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Dr. Jun Takada, PhD in Science, giving a lecture



Research indicates assassination of former Prime Minister Abe may not have been the act of a lone individual but rather an act of organized terrorism

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"Not a Lone Attacker, But Organized Terrorism"

Dr. Jun Takada (Ph.D. in science) gives a lecture in Tokyo on the truth behind the assassination of former Prime Minister Abe

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Ahead of the third anniversary of the shooting incident that led to the assassination of former Prime Minister Shinzo Abe (安倍晋三), a lecture event examining the case was held on 5th July at the Seiryo Kaikan in Nagatacho, Tokyo. The event was organized by Taasan Publishing and the Center for Radiation Protection Information. Dr. Jun Takada (高田純) [See editor's note below], a physicist, reported on his investigation.



Dr. Jun Takada at the Senichi Club 25th June 2022

He emphasized that the overall purpose of the incident was "the elimination of Mr. Abe and the weakening of the Abe faction", and that the unrelated former <u>Unification Church</u> (<u>Family Federation for World Peace and Unification</u>) was exploited in the process.

Based on analysis of footage before and after the incident, Dr. Takada [See editor's note below] referred to the presence of a woman wearing a sailor-style school uniform, a white mask, and white headphones. "Upon investigation, it turned out that the uniform was not from any nearby schools. At the moment the incident occurred, she ran away in a different direction from everyone else," he noted, arguing once again that it may not have

been the act of a lone individual - Tetsuya Yamagami (山上徹也), the accused - but rather an organized act of terrorism.

Takada [See editor's note below] also shared that he attempted to publish a book summarizing his research findings to uncover the truth behind the incident but was rejected by multiple publishers. He said,



Tetsuya Yamagami. He may not have acted alone assassinating Shinzo Abe, the former prime minister of Japan

"I can't help but feel that there is considerable pressure being exerted on the media world."

After the lecture, one attendee, information strategy analyst Tetsuhide Yamaoka (山岡鉄秀), stated,

"Those in power within the country are desperate to cover this up and will not speak the truth. We must once again make Japan a nation with high moral standards."

Additional opinions from the audience included suggestions such as,

"The homemade gun should be reconstructed and tested in an experiment."

[Editor's note: Jun Takada (高田純) was born in 1954 in Tokyo. He holds a Doctorate in Science and served as a professor at Sapporo Medical University, now Professor Emeritus in Radiological Protection. He has conducted extensive field research on nuclear and radiological issues in locations such as Hiroshima, Chernobyl, Semipalatinsk, the Marshall Islands, Siberia, the Silk Road, and Fukushima.

Focus areas of his research include nuclear armament in China and North Korea, and nuclear terrorism preparedness, collaborating with Japan's Self-Defense Force medical units.

Dr. Takada has authored "A Historical Examination of the Nara Incident" (国史 奈良の変 - 2023), a self-published investigative report in Japanese on the Abe assassination, featuring a comprehensive scientific analysis. The "Nara Incident" refers to the assassination of former Prime Minister Shinzo Abe in Nara in July 2022. The title suggests that the author is framing the event not merely as a criminal case but as a historically significant turning point worthy of national historical analysis.

Jun Takada regularly appears in public forums, including YouTube talk shows such as "The Intellectuals' Broadcast Channel" (Bunkajin TV - 文化人放送局) analyzing the Abe shooting via acoustic and video data. The channel is an alternative Japanese media platform (often hosted on YouTube) featuring commentary from intellectuals, academics, and political pundits.

In June 2023, at a Senichi Club (世日クラブ) online lecture, Takada argued that the fatal shot was fired by someone other than Tetsuya Yamagami, and that the incident was likely an organized terrorist attack, not a lone wolf action. The Senichi Club refers to a public lecture or speaker series affiliated with or hosted by the Sekai Nippo.

Dr. Takada uses audio waveform analysis to pinpoint a third shot (a short, sharp noise just before the second loud bang), and suggests inconsistencies in bullet trajectory, bullet entrance and exit wounds, and possible cover-ups by law enforcement.]

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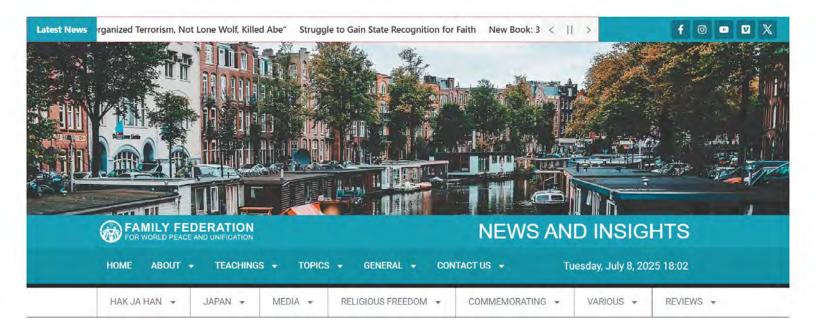
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Struggle To Gain State Recognition For Faith

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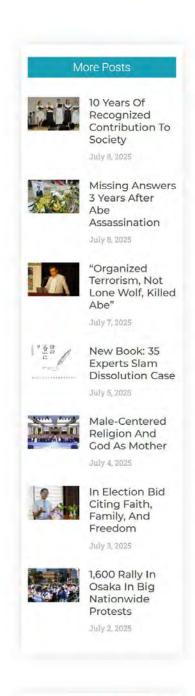


