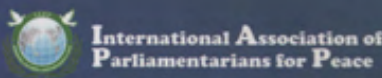




INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PARLIAMENTARIANS FOR PEACE

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The International Association of Parliamentarians for Peace (IAPP) was founded as an organization of parliamentarians on a global level to seek out the realization of world of everlasting peace and the development of mankind towards a path of coexistence and mutual prosperity for future generations. Thus, it is an international network created to take on critical issues such as territorial disputes, religious conflicts, racial conflicts, environmental degradation, climate change, violent extremism and poverty, through the common solidarity and cooperation of the parliamentarians of the world.

On February 15, 2016, 150 parliamentarians from 41 nations gathered at the National Assembly of the Republic of Korea for the International Leadership Conference (ILC) under theme, “Addressing the Critical Challenges of Our Time: The Role of Governments, Civil Society and Faith-Based Organizations,” to discuss what action the global community can take to resolve these issues. The discussion led to the realization of the necessity of an organization of parliamentarians who will work together on the global level for the sake of human development and world peace, which led to a resolution to form the “International Association of Parliamentarians for Peace (IAPP).” This resolution sparked the launch of the IAPP in all continents around the globe.

2016

February

Founding of the International Association of Parliamentarians for Peace (IAPP)

Seoul, Republic of Korea

Attended by 400 People, including 150 Parliamentarians from 41 Countries

July

Launch of IAPP in the Asia-Pacific

Kathmandu, Nepal

Attended by 500 People, including 166 Parliamentarians from 29 Countries

August

Launch of IAPP in West and Central Africa

Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso

Attended by 400 People, including 160 Parliamentarians from 24 Countries

September

Launch of IAPP in Europe, Middle East, and North Africa

London, United Kingdom

Attended by 150 People, including 40 Parliamentarians from 40 Countries

October

Launch of IAPP in Central America

San José, Costa Rica

Attended by 250 People from 20 Countries, including all 57 Parliamentarians of Costa Rica,

October

Launch of IAPP in South America

Asunción, Paraguay

Attended by 300 People, including Former and Current Presidents and Parliamentarians from 10 Countries

November

Launch of IAPP in East Africa

Lusaka, Zambia

Attended by 300 People

November

Launch of IAPP in Japan

Tokyo, Japan

Attended by 300 People, including Japanese Parliamentarians

November

Launch of IAPP in North America

Washington, D.C., USA

Attended by 300 People, including 70 Parliamentarians from 56 Countries

2017

February

General Assembly of the International Association of Parliamentarians for Peace

Seoul, Republic of Korea

Founding of the International Association of Parliamentarians for Peace (IAPP)

February, 2016

Seoul,
Republic of Korea

In the name of world peace and the reunification of the Korean peninsula, 150 parliamentarians representing 41 nations signed a resolution to form the International Association of Parliamentarians for Peace (IAPP) on February 15, 2016 at the National Assembly of the Republic of Korea during the International Leadership Conference (ILC). Amidst heightened tension caused by North Korea's fourth nuclear test and long-range missile launch, 450 parliamentarians, journalists and key leaders from around the world gathered for the International Leadership Conference.

The resolution to form the International Association of Parliamentarians for Peace stated, "North Korea continues to develop its nuclear weapons program, raising serious concerns all over the world that military tensions are rising throughout Northeast Asia" and resolved, "Let us show the example and pursue the path of mutual cooperation and mutual prosperity, building a world of lasting and sustainable peace that can be bequeathed to future generations."



Speech by Rep. Dan Burton (R-Indiana), Chairman of Promotion Committee (former U.S. congressman)



Congratulatory Message by Ui-Hwa Jeong, the Speaker of the National Assembly of the Republic of Korea (at the time)



Welcoming Message by Eul-Dong Kim, Parliamentarian of the Republic of Korea (at the time)



Tan Sri Muhyiddin, Vice Prime Minister of Malaysia



Nina Novakova, Parliamentarian of the Czech Republic



Edward Dagooseh, Senator of Liberia



Commemorative photo after signing at the inauguration of IAPP



Inauguration Ceremony

Launch of IAPP in North America

November, 2016

Washington, D.C., USA

The International Association of Parliamentarians for Peace was launched in North America on November 30, 2016 in the Kennedy Caucus Room in Washington, D.C. In addition to Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon, Founder of the International Association of Parliamentarians for Peace, and U.S. Senator Orrin Hatch (R-Utah), as well as 300 individuals, including national representatives, parliamentarians, religious leaders, women's group leaders, media personnel and NGO leaders representing 56 nations, resolved to form the International Association of Parliamentarians for Peace as a tool for peace.

