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THE 5TH GLOBAL PEACE SUMMIT
A WORLD TOGETHER

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IN PURSUIT OF PEACE

In a world where headlines often shout of war, corruption, genocide, and dehumanisation, it's easy to feel overwhelmed by the worst of humanity. The news cycle feeds us a relentless buffet of conflict and horror, leaving our hearts heavy and our spirits drained. But amidst this negativity, it's crucial to remember the beacon that can guide us through peace.

Peace is not just a concept but a lifeblood that nourishes our ability to see beyond the turmoil. It's the beacon of hope for a future where no innocent lives are lost to senseless violence. It's the force that empowers us to recognise the inherent value in every person, fostering compassion and understanding. Peace provides the strength to raise our voices for the oppressed, engage in dialogue with the oppressors, and build bridges between divided communities. The inspiration it brings drives us to use our platforms for meaningful, lasting change that benefits humanity, filling our hearts with hope and optimism.



EMPOWERING TOMORROW'S PEACE ADVOCATES

A WORLD TOGETHER

We all feel the call to make a difference, to stand up for the marginalised, and to create a positive impact in the world. At Humanitarian Affairs Asia, we are committed to empowering you, the next generation of Peace Advocates. Your role is integral to the peace movement, and we deeply value your contributions.

The 5th Annual Global Peace Summit at the United Nations Conference Centre in Bangkok, Thailand, is not merely an event but a transformative journey that can reaffirm the importance of your contributions. It is a global platform where each challenge presents an opportunity for revolutionary solutions. We firmly believe that young leaders from around the world can meet these challenges head-on. During the summit, you'll have the opportunity to hear from activists who have made a global impact, and you'll join 400 fellow delegates, forming a network of support and inspiration.

To change the world, we must work together. At Humanitarian Affairs, we understand that while you alone can achieve much, we can achieve so much more together. Embrace the light of peace, and let it guide your efforts to make a lasting, positive impact on our world. Your participation is a testament to your role in this collective effort where every voice matters.



JOIN THE GLOBAL PEACE MOVEMENT

BECOME A DELEGATE AT THE 5TH GLOBAL PEACE SUMMIT

Are you passionate about making a difference in the world? Do you dream of being a leader in the movement for global peace? Apply now to be a delegate at the 5th Global Peace Summit, held at the United Nations Conference Centre in Bangkok from January 21 to 23, 2026. This is an unparalleled opportunity for young peacebuilders to connect, learn, and inspire.

Each year, the most outstanding delegates are selected to represent their institutions, joining a community of like-minded individuals dedicated to fostering peace. You'll gain invaluable resources and experience, empowering you to develop impactful peace initiatives in your communities.

Don't miss this chance to transform your passion into action. As a delegate, you will abandon your fears, embrace your potential, and confidently serve as an Ambassador for Peace. Engage with global leaders, participate in dynamic workshops, and bring peace to the forefront of your awareness.

Apply now and be part of a generation that leads with compassion and courage. The deadline for applications is approaching fast - seize this life-changing opportunity today!



WHY YOU MUST ATTEND

Be inspired to make an impact through the life-changing journey of the 5th Global Peace Summit! This transformative summit is designed to help you absorb the passion for peacemaking, augment your natural skill sets, and give you the aspiration to champion justice, give a voice to the voiceless, take action for a positive global impact, and unlock your potential to become the change-maker you were meant to be.

Absorb

Connect and collaborate with global peace advocates spanning the globe.

Gain insightful knowledge through the voices of survivors, activists, and humanitarians, broadening your perspective and enriching your understanding.

Augment

Grasp a deeper understanding of the realities of global conflicts and the world's challenges.

Refine your view of what you are capable of as a peace advocate.

Discover your definition of world peace and ignite a purpose, vision, and goal for achieving it.

Aspire

Be empowered to pursue a journey as a trailblazing young leader.

Light the spark of inspiration in others through your actions and commitment.

