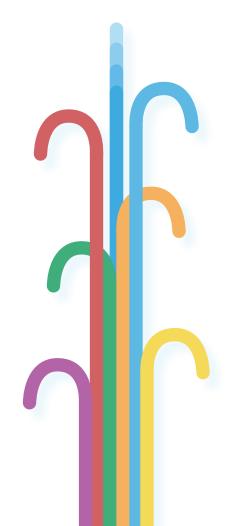
# INTERNATIONAL DAY OF LIVING TOGETHER IN PEACE

7<sup>th</sup> EDITION



# PEACE AT THE HEART OF EDUCATION

16-18 MAY 2024 GENEVA

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#### 1. EDITORIAL

#### Peace at the Heart of Education

7 years after the historic adoption, on December 8, 2017, of the International Day of Living Together in Peace by the United Nations (IDLTP), we have arrived today at a crossroads, faced with a choice for the future that involves, decisively, the destiny of future generations.

The current multi-crises indeed place us in an emergency which cannot be further denied.

To live and prosper, today's world needs a shared vision, a common denominator that unites it through an ideal that carries meaning and cohesion. Everything pushes us to join our efforts to favor the collective and responsible Culture of "We" over the egotistic and selfish Culture of "I" to find our way back toward a unified and peaceful humanity.

This is precisely where Education to the Culture of Peace, from an early age, comes into play to create this new universal consciousness. By placing peace at the heart of all relationships, Education to the Culture of Peace raises in fact awareness of our interdependence and our responsibility towards all forms of life on Earth.

Shocks are sometimes beneficial because, in the midst of chaos, they offer us the opportunity to heal the deep ills of our Humanity.

#### Three paths for the future are emerging today.

The expressway before Another path is that of which humanity is, which is to selfdestruct. For this, there is nuclear power.

carelessness, to let ourselves be carried away slowly by the flow of climatic hazards towards the abyss.

Finally, the third way: To put peace at the heart of our system of governance.

We cannot escape this responsibility. Each of us is affected; each of us is a cell of this same body which is called Humanity.

May this 7<sup>th</sup> edition of the IDLTP, placed under the theme of "Peace at the heart of Education", be a resounding success. May the connections forged and efforts made result in an exceptional experience that inspires new collaborations and achievements, thus creating positive momentum for the future, uniting the human community around shared universal values.

#### Sheikh Khaled Bentounes

Initiator of the International Day of Living Together in Peace Honorary President of AISA International NGO

#### 2. THE IDLTP, A UNITED **NATIONS RESOLUTION**

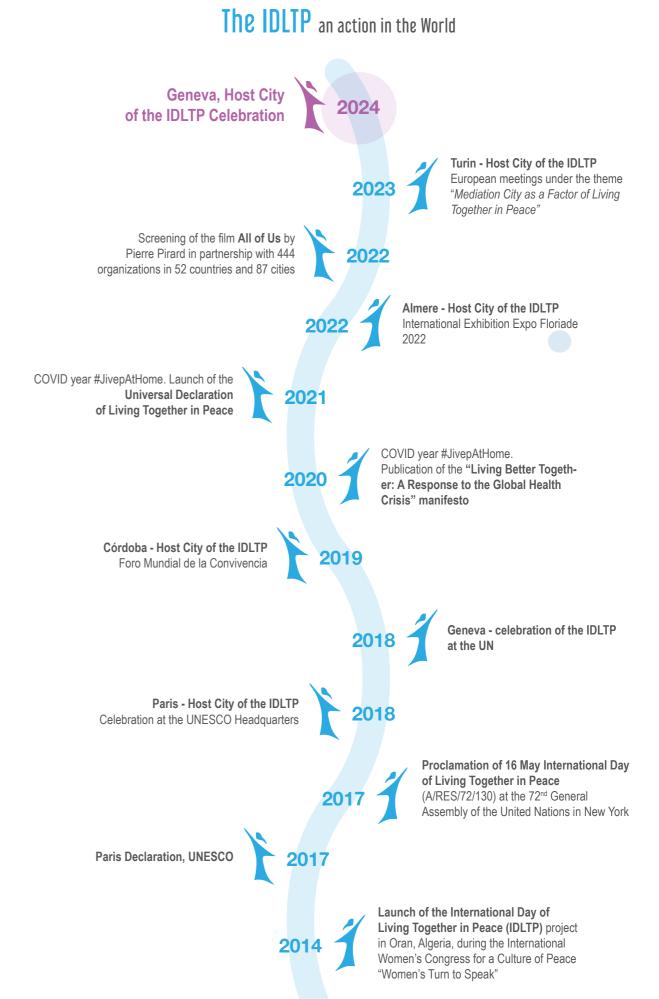
On December 8, 2017, the International Day of Living Together in Peace (IDLTP) was unanimously adopted by the 193 member States of the United Nations General Assembly, through resolution A/ RES/72/130<sup>1</sup>.

