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PRESENTS

THE 6TH 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

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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 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 6TH 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 6th Global Peace Summit, held at the United Nations Conference Centre in Bangkok from January 20 to 22, 2027. 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 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 6th 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



Ambassador Sichan Siv

**Former United States Ambassador to the United Nations
Survivor of the Cambodian Genocide**

Born in Cambodia, Sichan grew up in a country rich in culture and promise. But when the Khmer Rouge seized power, his world was torn apart. Millions perished during one of the twentieth century's deadliest genocides. Forced into labour camps, sentenced to death twice, and stripped of everything he held dear, Sichan watched his homeland descend into unimaginable darkness. By the time he escaped to Thailand in 1976, he was the sole survivor of his family of fifteen. He carried with him only his mother's scarf, an empty rice bag, two dollars—and one priceless gift from his mother: "Never give up hope."

Arriving in the United States as a refugee, Sichan's future was uncertain. He picked apples in Connecticut, flipped hamburgers, drove a taxi in New York, and refused to let hardship define his destiny. Guided by perseverance and an unshakable belief in the power of education, he earned a full scholarship to Columbia University, where he completed a Master's degree in International Affairs. Just thirteen years after arriving in America with almost nothing, he became the first Cambodian American to serve in the White House as Deputy Assistant to President George H. W. Bush. In 2001, he was unanimously confirmed by the United States Senate as the 28th United States Ambassador to the United Nations Economic and Social Council, representing his adopted nation on the global stage.

Yet despite the remarkable positions he has held, Sichan believes his greatest achievement is not the titles he earned, but the hope he refused to surrender.



Professor Jiang Liangqin

School of History, Nanjing University

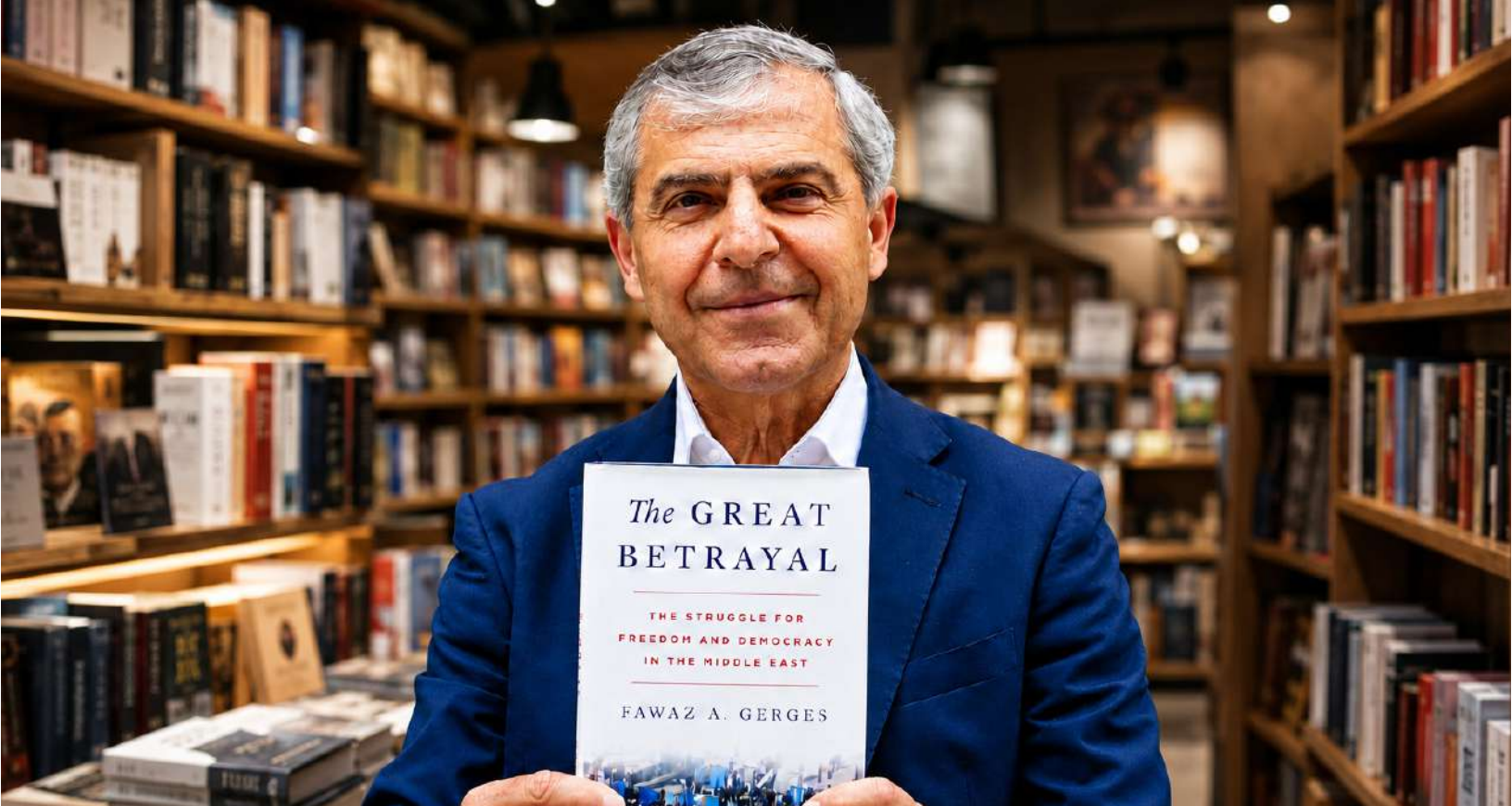
Executive Director, Centre for the History of the Republic of China