Elevate your global and communal impact as a distinguished Ambassador of Peace with Humanitarian Affairs.



BECOME AN AMBASSADOR OF PEACE

The 5th Global Peace Summit, held at the United Nations Conference Centre in Bangkok, Thailand, is your gateway to equipping yourself with the tools and wisdom needed to champion a more peaceful world. You embark on a distinctive journey by embracing the role of a dedicated Peace Ambassador with Humanitarian Affairs, which is exclusively extended to summit delegates.

This voluntary role extends for a year and is driven by your initiative, empowering you to lead peace-promoting endeavours within your community. Delve into poignant narratives shared by speakers, experts, and activists, extracting invaluable insights. Engage in immersive workshops and thought-provoking challenges while forging connections with kindred spirits.

As you depart to prepare for your year of advocacy, you'll carry the flame of empowerment ignited by the summit, ready to manifest impactful change. Remember, your journey doesn't end here – you'll pave the path for fellow youth, becoming a beacon of peace in action.

RENOWNED SPEAKERS



A BLUEPRINT FOR PEACEBUILDING

Patricia Shafer is a dynamic force in the global peacebuilding movement, serving as Executive Director for *NewGen Peacebuilders* and Senior Fellow for PeaceEducation at Washington. With a strong foundation in education and youth development, Patricia has dedicated her career to transforming peacebuilding from an abstract concept into a practical, action-driven process. She believes that peace doesn't happen by accident - it is intentionally built through empathy, inclusion, and courageous leadership.

Through her work, thousands of young people across the U.S. and around the world have participated in immersive peace education experiences. These programs equip them with essential skills in conflict resolution, project design, and civic engagement, allowing them to implement real-world solutions that make their communities stronger and more united.

Patricia's approach is clear and compelling: when youth are trusted with the tools to lead, they become powerful agents of change. Her leadership has inspired a generation of young peacebuilders to believe in their ability to make a difference, not someday, but now.

A Blueprint for Peacebuilding, Patricia shares her vision of a future shaped by youth-led action—where peace is not merely a hope, but a daily habit. Her message is simple yet profound: peace is possible, and it starts with the next generation.



ACROSS RED LINES

In times of war, survival often overshadows everything, including personal rights. For Dr. Manal Omar, this stark reality sparked a call to action. As a humanitarian and human rights activist, Dr Omar stands as a beacon of hope for women in conflict zones. Through her organization, Across Red Lines, she creates safe spaces for Muslim women to explore their leadership and inner strength.

Dr Omar's journey began in the tumultuous regions of Iraq, North Africa, and Iran. Her work with the United States Institute of Peace exposed her to the profound struggles faced by women in these areas, where women's rights, civil society, and identity were under constant threat. Inspired by these experiences, she began writing about the lives of aid workers and the fight for women's rights, with her stories featured in major publications such as the LA Times and BBC.

Named among the Top 500 World's Most Influential Arabs by Arabian Business in 2011 and 2012, Dr Omar's impact extends far beyond accolades. Through Across Red Lines, she empowers Muslim women to harness their strength and drive change, even in the most challenging circumstances, embodying resilience and the transformative power of advocacy for human rights.



UNIMAGINABLE HORROR

At just 12 years old, Antoinette Mutabazi faced unimaginable horror: finding her six-year-old brother wounded and pleading for water. During the 100 days of terror that followed, she lost her mother, two young brothers, and dozens of relatives, all murdered because they were different. Antoinette is a child survivor of the Rwandan Genocide, where the Hutus targeted the Tutsis in a horrific wave of violence. As a young girl, she dreamed of becoming a doctor. However, the eruption of conflict left her wishing to be anything but human, overwhelmed by the brutality she witnessed.

Despite the deep scars of her past, Antoinette has emerged as a powerful advocate for forgiveness and peace. She courageously shares her story, no matter how painful, to raise awareness about the struggles of refugees and asylum seekers. Her voice has become a beacon of hope, emphasising the power of forgiveness as a path to healing and reconciliation.

