UPF Lisbon, Portugal: Meeting and Appointment of New Ambassadors of Peace

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Taking into account that UPF Portugal had already proposed some names for appointment as Ambassadors of Peace from among its closest and collaborative contacts for a forthcoming event where it would be appropriate, unfortunately, it was not possible yet, in a short time, to hold a suitable event for this appointment.

Therefore, taking advantage of the visit to Portugal at this time by the Co-Chair of UPF Europe and the Middle East, Mr. Jacques Marion, to participate in the Estoril Conferences event, and since he expressed his desire to have a meeting with our closest Ambassadors of Peace and Partners, UPF Portugal decided to organize a meeting in which he himself would make the honors to appoint our new next Ambassadors of Peace.

In this regard, UPF Portugal invited several of his closest Ambassadors of Peace to participate in this meeting on Saturday, September 2nd, at the end of the day, at our Embassy of Peace, with the aim of them getting to know and share relevant information, content, and updates about UPF in Europe and in the world, and to witness the appointment of the new colleagues.

Despite still being in the vacation season, around 30 people were present, including nine current Ambassadors of Peace from various fields, and three of the seven appointed names were able to attend.

The program, designed to be very informal, began with an introductory video about UPF and the presentation of each one of those present.

The message from Mr. Jacques Marion, after the significant event that was the Estoril Conferences, focused on the historical and current importance of Portugal in Europe, Africa (especially in the Lusophone countries), and also why not in the world, considering its adventurous past in World discoveries.

Following that, the appointment of the three new Ambassadors of Peace took place, namely: Dr. Gonçalo Terenas (CDO of HHERF Foundation: Human, Health, Education and Research Foundation); Dr. Isabel Potier (Citizens Order Association); Rev. Pt. António Barnabé (NL of the Tocoist Church in Portugal)

The event concluded with celebratory moments of fellowship.