Former U.S. Congressman Dan Burton and former Philippine Speaker of the House Hon. Jose de Venecia were elected as the co-chairmen of the IAPP.

As our world faces a wide range of problems that pose a serious threat to human development and to the realization of world peace, including territorial disputes, religious and racial conflicts, environmental degradation, climate change, violent extremism, poverty, famine, nuclear proliferation and corruption, a group of parliamentarians from around the world gathered at the International Leadership Conference and formed an international network of men and women committed to solving the critical challenges of our time, and realizing a world of lasting peace.



Launch of the International Association of Parliamentarians for Peace in North America



Orrin Hatch (R-Utah), President pro tempore of the United States Senate



Hon. Jose de Venecia, former Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Philippines



Dan Burton (R-Indiana), former U.S. Congressman



Nachman Shai, Parliamentarian from Israel



Todd Tiaht (R-Kansas), former U.S. Congressman



Launch of the International Association of Parliamentarians for Peace in North America (Kennedy Caucus Room of the Russell Senate Office Building)



Woody Burton (R-Indiana), U.S. Congressman



Tom McDevitt, Chair of the Washington Times



Barbara Cubin (R-Wyoming), former U.S. Congresswoman



Tim Huelskamp (R-Kansas), U.S. Congressman



Danny K. Davis (D-Illinois), U.S. Congressman



John Doolittle (R-California), former U.S. Congressman



Robert Pittenger (R-North Carolina), U.S. Congressman



Kessai Note, former President of the Marshall Islands



Victoria Kalima, Parliamentarian of Zambia



Issawi Frej, Parliamentarian from Israel

Launch of IAPP in Central America

October, 2016

San José,
Costa Rica

On October 8, 2016, the Central American (Central America and Caribbean) chapter of the International Association of Parliamentarians for Peace was launched in San Jose, Costa Rica, during the International Leadership Conference.

250 cabinet members, parliamentarians and mayors representing 20 nations, including Mexico, Panama, Costa Rica, the Dominican Republic, Jamaica and others, gathered at the launching of the IAPP to discuss the responsibility of parliamentarians in establishing a peaceful world, as well as the principles of mutual prosperity, a sense of responsibility, respect for human rights, constitutionalism, etc., thus strengthening the cooperation among parliamentarians.

In particular, Forum of Presidents of the Legislative Bodies of Central America and the Caribbean Basin (FOPREL), including Central America, Mexico and the Caribbean, signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Universal Peace Federation (UPF), the sponsor of this event, as an agreement to work together for the realization of a peaceful world.



Antonio Alvarez Desanti, President of Costa Rican Parliament



Ana Helena Chacon, Vice President of Costa Rica



Jhon Fonseca, Deputy Minister for Foreign Trade of Costa Rica



Manuel Eduardo Conde, Parliamentarian from Guatemala



Launch of Peace Road in Costa Rica



Launch of the IAPP in Central America



Commemorative photo after signing at the launch of the IAPP in Central America

Launch of IAPP in South America

October, 2016

Asunción,
Paraguay

The South American chapter of the International Association of Parliamentarians for Peace was launched in Asunción, Paraguay, during the three-day International Leadership Conference (ILC) held from October 10-13, 2016.

In addition to the Vice President of Paraguay and the President of the Chamber of Deputies of Paraguay, 300 cabinet members, parliamentarians, mayors and other government officers from 10 countries including Argentina, Paraguay, Uruguay, Colombia, Chile, Peru, Bolivia, Ecuador, Venezuela, etc., attend the event titled, "Addressing the Critical Challenges of Our Time: The Role of Governments, Civil Society and Faith-Based Organizations."