Vice President, Chinese Association of Modern History

An internationally respected historian at Nanjing University, Professor Jiang is one of China's leading authorities on modern Chinese history, the history of the Republic of China, the War of Resistance against Japanese Aggression, and the Nanjing Massacre. Through decades of meticulous scholarship, she has sought not only to document the past with academic integrity but also to ensure that the lessons of history continue to inspire dialogue, reconciliation, and a shared commitment to peace.

Recognised as one of China's "New Century Excellent Talents" by the Ministry of Education, Professor Jiang has also served as a Visiting Scholar at Harvard University's Fairbank Center for Chinese Studies, fostering international academic collaboration and promoting a deeper global understanding of East Asian history. Her extensive body of work—including *A Complete History of the Nanjing Massacre*, *Historical Materials Collection of the Nanjing Massacre*, and numerous other landmark publications—has made a significant contribution to the preservation of historical memory and the pursuit of historical truth.

Professor Jiang will examine how the legacy of war continues to shape our world and why preserving historical memory is essential to preventing future atrocities. Her insights will challenge us to recognise that remembrance is not about dwelling on the past—it is about accepting our shared responsibility to protect human dignity, confront injustice, and ensure that the tragedies of history are never repeated.



Professor Fawaz A. Gerges

**Chair of the Contemporary Middle East
London School of Economics and Political Science**

For decades, Professor Fawaz A. Gerges has been at the forefront of understanding one of the world's most complex and consequential regions—the Middle East. As an internationally acclaimed scholar, bestselling author, and leading authority on international relations, he has devoted his career to examining the forces that drive conflict, diplomacy, and peace in a rapidly changing world.

As Professor of International Relations and Chair of the Contemporary Middle East at the London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE), Professor Gerges has advised governments, engaged with global policymakers, and inspired audiences worldwide through his groundbreaking research and thought leadership. His work challenges conventional narratives, encouraging a deeper understanding of the historical, political, and human dimensions of one of the most strategically important regions in the world.

In this timely and thought-provoking session, Professor Gerges will explore the future of peace in the Middle East and the challenges and opportunities that will shape the region for generations to come. Drawing on decades of research and firsthand insights, he will examine the evolving geopolitical landscape, the pursuit of stability, and the critical role of diplomacy, dialogue, and visionary leadership in building a more peaceful future.



Jennifer Nadel

**Executive Chair, Global Compassion Coalition
Co-Founder, Compassion in Politics**

Jennifer Nadel's story begins long before her own. It begins with an act of extraordinary courage.

During the Holocaust, Jennifer's grandfather was one of thousands of Jewish children rescued through the Kindertransport—a remarkable humanitarian mission that brought nearly 10,000 children to safety in Britain. His survival was made possible because ordinary people chose compassion over indifference, courage over fear. That single act of kindness not only saved one life, but shaped generations to come.

Inspired by this legacy, Jennifer has dedicated her life to proving that compassion is not a weakness—it is one of humanity's greatest strengths.

A trained barrister turned award-winning journalist, Jennifer spent years reporting on some of the world's most pressing issues for the BBC, ITN, and Channel 4 News, giving voice to stories that challenged injustice and inspired change. Yet she came to believe that solving society's greatest challenges requires more than exposing problems—it demands a fundamental shift in how we lead, connect, and care for one another.

Today, Jennifer is one of the world's leading voices on compassionate leadership. She is the co-founder of Compassion in Politics, an influential movement working across the political spectrum to place empathy, dignity, and humanity at the heart of public life. As Executive Chair of the Global Compassion Coalition, she brings together leaders, educators, scientists, and changemakers from around the world to champion compassion as a practical solution to the challenges facing our societies.



Antoinette Mutabazi

A Survivor of Rwandan Genocide

In just 100 days, between April and July 1994, an estimated 800,000 people—primarily Tutsis—were systematically murdered during the Rwandan Genocide. It remains one of the darkest chapters in modern history, where neighbours turned against neighbours, families were torn apart, and the world stood by in silence.

