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Peace Talks

Prospects for Peace on the Korean Peninsula International Control Cont

Russian Webinar Explores Korea's Future

Moscow, Russia—UPF held a webinar on the theme "Prospects for Peace on the Korean Peninsula."

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'Peace Road' Traces 1945 Death March

Steyr, Austria—Participants bicycled more than 400 kilometers from the Hungarian border to the Mauthausen concentration camp.

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Interfaith Forum Seeks Hope in Troubled Times

Jerusalem, Israel—An interfaith forum with about 40 participants was held during the Jewish holiday of Sukkot.

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<u>Founder's Centenary, UPF Anniversary</u> Celebrated

Budapest, Hungary—One hundred participants commemorated the centenary of the UPF founder and the 15th anniversary of the founding of UPF.

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Interfaith Forum Focuses on the Divine Parent

Lisbon, Portugal—For its second online interreligious forum, UPF chose the theme "God as Father and Mother."

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UPF Expands Aid Distribution to Second City

Tripoli, Lebanon—UPF-Lebanon held a second distribution of food and other items to needy families.

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'Peace Road' Event Held on World Walking Day

Pristina, Kosovo—UPF and affiliated organizations staged a Peace Road event on World Walking Day.

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Centenary Forum Discusses Peace in Africa and Korea

Paris, France—On the occasion of the Founders Centenary Exhibition, UPF organized a forum on prospects for peace in Africa and Korea.

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<u>International Day of Peace Conference</u> Emphasizes Youth

Geneva, Switzerland—IAPD co-sponsored a two-day conference on "Empowering Youth for Peace."

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Zoom webinar: External Players and Prospects for Peace on the Korean Peninsula

Friday, 20 November 2020 04:00pm - 05:30pm

Registration: eume.upf,org/resources/signup-for-webinar-on-20-11-2020

Date: Friday 20 November 2020

Time: 16:00 CET or 10:00 EST

The language of the webinar will be English with translation into French and Russian.



The purpose of the conference is to discuss topical issues of peace and security on the Korean Peninsula. The situation there affects not only the Asia-Pacific region, but also many world processes, including the possibility of peaceful sustainable development in many countries.

2020 marks the 70th anniversary of the outbreak of the Korean War, which destroyed the lives and destinies of many people. After 70 years, how does humanity look at what happened? Is there a possibility

of a new Korean miracle – the unification of Korea into a single state – in the near future?

2020 was a year of dramatic shocks for all of humanity, as evidenced not only by the COVID-19 pandemic, but also by the huge changes that are taking place in the fields of geopolitics, the world economy, education, media, religion and culture, at all levels of society, including families, communities, cities and countries. Has 2020 brought the prospect of peace on the Korean Peninsula closer or further away?

Speakers:



Vladimir Petrovskiy is the chief researcher at the Russia-China Center of the Institute of Far Eastern Studies of the Russian Academy of Sciences. He has a doctorate in political science and is a member of the Academy of Military Sciences of Russia and an expert on the Russian International Affairs Council. Dr. Petrovskiy was formerly the deputy head of the RIA Novosti news agency regional office in Beijing and a news producer at the BBC Russian Service. He is the author of four monographic books and more than 100 academic publications on the theory of international regimes, multilateral security arrangements in the post-Soviet space, both in Korea and the

Asia-Pacific and Euro-Atlantic regions, as well as international peacekeeping and conflict resolution.



Harry J. Kazianis is a senior director at the Center for the National Interest, a Washington, D.C.-based national security think tank founded by President Richard Nixon. He also serves as executive editor of its publishing arm, The National Interest. In the past, Harry served as a foreign policy adviser to the 2016 presidential campaign of Sen. Ted Cruz and as editor-and-chief of The Diplomat. He also holds a non-resident senior fellowship at the China Policy Institute, University of Nottingham, and a non-resident fellowship at the Center for Strategic and International Studies in Hawaii.

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Rally of hope to commemorate the 70th anniversary of the Korean War

Sunday, 22 November 2020 06:00pm - 07:30pm

To register, visit www,rallyofhope.eu



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