

BOSSEY CONSULTATION: Agenda and programme

Day and time	Subjects
<u>First day</u> Tuesday 8 17:00-19:00 Dinner 20:00-21:30	Arrival. A. <u>Opening session</u> : + Welcome speeches by the hosts: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rev Dr. Samuel Kobia, Secretary General, WCC. • Ms. Renate Bloem, former President, CONGO. + Introducing each other as well as the institutions that the participants are related to. + Presenting and agreeing on the agenda B. <u>Propitious and challenging times for interreligious dialogue and cooperation for peace: An overview.</u> (1) The interfaith movement (2) Recent trends at the United Nations Introduction by Dr. John Taylor and discussion
<u>Second day</u> Wednesday 9 (first session) 09:00-10:30 Coffee Break (second session) 11:00: 12:30 Lunch	C. <u>How a UN Decade of Interreligious Dialogue and Cooperation for Peace (IDCP) can facilitate, strengthen and enlarge the scope of what is already being done in this field?</u> (1) Learning from other UN decades. Introduction and discussion (2) Visioning an agenda for the Decade: Looking at the main themes of the UN agenda where IDCP can contribute, such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Human Rights • MDGs • Dialogue among civilizations • Culture of peace Introduction. Working groups. General discussion
<u>Second day</u> Afternoon and evening sessions	D. <u>Discussing and agreeing on main features of a Decade of IDCP:</u> (1) The partners: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The role of the civil society organizations • The role of member states • The role of the UN agencies and bodies. (2) The functions of a Decade (3) A UN Agency Leader
<u>Third day</u> Thursday 10 Morning	(4) An institutional mechanism to facilitate the implementation of the DECADE
Afternoon	E. <u>Agreeing on a shared strategy to move the initiative forward</u> (1) Strengthening political support from member states (2) Widening the support and commitment from civil society faith-based organizations and religious communities. (3) Finding an appropriate niche and agency leader within the UN (4) Time frame and process: Who will do what, how and when.
Evening	F. <u>Drafting</u> a consensual proposal for the DECADE

<u>Fourth day</u> Friday 11 Morning 12:30 Afternoon	G. <u>Presentation, discussion and approval of the new draft proposal</u> , including a work plan H. <u>Closing session</u> : Constitution of the Provisional Steering Committee and launching of the DECADE Initiative <u>Closing lunch</u> <u>Departure</u>
---	--