Cynthia Elizabeth Tarrago Diaz, Parliamentarian of Paraguay



Graciela Rompani Delmond, former First Lady of Uruguay



Before the Opening Ceremony



Signing by Former President of Uruguay, Julio Maria Sanguinetti Coirolo



Discussion of Realizing World Peace through the Peace Road



Launching of the IAPP in South America



Commemorative photo after signing at the launching of the IAPP in South America

Launch of IAPP in Europe, Middle East, and North Africa

September, 2016

London, United Kingdom

The Europe, Middle East and North African chapter of the International Association of Parliamentarians for Peace was launched in London, England, during the two-day International Leadership Conference (ILC) held September 7-9, 2016.

In addition to former Albanian President Alfred Moisiu, the former President of Kosovo, Fatmir Sejdiu and former Austrian Minister of Defense Dr. Werner Fasslabend, as well as seven parliamentarians from the UK, 150 parliamentarians, diplomats, professors and religious leaders from 40 nations, including Germany, France, Italy, Israel, Jordan and Egypt, etc., attended the ILC. Under the theme, “Interregional Dialogue Addressing Critical Challenges: Europe, Eurasia, the Middle East and North Africa,” parliamentarians from Europe and the Middle East discussed how to resolve global conflicts, such as religious conflicts, environmental decline and terrorism, etc.



Lord Robin Eames, Member of the British House of Lords



Lord Rajinder Loomba, Member of the British House of Lords



Virendra Sharma, Member of the British Parliament



Lord Nazir Ahmed, Member of the British House of Lords



Presentation by Erna Hennicot-Schoepges, former President of the Parliament of Luxembourg



Inauguration Ceremony (UK Congress)



Commemorative photo of participants following Inauguration Ceremony

Launch of IAPP in the Asia-Pacific

July, 2016

Kathmandu,
Nepal

The Asian and Pacific chapter of the International Association of Parliamentarians for Peace was launched in Kathmandu, Nepal, during the International Leadership Conference (ILC) held July 28-31, 2016, with prime ministers, parliamentarians, current and former leaders, etc., in attendance.

In addition to Sharma Oli, former Prime Minister of Nepal; Parmanand Jha, former Vice-President of Nepal; Ek Nath Dhakal, Minister of Peace and Reconstruction in Nepal; Anote Tong, former President of the Republic of Kiribati; Kessai Note, former President of the Marshall Islands; Hon. Jose de Venecia Jr., former Speaker of the House of the Philippines; and 101 current parliamentarians of Nepal, 166 parliamentarians from 29 nations, including Malaysia, Thailand, the Philippines, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand, etc., resolved to meet regularly to discuss global issues, such as climate change, global poverty and terrorism. They signed a proclamation to work together to resolve these challenges, and to pursue a peaceful and harmonious world.



Opening Ceremony by Khadga Prasad Sharma, Prime Minister of Nepal



Keynote Address by Ek Nath Dhakal, Minister of Nepal



Speech by Jose de Venecia, Jr., former Speaker of the House of the Philippines



Signing at the Launch of IAPP in the Asia-Pacific



Opening of Peace Road in Nepal



Discussion with Topic of "Peace-Building, Human Rights, and Climate Change"



Launch of International Association of Parliamentarians for Peace in the Asia-Pacific

Launch of IAPP in Japan

The Japanese chapter of the International Association of Parliamentarians for Peace was launched in Tokyo, Japan, during the International Leadership Conference held November 16-17, 2016, with the support of the Japan Institute for Peace Policies (IPP).

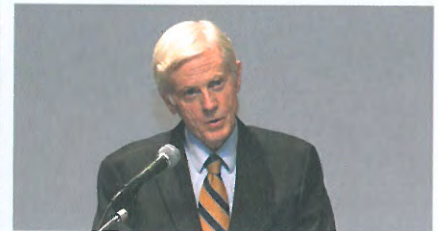
November, 2016

Tokyo,
Japan

Among the 300 guests attending the International Leadership Conference under the theme, "Japan's Choice in a Turbulent World," were current Japanese parliamentarians; diplomats; academic, religious, NGO and youth leaders; representatives from the media, etc. The conference addressed a wide range of global issues, including issues relating to the USA, Europe, Russia and the Middle East.



