

# **UPF UK: Highlighting the Work of Ambassadors for Peace: A Global Network of Peacebuilders**

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The Universal Peace Federation (UPF) proudly upholds the slogan "Global Network of Peacebuilders," reflecting our unwavering commitment to fostering peace and sustainable development worldwide. Through the dedication of our Ambassadors for Peace, who embody idealism and genuine service, UPF continues to make significant strides in promoting a better world. Today, we are honoured to spotlight the extraordinary contributions of these esteemed peacebuilders.

An introduction by **Dr. Saima Niaz**, a Consultant Psychiatrist who is a Patron of UPF UK.

Dr. Niaz is a Consultant Psychiatrist, as well as being an Official UN Women UK delegate to the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women (CSW 68). MBBS, Allama Iqbal Medical College Lahore, Pakistan. Fellow of the College of Physicians and Surgeons (FCPS, Psychiatry), Karachi, Pakistan.

**Dr. Sohan Choudhary - 'Youth and Global Peace'**

Dr. Sohan Choudhary is a distinguished academic and a fervent advocate for global peace and sustainable development. He holds the prestigious position of Professor of English Language and Literature at the University of Delhi, New Delhi, India. Beyond his academic endeavors, Dr. Choudhary is the visionary Founder President of the Youth for Global Peace and Sustainable Development Foundation, headquartered in New Delhi.

Through his foundation, Dr. Choudhary tirelessly works to advance global peace and sustainable development across India. His primary focus is on educating and engaging the youth, recognizing them as pivotal agents of change. Dr. Choudhary's impactful talks and lectures underscore the significance of these critical issues, inspiring young minds to take action towards a more peaceful and sustainable world.

**Canon Otto: CEO and Founder of Clean Cyclers**

Otto Canon is an award-winning 'Sustainability and Environment Consultant', committed to restoring our fast-degrading environment from breakage and advocating for the propagation of sustainability across the

world. Over his 10 years-plus experience as a social entrepreneur, community organizer and sustainability consultant, he has worked with multilateral organizations across various sectors. He received several awards from The President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, Several State Governors, Organisations, and His Imperial Majesty, Ojaja 2 Ooni' of Ife, the biggest Monarch in Africa. In 2016, he founded Clean Cyclers Africa to recycle plastics and paper waste, plant trees to mitigate climate change, and promoted these practices as a lifestyle in achieving a sustainable environment, healthy communities and healthy citizens. See Cleancyclers website [here](#).

