Draft Programme: Human Rights - Protection of the Unempowered and the Dispossessed

Robin Marsh June 4, 2012 Houses of Parliament and Royal National Hotel, Russell Square, London



Draft Programme: 14-16 June 2012

Thursday, 14th June 2012

From 14:00 Arrivals and Registration for international guests Royal National Hotel, Russell Square, Bedford Way London WC1H 0DG

Friday, 15th June 2012

07:00 Breakfast at the Royal National Hotel08:00 Depart for the Parliament by chartered bus from the Hotel (hotel guests only)08:45 Parliamentary security check and registration for day guests09:15 SESSION I: Committee Room 14 House of Commons

Human Rights and Human Security Chair: Mrs. Carolyn Handschin-Moser, President WFWPI- Europe

Welcoming Remarks: **Rt. Hon. Tom Brake MP** and **Lord King of West Bromwich**, Patron, UPF UK and UPF Int. Pres. Council

Speakers:

Prof. Akiko Yamanaka, Deputy Foreign Minister of Japan (2005-2006)

Prof. Siddharth Saxena, Chair of the Cambridge Central Asia Forum

Baroness Sandip Verma, UK Government Spokesperson for Business, Innovation and Skills, Women and Equalities

Dr. Yong Cheon Song, Chair UPF Europe

10:45 Break

11:15 SESSION II: Concurrent Session A - Committee Room 14 House of Commons Religious Freedom: Religious Minorities, Majorities and the State

Chair: Rev. Dr. Marcus Braybrooke, President of World Congress of Faiths

Speakers:

Mr. Willy Fautre: Director, Human Rights Without Frontiers International

Imam Dr. Abduljalil Sajid JP, Chairman Task-force European year of Inter-cultural Dialogue, President Religions for Peace UK

Mrs. Katharina Grieb, President of the International Society for Human Rights, Austria

Sheikh Rahman, Ahmadiyya Muslim Community

SESSION II: Concurrent Session B – Committee Room 4a House of Lords Human Rights, Torture and Sexual Violence

Chair: Lord Tarsem King of West Bromwich and Margaret Ali, Director UPF – UK

Speakers: Mr. Keith Best, Chief Executive, Freedom from Torture

Charlotte Simon Bongumba, Trustee, TG Foundation Supporting Rape Victims In Congo (DRC)

Dr Antonio Stango, SG Helsinki Comm. For Human Rights& UPF's Global Peace Council

12:30 Lunch

14:00 SESSION III: Concurrent Session A - Committee Room 14 House of Commons

<u>Youth Unemployment a Threat to Dignity</u> Chair: Adam Nazar, VIP Minds UK and UPF Youth Committee

Speakers:

Ms. Kanchan Jadeja, Chair National Council for Voluntary Youth Services UK

Ms. Maja Micic, Director Youth Initiative for Human Rights, Serbia

Ms. Carly Ward, Founder and CEO Young Entrepreneur Society

Mr. Keldon Alleyne, Youth A.I.D. Lewisham and UPF Youth Committee

Mr. Matthew Huish, Youth UPF UK

SESSION III: Concurrent Session B - Committee Room 4a House of Lords Europe's Role in Global Human Rights Issues

Chair: Mr. Robin Marsh, Secretary General UPF-UK

Speakers:

Professor Dr. Maurits S. Berger, Chair of Islam in the Contemporary West at the Institute for Religious Studies at Leiden University, Senior Research Associate with the Clingendael Institute for International Relations in The Hague

Dr. Boutros Boutros-Ghali, United Nations Secretary General (1992-1996)

Represented by his P.A. Ms. Sonia Ramzi, former Head of Promotion for Cultural Heritage UNESCO

Ms. Saoussen Ben Cheikh, Head of Mission Assistant for Doctors without Borders in Yemen

15:15 Break

15:45 SESSION IV: Committee Room 14 House of Commons **Women's Empowerment and Human Rights**

Chair: Mrs. Mitty Tohma, President, Women's Federation for World Peace UK

Speakers:

Lady Fiona Hodgson CBE, Honorary Vice President Conservative Women's Organisation, President of the National Conservative Convention

Dr. Krishna Ahoojapatel, President of the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF), Chair Displaced Women Committee, UN Geneva

Ms. Aisha Abdul Latif, Consultant for Office of the Immigration Services Commissioner (OISC)