Antoinette Mutabazi was just twelve years old when her world was shattered.

She witnessed unimaginable brutality. To survive, she hid in a disused toilet while killers searched nearby for survivors. She cradled her six-year-old brother as he died from injuries sustained in a grenade explosion. Her mother, two younger brothers, and more than 80 members of her extended family were murdered. Reflecting on those horrific days, Antoinette recalls, “I did not want to die, but at that moment, I was dead inside.”

Yet her story did not end in tragedy.

Instead of allowing hatred to define her future, Antoinette chose the far more difficult path of forgiveness, healing, and reconciliation. Today, she shares her extraordinary journey with audiences around the world, demonstrating that even after humanity’s darkest moments, hope can prevail, hearts can heal, and peace can be rebuilt—one courageous choice at a time.

Her story reveals the devastating consequences of prejudice, division, and indifference, while reminding us that peace is never accidental—it is built through compassion, understanding, moral courage, and the willingness to forgive.

Antoinette’s journey is living proof that while violence can destroy lives, it can never defeat the human spirit. Her story will inspire you to become a leader who chooses courage over fear, compassion over hatred, and peace over division.



Derek Schwartz

Former U.S. Marine

Derek Schwartz still remembers the first time he took a life. It happened in Fallujah, Iraq, during his first deployment as a United States Marine. Over the years that followed, he served in Iraq, Haiti, and Afghanistan, witnessing firsthand the devastating realities of war and the immeasurable human cost of conflict.

When Derek returned home, the battlefield came with him. Haunted by the memories of combat and the lives that were lost, he struggled with post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), traumatic brain injury, and alcoholism. At one of the darkest moments of his life, he found the courage to seek help—a turning point that began his remarkable journey toward healing, resilience, and renewed purpose.

Today, Derek dedicates his life to helping others understand the true consequences of war and the urgent need to build a more peaceful world. He believes that if future generations are to prevent conflict, they must first understand its human cost. Equally important, they must recognize that peace is not simply the absence of war, but a conscious choice rooted in compassion, understanding, and the courage to heal.

In this deeply personal and thought-provoking session, Derek takes audiences beyond the headlines and into the realities of combat, the invisible wounds carried long after the fighting ends, and the transformative journey of overcoming adversity. His story challenges us to redefine strength—not by the battles we fight, but by the lives we choose to rebuild, the hope we choose to restore, and the peace we choose to create.



Lejla Damon

A Bosnian War Child

Lejla Damon's life began in the shadow of one of the darkest chapters in modern history. Born during the Bosnian Genocide, she is the daughter of a Bosnian Muslim woman who was raped in a concentration camp, where sexual violence was systematically used as a weapon of war. At just nine days old, Lejla was smuggled out of Bosnia by her adoptive parents and raised in the United Kingdom, growing up with questions of identity, belonging, and a past she never chose.

Rather than allowing her story to be defined by tragedy, Lejla has transformed it into a lifelong mission to advocate for justice, human dignity, and lasting peace. She is a passionate voice raising global awareness of conflict-related sexual violence, challenging the world to confront one of war's most devastating and often overlooked atrocities. Through her courage and authenticity, she reminds us that silence allows injustice to endure, while education and empathy have the power to change lives.

Lejla's advocacy has earned national recognition, including the prestigious Point of Light Award, for her outstanding contribution to raising awareness and inspiring positive change. She also serves on the Youth Engagement Panel for War Child UK and works closely with Remembering Srebrenica, helping educate future generations about the consequences of hatred, discrimination, and genocide.

In this deeply moving and thought-provoking session, Lejla shares her extraordinary journey of resilience, identity, and hope. Her message challenges young leaders to confront injustice with courage, embrace compassion over division, and recognise that every individual has the power to shape a more peaceful future.



Dr. Chen Alon

**Former Israeli Defence Forces Officer
Co-Founder, Combatants for Peace**

Raised in Israel in the shadow of the Holocaust, Chen grew up believing that serving in the military was both a duty and a moral responsibility. He served as an officer in the Israeli Defence Forces (IDF) and later as an operations officer in the reserves, spending years on the front lines of one of the world's longest and most deeply rooted conflicts.

But it was during his military service in the occupied Palestinian territories that everything changed. Witnessing the human consequences of conflict challenged the beliefs he had carried since childhood and led him to ask one of the most difficult questions any soldier can face: Can security ever be achieved without humanity? Convinced that violence could never bring lasting peace, Chen made the extraordinary decision to refuse further military service in the occupied territories—a choice that resulted in imprisonment and transformed the course of his life.