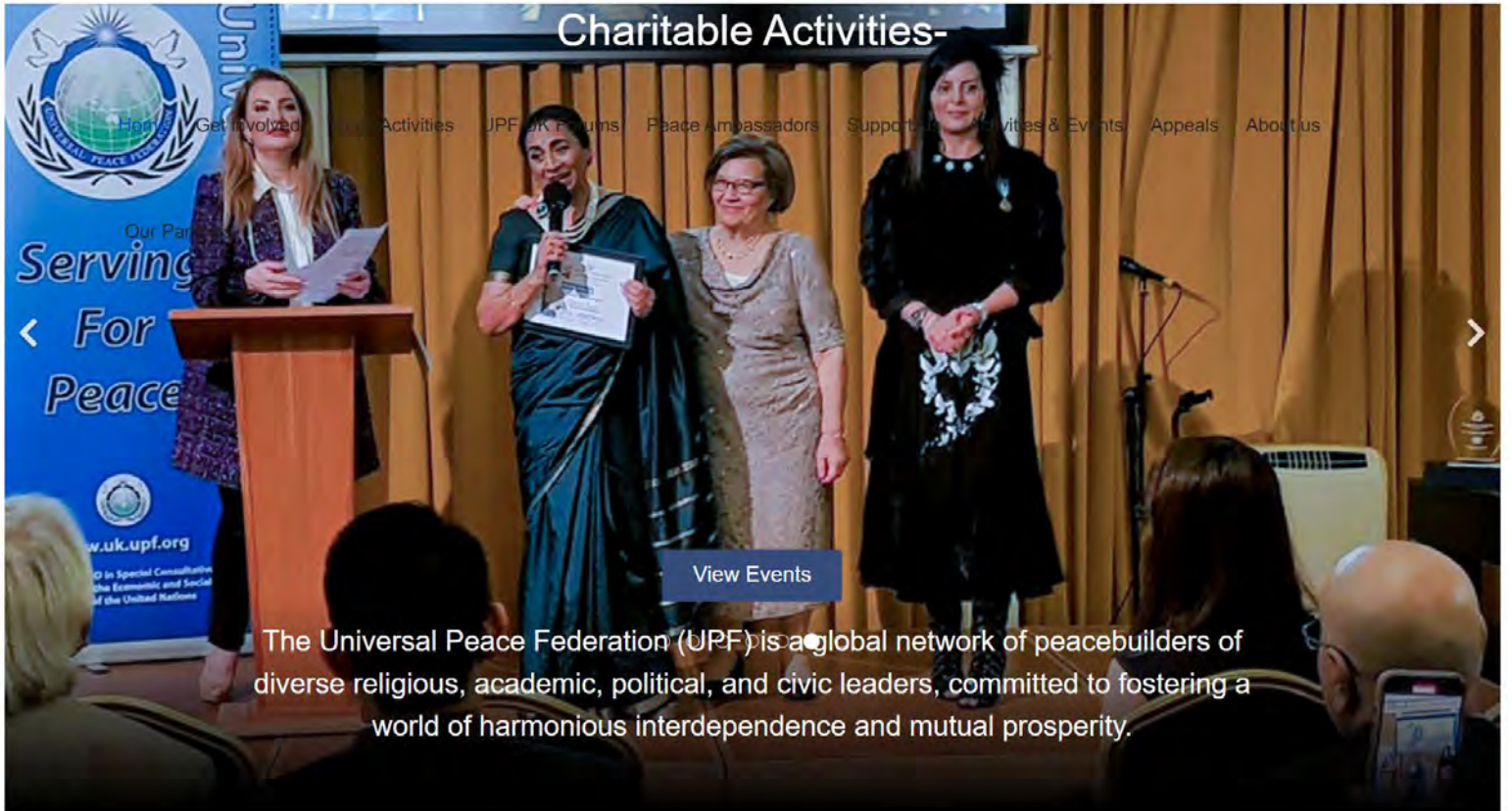
**Ambassador Shukria Barakzai:**

Afghan Politician and Former Ambassador of Afghanistan to Norway, Journalist and Muslim Feminist. An advocate for women, she was the Afgan ambassador to Norway. She is a recipient of the International Editor of the Year Award. She is also recipient of the prestigious Universal Peace Federation's Ambassador for Peace Award.

Shukria Barakzai has had over 20 years of experience in legislation and lawmaking. She was the Ambassador of Afghanistan to Norway and was the founder of the Afghan Female Journalists Association and director of the Asian Women Organisation. She was also Chief Editor of Aina e Zan (Women's Mirror). In the 2005 elections, she was elected as a member of the Afghan Parliament. She is one of only a handful of female MPs who speak up for women's rights. World Press Review named Barakzai International Editor of the Year in 2004. In December 2005, she was named Woman of the Year by the BBC Radio 4 programme Woman's Hour, and She has won Prize for Human Rights in Italy. She was among the Foreign Policy magazines '100 Leading Global Thinkers' in 2015. She is also among the 2000 Outstanding Intellectuals of the 21st Century.

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Guided by a unifying vision of humanity as a single global family, UPF envisions a world where all individuals, irrespective of their beliefs, unite under universal principles. Upholding the inherent worth of every person as being loved by God, UPF is guided by a commitment to foster dialogue and understanding.

UPF works with a global network of Ambassadors for Peace who are individuals whose lives exemplify the ideal of living for the sake of others, and who dedicate themselves to promoting universal moral values, strong family life, inter-religious cooperation, international harmony, renewal of the United Nations, responsible mass media, and the establishment of a global culture of peace.

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Throwback to the Rally of Hope 2020. Former UN secretary-general Ban Ki Moon, commended UPF for its global efforts

towards peacebuilding





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