

United Nations World Interfaith Harmony Week

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SPEAKERS: Susan MADSEN - May EAST - Robert GASS (tbc) Aftab OMER (tbc)

Zoom Panel Event - February 1, 2021 at 14:30 UTC / 9:30 AM Eastern time (US/Canada)

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The World Interfaith Harmony Week was first proposed at the UN General Assembly on September 23, 2010 by H.M. King Abdullah II of Jordan. It was unanimously adopted by the UN and henceforth the first week of February will be observed as a World Interfaith Harmony Week. It is hoped that this initiative will provide a focal point from which all people of goodwill can recognize that the common values they hold far outweigh the differences they have, and thus provide a strong dosage of peace and harmony to their communities.

Speakers

Susan R. Madsen: Karen Haight Huntsman Endowed Professor of Leadership in the Jon M. Huntsman School of Business at Utah State University; A Visiting Fellow of the Faculty of Economics and Business at the University of Zagreb (Croatia) and a former Fellow of The Leadership Trust Foundation in Ross-on-Wye, England. A global thought leader on women and leadership.

May East : Sustainability educator, urban planner and social innovator. Her work spans the fields of cultural geography, urban ecology, and women's studies. She currently works in 55 countries with community-based organisations and intergovernmental agencies in policy guidance for SDGs implementation with projects seeking to strengthen climate resilience, food security and women's empowerment. A UNITAR Fellow, she has recently received the Women of the Decade in Sustainability and Leadership award by the Women Economic Forum and has been designated three years in a row one of the 100 Global Sustainability Leaders.

ROBERT GASS (TBC) has been known for leading edge work in human consciousness and organisational change for over 30 years. He holds a doctorate in Clinical Psychology and Organisational Development from Harvard University. His work synthesizes an unusually diverse background in organisational behavior, social change, humanistic psychology, business, music, and spiritual studies.

AFTAB OMER (TBC) is a sociologist, psychologist, futurist and the president of Meridian University. Raised in Pakistan, India, Hawaii, and Turkey, he was educated at the universities of M.I.T, Harvard and Brandeis. His publications have addressed the topics of transformative learning, cultural leadership, generative entrepreneurship and complexity capability. His work includes assisting organizations in tapping into the creative potentials of conflict, diversity, and complexity. Formerly the president of the Council for Humanistic and Transpersonal Psychologies, he is a Fellow of the International Futures Forum and the World Academy of Arts and Sciences.

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