Today, Antoinette Mutabazi is actively engaged with Youth With A Mission, dedicating her life to fostering peace and understanding. Her journey from a young survivor to a vocal advocate is a testament to the resilience of the human spirit. Through her advocacy, Antoinette inspires others to seek forgiveness and build a world where compassion triumphs over hatred.



SCARS OF CONFLICT

Lejla Damon always knew she was different. Born under the darkest circumstances, her birth mother, a Bosnian Muslim, was raped in a concentration camp during the Bosnian Genocide. At just nine days old, Lejla was smuggled out of Bosnia by her adoptive parents and brought to the UK. Growing up, she struggled with her complex identity and fitting in with her British classmates.

As a child of war's sexualized violence, Lejla carries a legacy of pain but also a burning passion for justice. This unique history drives her powerful advocacy against sexualized violence as a weapon of war, which she sees as a deliberate strategy to destroy communities and act as an instrument of genocide.

Lejla has transformed her pain into a platform for advocacy. She shares her story to fight against violence and highlight the horrors of sexualized violence in conflict. Her tireless efforts have earned her numerous accolades, including the prestigious Point of Light award, recognizing her significant contribution to raising awareness and fostering change.

In her role with the Youth Engagement Panel for War Child, Lejla provides invaluable perspectives as someone born out of conflict, shaping the organization's mission to support children affected by war. She also advocates for "Remembering Srebrenica," a UK-based organization dedicated to commemorating the 1995 Bosnian Genocide and combating discrimination, hatred, and extremism.

Lejla's journey from a survivor of unspeakable violence to a beacon of hope and resilience is profoundly inspiring. Her story demonstrates the strength of the human spirit and the power of advocacy. Through her unwavering dedication, Lejla Damon continues to shine a light on the impact of sexualized violence in war, inspiring others to fight for a world where such atrocities are no longer tolerated.



A LIFELINE OF COMPASSION

The possibility of saving 10,000 children from the Holocaust became a reality because of the courageous activism of British volunteers orchestrating the Kindertransport from Vienna to Britain. One of those saved children was Jennifer Nadel's grandfather. Her life is a testament to the enduring power of compassion and its ability to shape generations.

Jennifer Nadel began in the legal realm, working as a barrister and lawyer. However, her passion for truth and justice led her to journalism, where she made a significant impact working for the BBC, Channel Four News, and ITN. As an award-winning journalist, international speaker, and bestselling author, Jennifer has used her voice to advocate for change. Her book, "WE: A Manifesto for Women Everywhere," co-written with Gillian Anderson, became a Sunday Times Bestseller, offering a roadmap for inner transformation and outer change.

Currently, Jennifer leads "Compassion in Politics," a pioneering UK think tank with 100 Members of Parliament as affiliates, striving to infuse political systems with compassion and empathy. In addition to this role, she serves as the Executive Chair of the Global Compassion Coalition, dedicated to building a world where compassion is at the core of all actions and decisions.

Jennifer Nadel's life work underscores the profound impact of compassion in shaping a better world. From her grandfather's survival to her tireless efforts in journalism and activism, she exemplifies how compassionate leadership can drive significant social change. Her story inspires us, reminding us we can create a more just and loving world with empathy and action.



ECHOES OF SURVIVAL

Born into a time of immense turmoil, Var Ashe Houston is a survivor of one of the darkest chapters in modern history — the Cambodian genocide. During the brutal regime of the Khmer Rouge from 1975 to 1979, nearly two million lives were lost to starvation, forced labour, and mass executions. Var, then a young girl, endured unimaginable suffering — losing family members, facing forced displacement, and witnessing the collapse of her homeland.

Yet, from the shadows of this atrocity, she emerged not only as a survivor but as a voice for the voiceless. Her story is not one of despair, but of resilience, courage, and hope. Determined to transform her pain into purpose, Var has since dedicated her life to advocating for human rights, education, and justice, reminding the world of the cost of silence and the power of compassion.

