadow. He has authored several books one of them, "A German Life: Against All Odds Change is Possible" where he narrates his struggle. He eventually converted to Judaism and has served in the Israel Defense Forces as a Medical Officer. To Dr. Wollschlaeger, individuals need to take initiative and be proactive in order to create peace.



#### **JOANNA BERRY**

Is a peace activist and public speaker. Her father, Hon. Sir Anthony Berry was killed by the IRA during the Brighton Hotel Bombing. She met Patrick Magee, the bomber that caused her father's death and chose reconciliation over hatred and revenge. She has dedicated her life to peace building and mediation of conflict, thus facilitating extensive workshops around the world. For Jo, peace is about reconciliation through restorative practice.





#### **FELIPE QUEIPO**

Is a communications officer in the Department of Global Communications in the United Nations, New York. He is responsible for outreach, engagement and global communications with civil society. To Felipe, peace comes through constant activism where individuals from various communities are active in advocating for real change around the world. He believes that many individuals have a unique skill set that is useful in advocating for peace. Moreover, he is able to explain how his department in the United Nations is able to facilitate these individual pursuits.



#### **DEREK SCHWARTZ**

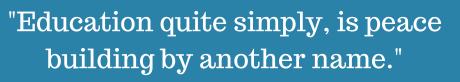
Is an ex-US Marine who has had several deployments in Iraq and Afghanistan. The lives that were taken and the lives that he took constantly haunts Derek. Suffering from both traumatic brain injury as well as post-traumatic stress disorder resulted in him constantly drinking and undertaking bad decisions. However, things began to change when he met his wife, Linsey, and is beginning a new life in construction management. Other soldiers are not as lucky, as PTSD continues to torment them. For Derek, peace comes through the acceptance of one's self.





### SARAH KABIR

Is the author of 'Voices of Peace' as well as a researcher and humanitarian worker. By writing stories of people whose lives have been torn by war, she hopes that this will allow people to listen and internalise their message. She believes that by reading their stories, people will be able to empathise with the storytellers and learn from their message. These stories are an impactful message that strikes the heart. Sarah is also passionate about peace building and reconciliation and believes that racism and divided policies have no place in Sri Lanka. For Sarah, peace building comes through uniting people's stories.



Kofi Annan, 7th Secretary-General of the United Nations



### PEACE ENGAGEMENT TRAINING WORKSHOPS

The 2nd Peace Summit features empowering talks, networking sessions and meaningful workshops to equip you with the life skills to put peacebuilding initiatives into practice.

- Attend Industry Expert-Led sessions and discover how to turn peacebuilding initiatives into **Action for Social Change**
- Globalise and develop your Leadership Skills
  - **Challenge** yourself by **Thinking Critically** about current world issues





**Humanitarian Affairs Peace Ambassador!** Past Delegates have successfully launched meaningful Peace Projects around the world.



# VENUE

The 2nd Peace Summit of Emerging Leaders will be held at the United Nations Conference Centre (UNCC) in Bangkok, Thailand.

The UNCC is one of three UN buildings which serve as the headquarters of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific.

Delegates attending the inaugural Peace Summit are entitled to a 10% discount on souvenir purchases at the UN Gift Shop.

#### Cancellation Policy

Cancellations and refund requests made before November 30th, will receive a 50% refund. If you file your refund request December 1st, and December 31st, you will be honored with a 25% return of fees. From January 1st, onwards we are unable to honor any refund requests.



# REGISTRATION

The Fees of USD 777.00 X 7% VAT (Tax) includes:

- 4-Night stay in a Twin/Triple sharing room at the Ibis Styles Bangkok Khaosan Viengtai or the equivalent
- Access to all plenary session and workshop
- 4 Breakfasts, 3 Lunches and 3 Tea breaks
- Daily coach transfers to the United Nations Conference Centre
- Certificate of Participation

Note. To upgrade to a Single Occupancy Room there is an additional fee of USD 180.00

Alternatively, the Convention and Networking Access Registration Fee (Non-Accommodation Option) is USD 600 x 7% VAT (Tax)

# ARE YOU...

- Between the ages of 17 to 35 years old?
- Passionate about Peace, Social Change and Humanitarian Affairs?
- © Ready to network with Like-Minded individuals?
- ✓ Motivated to serve as an Humanitarian
  Affairs Peace Ambassador?

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