Every May 16, this day provides member States who have committed to it with a means of regularly mobilizing their efforts in favor of "...peace, tolerance, inclusion, understanding and solidarity, and the opportunity for all to express the deep desire to live and act together, united in difference and diversity, with a view to building a viable world based on peace, solidarity and harmony." (article 2 of resolution A/RES/72/130).

Since 2017, thanks to the growing support of civil society, local dynamics have been deployed around the world to raise more awareness and better understand the issues related to Living Together, in particular through festive events for the general public<sup>2</sup>.

"The scale of the changes that threaten peace, from climate change to technological revolutions and growing inequalities, requires the mobilization of all our societies. With this in mind, we have been celebrating the International Day of Living Together in Peace since

> **Audrey Azoulay**, Director-General of UNESCO



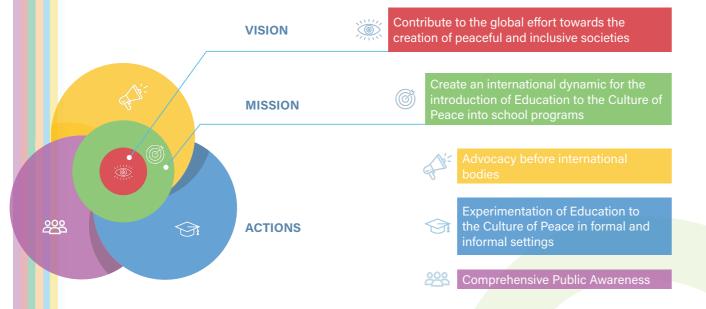
<sup>1</sup> www.un.org/fr/observances/living-in-peace-day

<sup>2 16</sup>mai.org/



## 3. IDLTP 2024 EDITION: PEACE AT THE HEART OF EDUCATION

With the support of its international partners, AISA International NGO continues its awareness-raising and mobilization efforts among UN member States, NGOs, schools and civil society to contribute to the global effort for the advent of peaceful and inclusive societies. To this end, AISA has been working, for several years, towards creating and promoting a global dynamic aimed at placing Education to the Culture of Peace at the heart of school programs.



# 3.1. The IDLTP 2024, privileged Stepping-stone for the promotion of Education to the Culture of Peace in school programs

Beyond its festive dimension, the IDLTP includes an educational dimension. It emphasizes the importance of tolerance, mutual respect, solidarity among individuals, communities, and people.

It is closely linked to the **Education to the Culture of Peace** which transmits, in addition to fundamental school subjects, relational skills promoting good action and a harmonious living with oneself, others and the environment as a whole.

Through the importance it attaches to the **Economy of Peace** and **Mediation**, it favors mutual understanding, non-violent resolution of conflicts, and the development of a shared vision for a common destiny.

These three themes thus converge to promote the creation of a world where differences are not sources of division, but opportunities for mutual enrichment to act in favor of the common good of Humanitywith each other, and not against each other.

AISA International NGO makes **"Education to the Culture of Peace"** an absolute priority within the framework of the 7<sup>th</sup> edition of the IDLTP.

This strategic vision is in line with:

- The convening, on 18 and 19 September 2023, of the United Nations Summit on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) to mark a new phase of accelerated progress in their achievement;
- UNESCO's historic recommendation on the cross-cutting role of education in promoting peace, adopted on 20 November 2023, during the 42<sup>nd</sup> session of the organization's General Conference;
- The commemoration of the centenary of the Declaration of the Rights of the Child adopted by the League of Nations on 26 September 1924, which recognized for the first time the existence of rights specific to children and especially the responsibility of elders towards them;
- The upcoming holding, on 23 and 24 September 2024, of the Summit of the Future aimed at breathing new life into the multilateral system in order to honor the Charter of the United Nations and the 2030 Agenda for Humanity, the planet, prosperity and peace.