MK Hilik Bar, Vice-Speaker of Israel



David Kilgour, former Parliamentarian from Canada



Vladimir Petrovskiy, Senior Researcher at Russian Science Academy



Victor Razbegin, Director of Russia's Economy Development Department



Signing of Resolution at the Launch of IAPP in Japan



Launch of IAPP in Japan



Launch of IAPP in Japan (Japanese National Assembly)



Launch of IAPP in Japan

Launch of IAPP in West and Central Africa

August, 2016
Ouagadougou,
Burkina Faso

The West/Central African chapter of the International Association of Parliamentarians for Peace was launched in Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso, at the Burkina Faso National Assembly on August 8, 2016, during the International Leadership Conference.

Both the launch and the ILC were organized by UPF in partnership with the National Assembly under Burkina Faso's President Roch Marc Christian Kaboré.

The ILC was held under the theme, "Addressing the Critical Challenges of our Time: The Role of Governments, Parliaments and Civil Society," and was attended by 400 participants, including Dioncounda Traore, former President of Mali; Lona Charles Ouattara, Deputy Speaker of the National Assembly of Burkina Faso; Awudu Mbaya, Cyprian, Deputy Speaker of the National Assembly of Cameroon; Gilbert Bangana, Deputy Speaker of the National Assembly of Benin; 4 current and 7 former ministers; 160 parliamentarians from 24 nations; 5 army commanders; 12 chiefs; 40 representatives of the African media; diplomats; professors; Christian and Muslim leaders, etc.



Charles Lona, Chair of the Launch of the IAPP in West/South Africa and Deputy Speaker of the House of Burkina Faso



Dioncounda Traore, former President of Mali



Launch of IAPP in West/Central Africa



Launch of IAPP in West/Central Africa



Opening of the Peace Road in Burkina Faso



Launch of IAPP in West/Central Africa



Signing of Resolution at the Launch of IAPP in West/Central Africa

Launch of IAPP in East Africa

November, 2016

Lusaka,
Zambia

The East African chapter of the International Association of the Parliamentarians for Peace (IAPP) was launched at the National Assembly of Zambia during the International Leadership Conference (ILC) held November 5-7, 2016, with 300 participants in attendance, including Kalumba Wilson, Mayor of Lusaka (capital of Zambia); Geoffrey Lungwangwa, Parliamentarian of Zambia; etc.

Following a congratulatory message by Victoria Kalima, Parliamentarian (Zambian Minister of Gender) and benediction by Bishop David Masupa, the participants signed a resolution to form the International Association of the Parliamentarians for Peace.



Presentation by Victoria Kalima, Parliamentarian from Zambia



Presentation by Geoffrey Lungwangwa, Parliamentarian from Zambia



Benediction by Zambian Bishop David Masupa



Commemorative Photo of Participants



Opening of Peace Road in Zambia



Launch of IAPP in East Africa



Launch of IAPP in East Africa (National Assembly of Zambia)



Commemorative Photo at Launch of IAPP in East Africa

2017 General Assembly of the International Association of Parliamentarians for Peace

International Leadership Conference for the Realization of Peace and Reunification of the Korean Peninsula



The International Association of the Parliamentarians for Peace (IAPP) is bringing together parliamentarians from around the world, forming an international network of men and women who are committed to solving the critical challenges of our time based on coexistence, mutual prosperity and realizing a world of everlasting peace.



General Assembly of the International Association of Parliamentarians for Peace - Seoul, Republic of Korea



Launch of IAPP in the Asia-Pacific - Kathmandu, Nepal



Launch of IAPP in West and Central Africa - Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso



Launch of IAPP in Europe, Middle East, and North Africa - London, United Kingdom



Launch of IAPP in Central America - San José, Costa Rica



Launch of IAPP in South America - Asunción, Paraguay



Launch of IAPP in East Africa - Lusaka, Zambia



Launch of IAPP in Japan - Tokyo, Japan



Launch of IAPP in North America - Washington, D.C., USA