



**Multifaith Advisory Council to the United Nations Interagency Task Force on Religion and Sustainable Development**

**FAITH IN THE UN: A GLOBAL ONLINE CONFERENCE**  
*Commemorating the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the United Nations and looking to the future*  
**8 September 2020**

**8:00 - 10:00 EDT**

- 1 minute      **Welcome MFAC Co-Chair:** Mr. Gopal Patel, Bhumi Global
- 1 minute      **Moment of Silence/Interfaith prayer set to music**
- 5 minutes     **Introduction to the MFAC and IATF and its Co-Chairs:** Dr. Azza Karam
- 5 minutes     **Messages from Faith leaders**
- 1 minute      **Introduction by MFAC Co-Chair:** Ms. Bani Dugal, Baha’i International Community
- 10 minutes    **Screening of film - historical engagement of FBOs at and with the UN**
- 20 minutes    **Conversation I: Restoring trust in the UN: combating global challenges and finding solutions looking to promote a truly *united* United Nations:**  
 Ambassadors with FBOs: Ambassador Christoph Heusgen, Germany (confirmed)  
 Ambassador Sima Bahous, Jordan (confirmed) Mr. Joseph Donnelly, CARITAS;  
 Mr. Victor Kazanjian, URI; Dr. Azza Karam, RfP **Moderator:** James Patton ICRD
- 5 minutes     **Messages from Youth and Children**

- 20 minutes      **Conversation II: How can the UN secure the future of youth and children by tackling challenges related to media and the internet?** SRSV Violence Against Children, Ms. Najat Maala M'jid (confirmed); SRSV, Prevention of Genocide (invited); High Representative Alliance of Civilizations, Mr. Miguel Angel Moratinos (invited); UN Global Communications Department, Executive Director, Ms. Melissa Fleming (invited); and Rabbi Burton Visotzky, Jewish Theological Seminary; Ms. Tarja Kantola Finn Church Aid; Mr. Andrea Bartoli, Sant Idgidio ; Mr. Mustafa Ali, Arigatou International. **Moderator:** Ambassador Alvaro Albacete, KAICIID
- 1 minute        **Introduction by MFAC Co-Chair:** Dr. Husna Ahmed, Global One
- 3 minutes       **Piano rendition of *The Lord's Prayer*:** Ryan Koch, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints
- 10 minutes      **Conversation III: Role of Faith in the future of international governance with UN Goodwill Ambassadors and friends:** Ms. Dia Mirza, UNEP; Ms. Muzoon Almellehan UNICEF; Ms. Marie Osmond, Singer/Actor/Philanthropist **Moderator:** Mr. Mohammed El Sannousi, Network for Religious and Traditional Peacemakers
- 20 minutes      **Conversation IV: Partnerships with FBOs on Agenda 2030 -- a way to secure the advancement of women and protection of children:**  
Ms. Henrietta Fore, Executive Director, UNICEF; Dr. Natalia Kanem, Executive Director, UNFPA; Ms. Phumzile Mlambo Ngcuka, Executive Director, UN Women; Mr. Naser Haghamed, Islamic Relief Worldwide; Ms. Dana Buzducea, World Vision International; Ms. Zainah Anwar, Musawa **Moderator:** Casey Hardin, YWCA
- 5 minutes       **Messages from members of MFAC for the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary:** Ms. Audrey Kitagawa, Parliament of the World's Religions; Mr. Faisal Bin Muammar, KAICIID; Ambassador Hailu Mussi, United Religions Initiative
- 10 minutes      **Concluding Remarks: MFAC Co-Chair:** Mr. Rudelmar Bueno de Faria, ACT Alliance
- 3 minutes       **Interfaith Prayer:** Ms. Ani Zonneveld, Muslims with Progressive Values