To find out more about Education to the Culture of Peace and its educational project (accessible from May 2024): <a href="https://www.culturedepaix.fr/">www.culturedepaix.fr/</a>

3.2. Geneva,

This year, the 7<sup>th</sup> edition of the IDLTP will be hosted by the City of Geneva.

stronger "doing together" in favor of

future collaborations for an ever

world peace.

The City of Geneva is a hotspot for multilateral cooperation around the world. It is known for its neutrality and its

historic commitment to mediation, respect of human rights, and peace. The City of Geneva is perfectly in line with the values of living Together in Peace. The fundamental issue of Living Together, social cohesion and peaceful coexistence has also been reiterated in the 2020-2025 legislative program of the City's Administrative Council.

The City of Geneva thus stands out as a privileged location for the 7<sup>th</sup> edition of the IDLTP to revive a message of hope and act as a sounding board in favor of sustainable peace, including at the local level, through its membership in the International Observatory of Mayors on Living Together, a network bringing together 55 capitals and cities around the world in favor of diversity and social inclusion<sup>1</sup>.

# 3.3. Expected Impact of the IDLTP 2024

By giving reasons for hope, the 2024 edition of the IDLTP offers the opportunity for a decisive step forward to provide young people with the keys to a future that respects themselves, others and the environment.

It enables the mobilization of compe¬tent authorities to introduce the pedagogy of Education to the Culture of Peace into school curricula. It promotes the necessary support for deploying pilot schools and classrooms equipped with innovative educational tools, devel¬oped by education experts to initiate this peace-oriented educational project.

It invites young and future generations to establish the basis for world governance through peace and for peace where the economy of nature to

its rightful place. By considering the intrinsic interdependence between the human economy and natural ecosystems - considered as an indivisible whole - this profound paradigm shift promotes harmonious long-term development, which reconciles human well-being and environmental sustainability.

Through the numerous collaborations on which it is based, it connects decision-makers at the highest level, local stakeholders in education and social cohesion, and the general public. The IDLTP 2024 in Geneva therefore creates partnerships for the promotion of the Culture of Peace at the core of the 17 SDGs dynamics.

1 Düsseldorf Declaration: Mayors commit to diversity and inclusion: observatoirevivreensemble.org/en/dusseldorf-declaration-mayors-embrace-diversity-andinclusion

#### 4. THE IDLTP 2024 PROGRAM

#### 4.1. Geneva and its highlights

#### Official celebration of the IDLTP at the UN

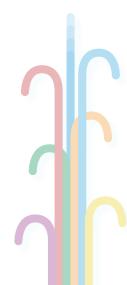
#### Thursday May 16

#### Palais des Nations, Room XIX

The official celebration of the IDLTP 2024 will be held at the Palais des Nations, as part of an international conference introduced by the Director-General of UNOG, Mrs. Tatiana VALOVAYA, and attended by a series of key players from the representations of international organizations, permanent missions, experts in education and civil society, to discuss the issues related to:

- Education to the Culture of Peace
- Peace Economy
- Mediation





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2.00 pr

#### **Opening ceremony**

- Welcoming address
- Speech by Ms. Tatiana VALOVAYA, Director-General of the UN, on behalf of Mr. António GUTERRES, Secretary-General of the UN
- Speech by Ms. Christina KITSOS, Vice-President of the Administrative Council of the City of Geneva

2.15 pm

#### Round table "For a Culture of Peace"

Moderation: Mr. Philippe NICOLET, director

- Sheikh Khaled BENTOUNES, Honorary President of AISA International NGO and Initiator
  of the International Day of Living Together in Peace
- Ms. Bariza KHIARI, former senator of Paris, President of the Aliph Foundation
- Ms. Hiba QASAS, Executive Director of the Principles for Peace (P4P) Foundation
- Mr. Jakob KELLENBERGER, former President of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC)
- Mr. Jacques BERCHTOLD, Director of the Martin Bodmer Foundation
- Mr. Luc RECORDON, lawyer, former advisor to state authorities, member of the committee of the Center for Nonviolent Action (CENAC)

