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Upcoming events

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Korean Peninsula: armistice and effect of the NNSC (Neutral Nations Supervisory Commission)



Webinar organised by UPF Europe and Middle East

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For more than 70 years, the Korean Peninsula has been tragically divided at the 38th parallel. The Neutral Nations Supervisory Commission (NNSC) was established by the Korean Armistice Agreement signed on July 27th, 1953, assigning two nations on either side, Switzerland and Sweden for ROK and Czechoslovakia and Poland for

DPRK. Despite many efforts to open a path to peace and reconciliation, the two Koreas are still technically at war and the conflict remains frozen.

Keynote speaker:

Major General Patrick Gauchat, Head of the Swiss delegation to the Neutral Nations Supervisory Commission (NNSC) in Panmunjom, Korea.

Repondents:

Dr. Claude Béglé, Entrepreneur, founder and president, Symbiosswiss; former member of Parliament, Switzerland

Dr. Marek Aleksander Czarnecki, Former Polish Member of the European Parliament, Chairman of the "South Asia Peace Forum

Thursday, 10 June 2021 16:00 - 17:15

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Peace Road Austria-Czech Republic-Germany



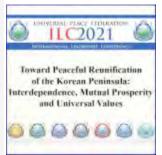
Hike to the 3-country corner of Austria, Germany and Czech Republic. Contact Maria Pammer of UPF Austria for more information.

Sunday, 20 June 2021

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International reports

Europe-Middle East ILC2021: Executive Summary



France—UPF's Europe-Middle East branch completed an International Leadership Conference focusing on a unified Korea.

Europe-Middle East ILC Opens with Focus on Korea



France—The UPF co-founder's speech set the direction for the International Leadership Conference's eight sessions.

ILC2021 EUME: International Association for Peace and Economic Development



London, United Kingdom—A proposed Japan-Korea tunnel may join the ranks of the world's most famous tunnels.

ILC2021 EUME: International Summit Council for Peace



Vienna, Austria—Two former prime ministers joined the International Summit Council for Peace session of ILC2021.



ILC2021 EUME: Interreligious Association for Peace and Development

Europe and the Middle East—A webinar asked if people of faith can help to unite the divided Korean Peninsula.

ILC2021 EUME: International Association of Parliamentarians for Peace



Europe and the Middle East—An online conference of parliamentarians addressed the issue of Korean reunification.

ILC2021 EUME: International Media Association for Peace



Europe and the Middle East—The media's peacemaking potential in Northeast Asia was the theme of an IMAP webinar.

ILC2021 EUME: International Association of First Ladies for Peace



Europe and the Middle East—A number of distinguished women spoke about women's potential as peacemakers.

ILC2021 EUME: International Association of Arts and Culture for Peace



Europe and the Middle East— The International Association of Arts and Culture for Peace held a webinar as part of ILC2021.

ILC2021 EUME: International Association of Academicians for Peace



Europe and the Middle East—The International Association of Academicians for Peace organized one of the ILC2021 sessions.

ILC2021 EUME: Closing Session



Europe and the Middle East—After eight sessions focusing on Korean reunification, ILC2021 concluded with a spirit of accomplishment and hope.

Regional news

Poles Express Views on Korean Unification



Warsaw, Poland—UPF-Poland's first national webinar focused on the reunification of North and South Korea.

Insider Reveals the Tricks of the Media



Bratislava, Slovakia—A longtime journalist explained "Media and Manipulation" to an international audience.

International Day of Families Observed in Germany



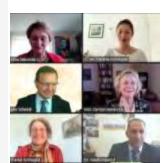
Stuttgart, Germany—The 2021 International Day of Families was celebrated by a gathering in the UPF-Stuttgart premises, joined by others online.

UPF Supports Moscow Ecological Forum



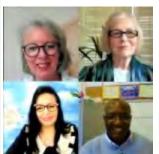
Moscow, Russia—A UPF team joined 1,500 participants from 80 Russian regions to discuss environmental concerns.

International Day of Families Observed in Central Europe



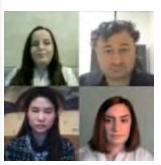
Prague, Czech Republic—UPF of Central Europe held an online conference to celebrate the International Day of Families.

International Day of Families Observed in United Kingdom



London, United Kingdom—Four guest speakers gave their insights into parenting and child development.

ROK-Caucasus Relations Explored



Tbilisi, Georgia—Speakers from Armenia, Azerbaijan and Georgia described relations between their nations and South Korea.

International Day of Families Observed in Georgia



Tbilisi, Georgia—The main speaker addressed the issue of challenges of family relationships.

Common History, Culture Seen as Bridge for Koreans



Tallinn, Estonia—UPF held its fourth webinar on the topic of Korean reunification.

Interfaith Meeting Probes Humankind's Beginning



France—UPF held its fourth online interfaith meeting on the topic "At the Beginning of Humanity."

International Day of Families Observed in Moscow



Moscow, Russia— UPF and two affiliated organizations held an international conference in honor of International Day of Families.

International Day of Families Observed in Italy



Rome, Italy—The future of the family was the theme of a webinar organized by UPF and an affiliated organization.

Czechs Discuss the Future of Religion



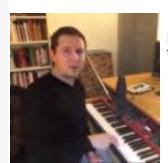
Prague, Czech Republic—The Czech chapter of UPF held a webinar titled "Quo Vadis, Religion?"

Roundtable Focuses on Arts' Nobler Possibilities



Moscow, Russia—UPF co-sponsored a discussion on preserving traditional values in the creative arts.

Interfaith Discussion Goes Back to the Beginning



France—UPF held an online interfaith discussion on the topic "Beginnings of the Creation."

Estonia Explores K-pop and Road to Pyongyang



Tallinn, Estonia—UPF held its third webinar about life and culture on the Korean Peninsula.

Israel Holds First Rally of Hope



Jerusalem, Israel—Contributions of medical professionals and others during the COVID pandemic were recognized.

Religious Minorities Join in Quest for Respect



Geneva, Switzerland—A UPF webinar discussed how minority faiths can promote the benefits they bring to society.

<u>UPF-Moscow Joins in Local Recycling Project</u>



Lyubertsy, Russia—UPF of Moscow took an active part in a campaign to recycle electronics.

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