Today, she stands as a testament to the human spirit's ability to heal, rise, and rebuild. Through sharing her story, Var ensures that the memory of those lost lives lives on and that history never forgets.



A LIGHT IN THE DARKNESS OF WAR

In the heart of the Ukraine war, where destruction and despair often reign, Ruben Mawick stands as a powerful symbol of hope. As a volunteer medic, he chose not to turn away from suffering, but to run toward it — armed not with weapons, but with compassion, courage, and the will to heal.

Leaving the safety of his home, Ruben stepped into a warzone to provide lifesaving care to both soldiers and civilians. Amidst shattered buildings and frontline trauma, he brings more than just medical aid — he brings dignity, comfort, and the human touch that reminds others they are not alone.

Ruben's work is not just about treating wounds but about restoring faith in humanity. He listens to stories the world forgets, holds hands in moments of fear, and offers hope when it seems lost. In every act of service, he proves that kindness and resilience can thrive even in the face of unimaginable hardship.

His courage has saved lives, but his spirit has done something even greater. It has inspired others to care, to act, and to believe in the power of one person to make a difference.

Today, we recognise Ruben Mawick not only for his medical service, but for the light he carries into the darkest of places — a true testament to the enduring strength of the human heart.



COMBATANTS FOR PEACE

In a region long defined by conflict and division, Sulaiman Khatib and Chen Alon stand as living proof that reconciliation is possible - even among former enemies. As leaders of Combatants for Peace, a joint Israeli-Palestinian movement founded by individuals who once took up arms, Sulaiman and Chen have transformed their journeys from violence into a shared commitment to nonviolence, dialogue, and justice.

Sulaiman, a Palestinian who spent a decade in prison for resisting the occupation, and Chen, a former Israeli army officer, each made the courageous decision to reject hatred and revenge. Instead, they chose to listen to one another's pain, to one another's stories, and the possibility of peace built on mutual recognition and respect.

Together, they now lead a movement that unites people from both sides of the conflict in acts of solidarity, protest, and education. Through Combatants for Peace, they challenge systems of oppression, confront fear, and build bridges where walls have long existed - not only physical walls, but psychological and emotional ones.

Their story is not one of idealism, but of real, hard-earned hope. It is a call to see beyond borders, to confront injustice with empathy, and to understand that peace is not a dream - it is a choice made every day, often against the odds.



WHO CAN BECOME A DELEGATE

We invite exceptional youth leaders aged 18 to 35 who embody the following qualities to participate in the 5th Global Peace Summit.

- **Leadership Potential**

Candidates should exhibit strong leadership skills and a willingness to serve.

- **Passion for Peace and Social Change**

Candidates should commit to peace, social change, and current global issues.

- **Open-Mindedness**

Candidates should appreciate diverse perspectives and value individuals with different backgrounds, interests, and ambitions.

- **Respect and Consideration**

Candidates should show genuine respect for others and a strong desire to contribute to societal betterment.

- **Motivation to Serve**

Candidates should be driven to serve as a Humanitarian Affairs Peace Ambassador for one year, promoting peace and positive change.



WHAT DOES THE REGISTRATION FEE COVER

The early bird fee of USD 1,100 + 7% VAT (tax) includes:

- 4-night Accommodation on a sharing basis
- Local Transportation from the hotel to the UN Conference Centre.
- Meals include four breakfasts, three lunches, and five Coffee Breaks
- An Enriching Interactive Experience
- Inspiring Guest Lecturers
- Knowledge-based Plenary Discussions
- An Electronic Certificate of Participation
- Networking Opportunities

Please note that the discounted early bird fee ends on **October 23, 2025**.

Learn More

Please click the links below to watch the video, read the report, or learn more about the 2026 Global Peace Summit at the UN Conference Centre, Bangkok.

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