3.25 pm

Pause

3.50 pm

#### Round table "The Culture of Peace: A perspective for the future"

Moderation: Mr. Hamid DEMMOU, Doctor of Paul Sabatier University - Toulouse III, former president of AISA International NGO

#### Let us place Peace at the heart of teaching and learning

 Ph.D. Amel SHAHERLI, Consultant in international development and humanitarian action, AISA International NGO

#### Let us dare Economic Peace

- Mr. Dominique STEILER, Doctor in management, holder of the UNESCO Chair for a culture of economic peace, Grenoble School of Management
- Mr. Marius DØCKER, Executive Director of Business for Peace

#### Let us activate Restorative Mediation

- Ms. Michèle GUILLAUME-HOFNUNG, Professor of public law, founder and director of the Guillaume-Hofnung Mediation Institute
- Ms. Saida BENOUARI, Lawyer and Mediator at the Paris Bar, Head of the Mediation Unit of AISA International NGO

4.50 pm 5.00 pm

#### Closing speech

#### Proclamation of the Geneva Declaration

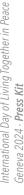
#### Thursday May 16

#### University of Geneva, Uni Dufour

Developed during the UN conference, the Geneva Declaration for Education to the Culture of Peace will be proclaimed during this evening. It will bring together key players and engage them in the promotion of Education to the Culture of Peace in school programs. The medal ceremony will honor the commitment of the IDLTP 2024 ambassadors to the service of the Culture of Peace.

	PROGRAM
7 pm	Welcome
8 pm	<ul> <li>Welcoming address</li> <li>Proclamation of the Geneva Declaration for Education to the Culture of Peace</li> <li>Medal ceremony for the IDLTP 2024 ambassadors</li> </ul>
9 pm	Diner cocktail
10 pm	Musical interlude with Princess Stella Aicha SAGNON







#### Celebration of the IDLTP in places of formal and informal education

13 to 17 May

#### Schools and neighborhood centers in the canton of Geneva

A week of activities in schools and neighborhood centers in the canton of Geneva is proposed to allow education stakeholders to work for Living Together, one of the pillars of general education for students in Switzerland. On this occasion, more than 700 students will benefit from the presence of facilitators trained in Education to the Culture of Peace to experience this pedagogy, which puts peace at the heart of teaching and learning.



#### Eco Humanity exhibition by Armando Milani

2 to 31 May

From 2 to 31 May Parc des Bastions From 15 to 30 May Quai Gustave-Ador From 17 to 18 May Plainpalais Community Hall

Located in the heart of the city, the exhibition offers an artistic itinerary designed as an awakening to the state of the world today and a tribute to the work of this world-renowned artist. For several decades, his creative work has denounced the systemic crises shaking humanity today: pollution and environmental degradation, climate change, injustice, violence, and conflicts that compromise the future. The exhibition puts the artist's critical messages into perspective with the issues linked to Living Together and the Culture of Peace. It also offers, particularly to schools, a space for reflection on the significant challenges of humanity in connection with the 17 SDGs.





#### Reception at the Palais Eynard (upon invitation)

17 May

#### **Palais Eynard**

This event offers a space for reflection and sharing to create an environment favorable to the implementation of Education to the Culture of Peace. Scheduled on this occasion:

- A round table bringing together political authorities and education stakeholders in order to chart the future of Education to the Culture of Peace in Geneva and at the international level;
- The opening of the Eco Humanity exhibition, in the presence of artist-designer Armando MILANI;
- An official reception offered by the City of Geneva for a moment of conviviality and networking.