Determined to replace fear with understanding, Chen co-founded Combatants for Peace, an unprecedented movement bringing together former Israeli soldiers and former Palestinian fighters who have laid down their weapons to pursue justice, reconciliation, and nonviolent action together. Their work has inspired thousands around the world and earned international recognition, including a nomination for the 2017 Nobel Peace Prize.

Today, Chen is an internationally respected educator, theatre practitioner, and peace activist who believes that courage is measured not by the ability to defeat an enemy, but by the willingness to see their humanity. Through storytelling, dialogue, and creative engagement, he empowers young leaders to challenge division, embrace empathy, and become courageous architects of peace.



Alfred Orono Orono

Head of Field Office, United Nations Mission in South Sudan

Alfred Orono Orono's life is a remarkable testament to the resilience of the human spirit.

As a child growing up amid conflict in South Sudan, Alfred experienced the brutality of war firsthand. While most children dream of classrooms, friendships, and the future, his childhood was shaped by violence, fear, and survival. Like thousands of children caught in armed conflict, he learned too early the devastating cost of war—not only on communities, but on the hopes and dreams of an entire generation.

Yet Alfred refused to let his past determine his future.

Driven by an unwavering belief that peace is possible, he transformed personal tragedy into a lifelong commitment to reconciliation and humanitarian service. Through education, he earned a Master's degree in Peace Studies, equipping himself with the knowledge and skills to help communities recover from conflict and rebuild trust where it had once been broken.

Today, Alfred serves as Head of Field Office with the United Nations Mission in South Sudan, working on the frontlines of one of the world's most complex peacekeeping missions. His work brings together communities divided by conflict, protects vulnerable civilians, supports local peace initiatives, and helps create the conditions for lasting stability in a nation striving to emerge from decades of violence.

Alfred's journey is more than a story of survival—it is a powerful lesson in transformation. Having witnessed war through the eyes of a child, he now works tirelessly to ensure that future generations inherit hope instead of fear, opportunity instead of violence, and peace instead of conflict.



Felipe Queipo

**Programme Management and Communications Officer
United Nations Department of Global Communications**

Since joining the United Nations in 2008, Felipe has dedicated his career to strengthening the partnership between the United Nations and civil society. As a Programme Management and Communications Officer with the United Nations Department of Global Communications, he leads global outreach and engagement initiatives that connect the United Nations' work with non-governmental organisations, youth leaders, educators, and communities worldwide. He is also a member of the United Nations Speakers Bureau, speaking internationally on youth leadership, public diplomacy, global citizenship, and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

Believing that lasting peace is built on understanding rather than division, Felipe has devoted his work to fostering meaningful dialogue among people, institutions, and cultures. He has helped civil society organisations strengthen their communications and advocacy efforts in support of the United Nations, while also leading engagement with faith-based organisations through the UN's Focus on Faith initiative—bringing together diverse religious communities to explore their shared responsibility in promoting peace, preventing violent extremism, advancing gender equality, and responding to humanitarian crises.

Felipe has remained a passionate advocate for young people. He believes that today's young leaders are not simply the leaders of tomorrow—they are partners in shaping the world today.



WHO CAN BECOME A DELEGATE

We invite emerging global leaders aged 18 to 35 who are ready to make a global impact to participate in the 6th Global Peace Summit on an internationally recognised platform at the United Nations Conference Centre, Bangkok.

Successful candidates should embody the following qualities:

- **Leadership Potential**

Candidates should demonstrate strong leadership qualities, integrity, and a genuine desire to inspire and serve others.

- **Passion for Peace and Social Impact**

Candidates should be committed to advancing peace, promoting social progress, and addressing today's most pressing global challenges.

- **Open-Mindedness**

Candidates should embrace diversity, value different perspectives, and engage respectfully with people from various cultures, backgrounds, and beliefs.

- **Respect and Compassion**

Candidates should treat others with dignity, empathy, and consideration while demonstrating a sincere commitment to building a more inclusive and harmonious society.

- **Commitment to Service**

Candidates should be motivated to serve as a Humanitarian Affairs Peace Ambassador for one year, championing peace initiatives and inspiring positive change within their communities and beyond.



WHAT DOES THE REGISTRATION FEE COVER

The early bird fee of USD 1,100 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
- Powerful Firsthand Stories from Genocide Survivors, Historians, and Peacebuilders
- Knowledge-based Plenary Discussions
- An Electronic Certificate of Participation
- Networking Opportunities

Please note that the discounted early bird fee ends on **October 23, 2026**.

Be Part of a Global Movement for Peace

Watch the 2026 Global Peace Summit video and discover how you can join respected global figures, changemakers, and young visionaries at the United Nations Conference Centre, Bangkok.

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 [WEBPAGE - 6th Global Peace Summit 2026](#)