Flamme des Friedens



Flame of Peace

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António Guterres Secretary-General United Nations New York, NY 10017 USA

Dear Mr. Secretary-General,

I am pleased to confirm that the Association for the Furtherance of Peace has supports the ten principles of the UN Global Compact with respect to human rights, labor, environment, and anti-corruption over the past 5 years and commits itself to continue supporting ten principles of the UN Global Compact in the future.

With this commitment, we express our intent to advance these principles within our sphere of influence, and will make a clear statement of this commitment to our Stakeholders and the general public.

We also pledge to take part in the activities of the UN Global Compact where appropriate and feasible – through, for instance, participation in Country/Local Networks; involvement in specialized initiatives and work streams; engagement in partnership projects; and reviewing and providing commentary to participating companies on their Communications on Progress.

The activity of the Flame of Peace is to motivate individuals and organizations to promote peace activities in every way possible. The Flame of Peace is therefore a motivation to do something for peace and at the same time an admonishment to keep Peace.

The Association for the furtherance of Peace is a nonprofit organization that has been created to support all activities that the Flame of Peace has initiated. It is a neutral organization with its main offices in Vienna, Austria and it has no political or religious alliances.

The Flame of Peace is presented to Persons and Organizations who carrier responsibility for People, Countries, Peoples, Cultures, Nature and the Environment.

The "Flame of Peace" is a symbol of Peace, a work of art - a language without boundaries, joins together, overcomes boarders, is a universal language independent of

circumstance.

The "Flame of Peace Monument" is erected to create a particular awareness for Peace as a sign of Friendship for freedom and peace in our world.

The objective of the "Flame of Peace" is to promote and partake in Peace activities. Its main activity is to encourage persons and organization to engage themselves in the peace process wherever and whenever possible. It aims encourages the exchange of information and ideas for the achievement of peace. It leads initiatives where a high level of idealism and neutrality is required for the success of such initiatives.

The initiative "Young Flame of Peace" sows the Seed of Peace at an early age and to promote and motivate Schools to participate in this network for Peace. Through the presentation of the "Flame of Peace" to exemplary and motivated educational institutions worldwide bridges will be built, visions will be passed on, and the best young minds as future opinion makers and leaders will be introduced into the promotion of Peace process. Built upon experience in the "participation model" in Austria Schools exemplary participation projects, peace projects, focus groups, and "Peace Ambassadors" are being initiated with schools in different countries, under the guardianship of "The Flame of Peace" as an inspiration and partnership. This way a complex, a dynamic and a fast growing network of "Young Ambassadors of Peace" is being created. This initiative is supported by Governments and their diplomatic representatives from the countries where participating schools are located.

The initiative for the "Partnership for Peace" creates a neutral forum where Organizations in Countries of this world can exchange their culture, thoughts challenges, and most importantly do this in an environment of friendship all striving to promote security and peace. To join the Partnership for Peace a declaration of will is made and a liaisons officer assigned to the Partnership for Peace. The Flame of Peace will issue to the organization a Certificate of Membership in the Partnership for Peace. Member Organizations will be awarded the Flame of Peace which is a reminder and an admonishment, at the same time always to think, speak and act in sense of Peace. All members are invited to participate in the international exchange organized by the Flame of Peace together with the diplomatic representative of Countries who have accepted the Flame of Peace. Each Organization will be networked closely together to foster an environment of Friendship and Peace. The Partnership of Peace an initiative for Peace in this world. This initiative is supported by Governments and their diplomatic representatives, Military and Security organizations.

The Flame of Peace takes the initiative to erect **Peace Monuments** in the world to create global awareness to always to think, to speak and to act in the spirit of Peace.

It is the declared aim of Association for the Furtherance of Peace to enhance communication and to facilitate the building of networks.

That all partners should support and respect the protection of internationally proclaimed human rights and make sure that they are not complicit in human rights abuses.

In the activities of the Association for the Furtherance of Peace when and wherever they take place in the world it explicitly promotes freedom, friendship and peace.

The Association for the Furtherance of Peace does it best to apply the "Ten Principles of the UN Global Compact" to all its activities. Since the main collaborators of the Association for the Furtherance of Peace are the diplomatic representatives of collaborating nations who in turn are members of the UN and therefore it is a mute point in them joining UN Global Compact.

The Association for the furtherance of Peace does not have commercial activities nor is it involved in the promotion of such. When the Association for the Furtherance of Peace is involved in the funding or organization of needed supplies it applies a high level of discretion to collaborate only with companies and organizations who recognize or at lease are not seen to violate any of the ten principles of the UN Global Compact.

Since the main result of the Activity is the Association for the Furtherance of Peace is to award exemplary persons and organizations who carry responsibility for People, Countries, Peoples, Cultures, Nature and the Environment and to erect Peace Monuments to remind people to always to think, to speak and to act in the spirit of peace.

We have not found any qualitative nor quantitative indicators to measure the outcome of our activities. The reason can be found in the global nature of the activity and that no two events produce the same activities. The activities are extensive and are presented on our website www.flameofpeace.org.

The only indication we can offer is the development since our activities began with the local communities and their leaders and today we have expanded to activities with nations, their leaders and the heads of government.

We wish to thank you and all representatives our nations for the concerted efforts to overcome the difficult times we are living in and wishing you the best of good health

Sincerely yours,

Herta Margarete Habsburg-Lothringen

President