

UPF UK's Africa Day Celebration a Colourful Day with a Contrast of Speeches

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UPF's Africa Day celebration was an inspiring, passionate, colourful day with a contrast of speeches highlighting injustice, cultural dancing and singing. It was a programme with many Africans who had expertise or concern about a region of the African continent. Refugees from Eritrea, Egyptian rap about youth poverty in the land of the Pharaohs, poorly performing hydro-electric dams in DRC, to mentoring the future potential leadership across Africa: it was an eclectic mix.

Mulumba Kabongo explained the role of UPF and its founder Mrs Dr Hak Ja Han Moon in Africa with slides of the Senegalese and South African Summits in 2018 among other activities in other nations. (See powerpoint [here](#).) A video on the Sunhak Peace Prize illustrated the level of recognition given to influential Africans by UPF. (See video below). An Introduction UPF video (see below) demonstrated the partnership of the African Union with UPF.



While Lydia Tet Olett led all in a Kenyan cultural dance, another Kenyan, Jacqueline Onalo, told the folk story of 'The Oracle of Nakhabuka' who unexpectedly defeated her suitor in a traditional wrestling match to settle his claims to her hand. Several worthy causes were also promoted to the gathered audience. Sally Baffour explained the Eco-Learning Centre she had founded in several nations. Marie-Christine Nibagwire spoke of her experience as a Rwandan genocide survivor. Dr Nnamdi Chukwu spoke (see video below) of the inspiration he had received from the day.

Dr Yehoeshahfaht Ben Israel similarly spoke passionately (see video below) about his engagement with UPF as well as introducing the training course he is presenting on May 25th. It is to illustrate the principles for non-violent reconciliation used by Rev Dr Martin Luther King Jr. We hope in future to

provide longer training programmes to develop facilitators of peace efforts.

The day culminated in African food with many people milling around taking photos in ad hoc groupings until satisfied they had sufficient digital mementos to remember an inspiring day, and those they shared it with, for a long time.

[Photo Link](#) for the day