Mrs. Carolyn Handschin, President, WFWPI- Europe

17:15 Group photo in Westminster Hall – Hotel guest leave for Evening Venue by chartered Bus

18:30 Dinner and Cultural Programme for International Participants - 43 Lancaster Gate, London, W2 3NA

21:00 Close (Chartered Buses to Royal National Hotel, Russell Square for Hotel guests)

Saturday, 16th June 2012 - Royal National Hotel, Russell Square

07:00 Breakfast at the hotel

08:30 SESSION V: Royal National Hotel

Concurrent Session A - Human Rights Education and Religious Freedom Issues

Chair: Mr. Heiner Handschin, Secretary General UPF Europe 2

Speakers:

Mr. Peter Zoehrer, FOREF Austria

Mrs. Katharina Grieb, President of the International Society for Human Rights Austria

Concurrent Session B - Human Rights Education and Gender Equality

Chair: Mrs. Louise Rawlence

Speakers:

Ms. Manuela Mesa Peinado, Director Center for Education and Research for Peace (CEIPAZ) within the Foundation for a Culture of Peace, Pres. Spanish Association for the Research of Peace (AIPAZ)

Mrs. Martina Coombs, Adviser WFWPI- Europe

09:45 Break

10:00 SESSION VI: Royal National Hotel

Concurrent Session A - Human Rights in a Multicultural Society

Chair: Mr. Jonathan Fryer

Speakers:

Dr. Amiira Neff, Director Terre des Femmes, Switzerland, integration expert.

Ms. Madi Sharma, UK Representative, European Economic and Social Council: Domestic Violence

Concurrent Session B - Human Rights and Global Citizenship

Chair: Mrs. Margaret Ali, Director UPF – United Kingdom

Speakers:

Sheikh Dr. Hojjat Ramzy, Chair of Education Committee, Muslim Council of Britain

Mr. Bogdan Pammer, European UPF Youth Director

11:10 Coffee Break

11:30 World Café Round-Table Discussions

A wonderful opportunity for participants to interact and discuss

12:30 Lunch: Royal National Hotel

14:00 SESSION VII: Royal National Hotel

Chair: Mrs. Cecilie Fortune

Human Value and Dignity

Mr. Jack Corley, Chair UPF United Kingdom

Commentator: Dr. Antonio Stango, Sec. Gen. Helsinki Comm. for Human Rights, Italy & UPF's Global Peace Council

As a Peace Loving Global Citizen - an insight into UPF's Origins and Founders

Mr. Timothy Miller, Vice-Chair UPF Europe

15:30 Break

16:00 SESSION VIII: Royal National Hotel

Vision, Projects and Recent Activities

Chair: Mr. Robin Marsh, Secretary General UPF United Kingdom

Mrs. Taeko Duckworth Vice-President WFWP United Kingdom

Mr. Mark Brann, Secretary General UPF Europe

Ambassador for Peace Awards and Participant Reflections

17:30 Departures for most participants

June 17th Youth Training Day: 'Real Rights: Let's Make Dignity A Reality' Royal National Hotel

The Youth Training Day is an additional day to the ELC targeted at young conference participants (age 18-27) to develop their own ideas and their capacity to run initiatives. The Youth Training Day will feature trainings on human rights education, a project management workshop, leadership training and success stories.

Schedule

10:00 Opening Registration

10:30 Session 1 – Welcome & Ice Breaker

11:00 Session 2 – Best Practices from around the World

- 1) Youth Initiative For Human Rights Maja Micic
- 2) Restless Beings Zeenat Islam
- 3) Islamic Relief Lotifa Begum
- 12:00 Break

12:15 Session 3 – Leadership and 'Being the Change'

Interactive workshop based on UPF Peace Principles

Bogdan Pammer, Youth Director UPF Europe

13:00 Lunch Break

14:00 Session 4 - Education for Human Rights and Human Dignity

- Interactive Workshop on Human Rights Education
- Ilaria Esposito Advisory Council on Youth to the Council of Europe, Human

Rights Education Trainer

14:45 Break

- 15:00 Session 5 Workshop: Project Management
- VIP Minds Adam Nazar and Shabnam Khan

15:45 Break

16:00 Session 6 – Workshop: Funding

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& Wrap Up

17:00 Good Bye