

Participants at the Bossey Consultation

The following persons attended the Bossey Consultation - held at the Bossey Ecumenical Institute, Geneva, Switzerland, on 8-11 January 2008.

Host Organizations

- + The World Council of Churches: Reverend Doctor Samuel Kobia, General Secretary. Geneva.
- + The Conference of NGOs in Consultative Relationship with the United Nations (CONGO): Ms. Renate Bloem, former president. Geneva.

Representatives of Member States

- + CHILE. Minister Alejandro Rogers, Deputy Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of Chile to the United Nations Office at Geneva.
- + ITALY. Dott. Roberto Vellano, First Councillor, Permanent Mission of Italy to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva.
- + KAZAKHSTAN. Mr. Berik Aryn and Mr. Gabit Syzdykbekov, Senate of the Parliament of the Republic. Astana.
- + PHILIPPINES. Her Excellency Ambadress Erlinda F. Basilio, Permanent Representative to the United Nations and other International Organizations, Permanent Mission of the Republic of the Philippines.
- + ROMANIA. His Excellency Ambassador Doru Costea, Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of Romania in Geneva.
- + RUSSIAN FEDERATION. Mr. Nikolai Lozinskiy, Senior Counselor, Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation to the United Nations and other international Organizations in Geneva.

Participants representing the UN Secretariat and United Nations agencies

DESA – Department for Economic and Social Affairs, United Nations Secretariat. Mr Sergei Kambalov, Chief, ECOSOC and Inter-organizational Cooperation Branch. New York.

ILO – International Labour Office Father Dominic Peccoud s.j., Special Counselor, Office of Foreign Relations and Partnership. Geneva.

OHCHR – Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights. Michael Wiener, Associate Human Rights Officer, Special Procedures Branch. Geneva.

UNDP – United Nations Development Fund. Cecile Molinier, Director UNDP Office in Geneva.

UNHCR – United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees. Bernard Doyle, Head NGO Liaison Unit.

Participants representing interfaith and faith-based organizations of the civil society

Interfaith organizations

- + Trevor Davies, President, CONGO's Committee on Spirituality, Values and Global Concerns (Geneva) – CSVGC. Geneva.
- + Reverend Dirk Ficca, Executive Director, The Council for the Parliament of World's Religions. Chicago, USA.
- + Reverend Charles Gibbs, Executive Director, United Religions Initiative (URI). San Francisco, USA.
- + Dr. Charles Graves, Secretary General, Interfaith International, Geneva.

- + Sister Joan Kirby, Representative of the Temple of Understanding to the UN and President, Committee of Religious NGOs at the United Nations. New York.
- + Deepak Naik, Secretary General, Minorities of Europe, Coventry, U.K.
- + Dr. John Taylor, Representative in Geneva, International Association for Religious Freedom - IARF. Geneva.
- + Stein Villumstad, Deputy Secretary-General, World Conference on Religions for Peace – WCRP, New York.
- + Monica Willard (adviser), representative of URI at the United Nations. New York.

Bahá'í Faith

- + Susan Hansen, Special Representative of the Baha'i International Community. Geneva.

Buddhism

- + Yasutomo Sawahata, Representative of Rissho Kosei-kai in Geneva.

Christian churches

- + Reverend Chris Ferguson, Director, World Council of Churches Office in New York.
- + Christina Lee, Director, Interreligious Dialogue, FOCOLARI Movement. Rome.
- + Alberto Quattrucci, Director, Interreligious Dialogue, Saint Egidio Community, Rome.
- + Father Gearóid Francisco Ó Conaire OFM, Executive Secretary, Commission for Justice, Peace and Integrity of Creation (JPIC) of the Union of Superiors General of Men (USG) and Woman (UISG) Religious of the Roman Catholic Church. Rome.
- + Rev. Dr. Setri Nyomi, General Secretary of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches (WARC). Geneva.
- + Teny A. Pirri-Simonian, Armenian Orthodox Church, Geneva.
- + Reverend Shanta Premawardhana, Director Interreligious Dialogue and Cooperation Programme, World Council of Churches, Geneva.
- + Peter N. Prove, Office for International Affaires and Human Rights, Lutheran World Federation. Geneva.
- + Matthew J.O. Scott, World Vision International's Peacebuilding and Reconciliation group. Former World Vision's representative to the United Nations in New York. Alexandria, VA, U.S.A.
- + Archbishop Silvano M. Tomasi O.S., Permanent Observer of the Holy See upon the International Organizations in Geneva.
- + Gary Vachicouras, Th.D., Institute of Postgraduate Studies in Orthodox Theology at the Orthodox Centre of the Ecumenical Patriarchate. He represents His Eminence Metropolitan Emmanuel de France, Director of the Office of Interreligious and Intercultural Relations of the Ecumenical Patriarchate. Geneva

Hinduism

- + Swami Agnivesh, President of World Council of Arya Samaj. India.

Islam

- + Baker Al-Hiyari, Deputy Director, Royal Institute for Interfaith Studies. Amman, Jordan.
- + H.E. Sayyed Mohammed Musawi, President, The World Islamic League; President, Interfaith International. London. U.K.

Judaism

- + Dr. Yehuda Stolov, Executive Director, Interfaith Encounter Association (IEA). Interfaith organization in Jerusalem.

Sikhism

- + Deva Kaur, Representative of Sikh Dharma International and 3HO Foundation in Geneva.

Spiritual University Brama Kumaris

- + Valeriane Bernard, Representative in Geneva.

Secretariat of the Consultation

- + Dr. Gerardo Gonzalez, Coordinator of the Consultation, Director of Project “*Towards the creation of a spiritual forum for world peace at the United Nations*”. Santiago, Chile.
- + Isthara Adler, Representative to the UN of the Lama Gangchen World Peace Foundation, Albagnano, Italy.
- + Elly Pradervand, Executive Director, Women’s World Summit (WWSF). Geneva.
- + Astrid Stückelberger, Secretary, Geneva Spiritual Appeal Group. Geneva.