PROGRAM		
Welcome		
<ul> <li>Welcoming address</li> <li>Speech by Ms. Christina KITSOS, Vice-President of the Administrative Council of the City of Geneva</li> </ul>		
Speakers:		
<ul> <li>Mr. Boris CYRULNIK, Neuropsychiatrist and Ethologist</li> <li>Sheikh Khaled BENTOUNES, Honorary President of AISA International NGO</li> <li>S.E.M. David FERNANDEZ PUYANA, Ambassador and Permanent Observer of the Universit for Peace to the Office of United Nations and international organizations in Geneva</li> <li>Ms. Anne HILTPOLD, State Councilor in charge of public education</li> <li>Mr. Gilbert VONLANTHEN, Mayor of the commune of Bernex</li> </ul>		
Opening of the Eco Humanity exhibition		
<ul> <li>Mr. Armando MILANI, Artist/Designer of the <i>Eco Humanity</i> exhibition</li> <li>Mr. Mads OLESEN, cultural programmer and curator of the <i>Eco Humanity</i> exhibition</li> </ul>		
Diner cocktail		

#### Forum for a Culture of Peace

May 17 & 18

#### **Plainpalais Community Hall**

The Forum for a Culture of Peace will take place at the Plainpalais Community Hall on May 17 and 18. It allows the general public to meet key players and experience different activities related to Living Together and Education to the Culture of Peace. The official opening of the Forum will be ensured by Ms. Christina KITSOS, Vice-President of the Administrative Council of the City of Geneva.

These meetings will be punctuated and enhanced by:

- An exceptional dialogue between Boris CYRULNIK and Sheikh Khaled BENTOUNES to discover their deep and visionary thinking about future choices which engage our Humanity;
- The staging of several didactic and artistic approaches to address the theme of Culture of Peace, through four exhibitions for the general public:
- Eco Humanity, animated posters by Armando MILANI
- The Tree of Universal Human Values of the Almere Peace School and AISA International NGO
- Arabic Calligraphy: Ink, the primordial ocean; The Point, oneness; The Line, manifestation of the **ADLANIA** Foundation
- Chinese Calligraphy by artist Wang FEI;
- Experimenting with the Culture of Peace through workshops and presentations on education, mediation, economics, communication, calligraphy, health and well-being, among other topics.





#### Closing evening

May 18

#### Le Bateau Genève

The Ethnomusicology Workshops (ADEM) are joining the 7<sup>th</sup> edition of the IDLTP for an exceptional concert aboard "le Bateau Genève" which will mark the closing of the event. An evening in the company of the Taraf Syriana group which draws its main sources of inspiration from Syrian and Eastern European music, particularly Roma. This artistic approach thus extends beyond the stage, offering a living testimony to the possibility of peaceful coexistence and mutual understanding. Diversity is no longer a cause of conflict but a shared wealth.



Photo: Antonia George

Taraf Syriana counts among its members virtuosos such as the legendary Roma accordionist Sergiu Popa (Moldova), Moroccan percussionist Mohamed Raky, Lebanese-Syrian ganun master Nizar Tabscharani, and the talented Franco-Swiss cellist Noemy Braun.

To learn more about the IDLTP programs: www.16mai.org

#### 4.2. Elsewhere in the world

The calendar of the international celebration of the 7th edition of the IDLTP is regularly updated on the website of May 16: 16mai.org to inform the public and promote all partners on a local and global scale.

Any stakeholder interested in supporting the IDLTP and Education to the Culture of Peace is invited to read, share, and enrich it by sending the program of proposed activities and events to the address: contact@16mai.org



## 5. OUR PARTNERS, SUPPORTERS AND SPONSORS

AISA International NGO collaborates with various organizations such as the Berghof Foundation, the Mediterranean Foundation for Sustainable Development Djanatu al Arif and the company Pédagogie Alternative Internationale (PAI) in the context of the development of educational tools relating to Education to the Culture of Peace.

It also works in synergy with numerous partners to promote the Culture of Peace within the specific framework of the IDLTP. Thus, for example, during the broadcast of the documentary film "All of Us" (https://en.noustous-lefilm.be/le-film) by director Pierre PIRARD, AISA International NGO benefited from the support of nearly 500 partners in more than 50 countries, including:

- Educational establishments (primary schools, middle schools, high schools and universities);
- Municipalities and large institutions;
- Associations with an educational vocation;
- Associations with a religious and/or spiritual orientation;
- Media:
- Associations working for peace, solidarity and mediation;
- Cultural and sports associations;
- IDLTP citizen collectives.

The promotion of IDLTP also relies on an international network of ambassadors, which to date includes more than 40 public figures from the academic, educational, artistic, audiovisual, political, diplomatic, legal, interreligious and spiritual, the rapeutic and entrepreneurship world.