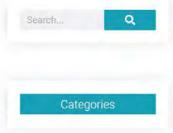
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10 Years of Recognition of the Unification Church in Austria (2015–2025)











Speakers and distinguished guests at the celebration on 4th July 2025, of the 10th anniversary of the official recognition of the Unification Church in Austria. Photo: Tony Cook

First part of a speech by Peter Zoehrer, President of the Unification Church of Austria 2015-2025 and President of the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification in Austria from 2000 to 2017. It was delivered at the celebration on 4th July 2025, of the 10th anniversary of the official recognition of the Unification Church in Austria. The event was held at the Family Federation headquarters in Vienna.

Zoehrer reports that the program celebrated not only the legal achievement of being recognized by the authorities but also decades of dedication, faith, and public engagement. The event was graced by the presence of Dr. Martin Fischer, representative of the Federal Ministry for Arts, Culture, the Civil Service and Sport, who, according to the organizers, delivered an outstanding and thoughtful address. Peter Zoehrer writes that the celebration was further enriched by the participation of a number of dignitaries from various religious communities, whose support and solidarity gave the event a truly interfaith and inclusive spirit.

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Dear Ministerial Councillor Prof. Dr. Martin Fischer, Honored representatives of the religious communities, Ladies and gentlemen,



From the celebration on 4th July 2025, of the 10th anniversary of the official recognition of the Unification Church in Austria. Photo: Tony Cook

It is a particular honor for me to welcome you here today – on a day that represents much more than just an anniversary for our faith community. Your presence, in the midst of the summer heat and the often-busy vacation season, is a powerful sign of solidarity and understanding. It shows that the experiences and challenges of the past ten years hold relevance far beyond our own community.

Today, we celebrate ten years of state recognition of the Unification Church (Vereinigungskirche) in Austria. A milestone that fills us with deep gratitude, but also with the obligation to reflect and to look ahead with clarity.

On 15th June 2015, our **faith community** (German: Gemeinschaft) was officially recognized as a registered religious denomination by the state (German: staatlich eingetragene Bekenntnisgemeinschaft). This act was not merely a formal step, but the result of years of efforts, dialogue, and active contributions to the social life of Austria.

This historic moment marked the end of a long journey - one characterized by idealism, tireless commitment, and a deeply rooted belief in the universal values of family, peace, and dialogue.

As I said at the time – and I quote:

"State recognition was a victory for the rule of law – but also an invitation to make our faith more visible for the benefit of society. Religious freedom is not an end in itself but a mandate to help shape society."

A long road, a firm faith

The path to this day was anything but easy. It was lined with challenges and obstacles, yet always carried by the hope that truth and justice would ultimately prevail.

I vividly remember the many conversations, the doubts, but also the

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unwavering determination of our members. There were moments of despair, when the burden of prejudice and misunderstanding seemed almost unbearable. Yet it was in these very moments that we experienced the strength of unity and the significance of our faith.

Anyone who wants to understand our position today must look back to where it all began – with those who courageously laid the first stone.



Paul Werner (1927-2008 – bottom left) and early members of the Unification Church in Europe. Photo: FFWPU

In 1965, Rev. Paul Werner came to Austria. With tireless dedication and a clear vision, he laid the foundation – with a few companions – for a movement that is now active in the fields of family, education, interreligious dialogue, and peacebuilding. We founded associations, overcame legal barriers, and created new structures – such as the Austrian Family Federation for World Peace (German: Familienföderation für Weltfrieden) in 1997. This testifies to our continued commitment to the well-being of society.

At a time when religious freedom in social practice was often reserved for established churches, our recognition process took four years. Four years in which we submitted countless documents, held discussions, and continually demonstrated the value of our community.

This success would not have been possible without the selfless contributions of many. I would especially like to highlight two individuals:

- Dr. Christian Brünner, constitutional law expert at the University of Graz
- Gerlinde Goach, a lawyer from Graz

With their professional expertise, unassailable integrity, and unwavering perseverance, they made a decisive contribution in ensuring that our application stood firm not only legally but was also respected on equal footing. We are sincerely grateful to them. They were without a doubt a "winning team".

Recognition as liberation

This recognition was far more than a legal act.

For many of us, it was a liberation – especially for our younger generation. For a long time, our youth were often listed as "OB" – without denomination – even though they had a deep faith, a unique religious identity, and a spiritual home in our community. This designation was not just an administrative label – it meant social exclusion and the feeling of not being fully accepted for many young people.

Today, our young people can openly profess their faith – in school, with authorities, and in everyday life. They are part of a recognized religious community. This gives them dignity, self-confidence, and hope for the future.

There has also been a noticeable shift in how religious minorities are portrayed in the media.

For a long time, religious minorities were stigmatized in the media – burdened with clichés and targeted by sensationalist coverage. But even here, much has changed: Today, public debate on religion is more nuanced, respectful, and dialogue-oriented.

We are no longer merely objects of media projection, but subjects in constructive discourse.

To be continued. Part 2 coming soon.

See also: 10 Years of Recognized Contribution to Society

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