

Global Women's Peace Network

22nd Annual Women's Leadership Conference

"Pathways to Peace and Development through Women's Initiatives"

Tirana, Albania

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Program

Friday, October 24th (Arrivals all day)

15:00 - 18:30 — WFWP Conference Registration

19:30 - 22:00 — Opening Banquet

Welcome Greetings

Moderator: Katerina Minolari, WFWP President, Albania

Ms. Mitty Tohma, WFWP Europe and Middle East President, UK

Ms. Senida Mesi, Former Deputy Prime Minister, Albania

Ms. Moriko Hori, WFWP International President, Japan

Musical Performance Ms. Shqipe Zani

Saturday, October 25th

06:30 - 07:00 — Meditation Ms. Rosaleen Bloomsfield, Transformational Coach and

Trainer, UK

07:15 - 08:30 — Breakfast

08:45 - 10:45 **Session I**

a. Fostering Responsible Leadership through Education for a Peaceful Future

Exploring values-based leadership rooted in character, compassion, and moral clarity to bridge divides and heal wounds.

Moderator: Ms. Britta Houston, WFWP President, Sweden

Speakers:

Dr. Aicha Bacha, European Center for Development and Geostrategic

Studies and Analysis President, Belgium

Ms. Klajda Gjosha, Senior Expert on Leadership, Good Governance and EU Accession Process, Albania

Ms. Nada Harward, Honorary Consul, Bath Spa University, Associate Lecturer, Lebanon

Ms. Olga Vakulinskaya, WFWP President, Russia O&A

b. Technology and Women's Empowerment

Highlighting women's roles as innovators and leaders in the digital age, addressing challenges and achievements in tech fields.

Moderator: Ms. Stella Harris, Technology & Governance Professional, UK Speakers:

Ms. María Jesús Cañellas, Journalist, Spanish TV Producer and Director, Spain

Mr. Gabor Vasmatics, IT Professional, Software Developer, Albania

Ms. Elsa Rrustaj, Software Developer, Graduate Program Associate at Vodafone, Albania

Ms. Mandeep Kaur Sanghera OBE, Award winning Philanthropist, UK Q&A

10:45 - 11:15 — Coffee Break

11:15 - 12:45 **Session II**

The Roots of Harmony through Interfaith Dialogue

Sharing about religious harmony and lessons for peacebuilding through interfaith initiatives.

Moderator: Ms. Marcia de Abreu, WFWP President, Spain Speakers:

Ms. Tirzi Martin, Author, Senior Adviser WFWP, France

Ms. Fatma Karaj, Head of Women's Office Muslim Community, Albania

Ms. Majlinda Laçaj, Director of Historical Museum, Shkodra, Albania

Ms. Moriko Hori, WFWP International President, Japan Q&A

13:00 – Lunch

14:00 - 16:30 - Free Time

17:00 - 18:30 **Session III**

a. Women Supporting Each Other - Inspiring Journeys and Projects

Celebrating women's successes across various fields and the importance of support networks.

Moderator: Ms. Kefilwe Lebepe, WFWPI Young Professionals, Germany Speakers:

Ms. Anelli Jäätteenmäki, Former Prime Minister, Finland Ms Rahela Sidiqui, Founder Rahela Trust and Omid International, Afghanistan Ms. Anila Prethi, Journalist & Founder of EchoPodcasts, WFWP Repres., Albania Q&A

b. Bridge of Peace Ceremony

Participate in the signature WFWP initiative promoting reconciliation and healing through trust and understanding.

Moderator & Speaker: Ms. Brigitte Wada, WFWP President, France Ceremony of Bridge of Peace (three couples)

19:30 - 20:45 — **Dinner** 20:45 - 22:00 — **Cultural Evening** MC: Alfred and Nikki Gjeloshgjokaj

Sunday, October 26th

06:30 - 07:00 — Meditation Ms. Monika Waldenmaier, Energy Healer and Coach, Germany

07:15 - 08:30 - Breakfast

09:00 - 10:30 Session IV

a. Climate Action and Environmental Sustainability

Promoting grassroots initiatives for sustainable living and environmental resilience.

Moderator: Julia Wang, WFWPI Young Professionals, Austria Speakers:

Ms. Barbora Mejzlikova, Climate and Human Rights Amb. Allatra IPM, Czechia Katerina Minolari, WFWP President, Albania

Prof. Mihallaq Qirjo, Director of Resource Environmental Center, Albania Ms. Merly Barlaan, UN Office WFWP, Founder of Permaculture Project, USA

Q&A

b. Health and Well-being

Practical insights into holistic self-care for physical, mental, and emotional health

Moderator: Ms. Amanda Toumanguelov, WFWP President, Ireland

Speakers:

Dr. Tetiana Zinchenko, CoFounder and Director Intl. Alliance Climate Crisis &

Mental Health, Latvia

Ms. Isabel Costa, Naturopath, Portugal

Dr. Dieter Schmidt, Doctor of Medicine, Germany

Q&A

10:30 - 11:00 — Coffee Break & Check-out Preparation

11:00 - 12:00 **Session V** — Awards and Closing Session

Moderator: Ms. Manjola Vasmatics, WFWP Board Member, Albania

Agenda:

Global Women Peace Ambassador Awards

Closing Remarks by Ms. Mitty Tohma, WFWP Europe and Middle East President Official Group Photo

12:00 - Check-out

13:00 — Lunch and Departures

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