For the list of the IDLTP ambassadors:

16mai.org/partenaires-2/

The IDLTP is also sponsored by the Vivre Ensemble Perfumes: parfumsvivreensemble.com

IDLTP 2023 Retrospective: 16mai.org/ca-cest-passe-en-2023 The 2024 edition of the IDLTP in Geneva received the support of numerous partners:





































































Boris CYRULNIK

Ambassador of the IDLTP

Neuropsychiatrist and ethologist

"Since Sapiens appeared on earth, human beings have continued to wage war against each other. 300,000 years ago, we killed each other because we didn't have the same language, the same way of building shelters or the same makeup. These differences deserved death, didn't they? A few thousand years ago, the Cities-States of Assyria raised an army to attack the neighboring city whose harvest was better or which had more water. The looting, in this context, seemed moral since it defended our family and our children. Since Antiquity, wars of beliefs have been the deadliest.

The International Day of Living Together in Peace gave me the pride and honor of being its ambassador. My experience of two wars brought me to the following idea: only education leads to peace. Difference is no longer experienced as an aggression but as an invitation to discover another religion, another culture and another way of living together. In this mental attitude, any difference becomes an enrichment. Spirituality characterizes the human condition, and religions give it an exciting cultural dimension to discover.

I think there is a pedagogy of empathy. We can learn to represent the representations of the Other. Art, literature, theater build cultures that enrich us and philosophical debates invite us to do so.

I began my life experiencing war and, in the last chapter of my existence, I see the same hatreds reappear, the same war stories as those I heard on the eve of the Second World War. Should we submit to them?

It is urgent that we prepare for the ad<mark>vent of a so</mark>ciety in which everyone, discovering the Other, will increase their awareness and prepare for Peace."



Harcourt KLINEFELTER

Ambassador of the IDLTP

Former press secretary to Martin Luther King

"It is a great honor to have been chosen as an ambassador for the International Day of Living Together in Peace.

It is important during this time that we take active steps to create a culture where peace begins within everyone in a spirit of love. It must be brought and taught to all. We can then create a world, as Dr. Martin Luther King, my mentor, said: "I dream that one day we can live together as brothers and sisters and sit at the table of Brotherhood." A world where we will not be judged by the color of our skin, our origin or any other factor. We will rather be considered by the wealth we bring. Let's teach our children how to live in harmony, because it is the most important thing in our time. As Dr. King said: "We must learn to live together as brothers [and sisters] or we will die together like idiots."

Let us promote this Inte<mark>rnational D</mark>ay on behalf of all those who, through History, felt the call to make Peace a reality."



Rooney MARA
Ambassador of the IDLTP
American actress

"In a world steeped in deadly conflict, prejudice and greed, I am proud to join the International Day of Living Together in Peace to highlight its message of hope, love and compassion. The optimistic woman in me believes that we can embrace our differences as an impenetrable source of strength, and that together we have the power to condemn violence as a means to an end

With my hand outstretched, I invite you to join me on May 16 by signing this declaration of peace and to watch the magnificent documentary "All of Us" by Pierre."



Philippe ROCH
Ambassador of the IDLTP
Former Swiss Secretary of State for the Environment

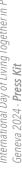
"To become an ambassador of peace I started with myself; I made peace with my dark sides, my past mistakes, my anger and my disappointments. Reassured, grounded, I was able to cast a look of peace on my loved ones, then on the whole world.

I then understood that the living community is a large family in which each being depends on all the others. Thus, the stranger becomes familiar, the nuisance an enrichment, the animal a brother, the plant a sister, and the Earth a wealth to be respected, looked after, and shared.

The prosperity of the entire human community can only be real and lasting through acceptance of differences and benevolence, peace and cooperation. The inner and outer appeasement that resulted from this journey has not taken away anything from my critical spirit, nor from my desire to fight injustices and toxic behavior: the energy that inhabits me has increased tenfold but it has lost its destructive components.

This is what we must teach our children through a vast program of civic education, curiosity for other cultures, values of respect and tolerance, humility, sobriety, mutual aid and sharing.»









#### homas d'ANSEMBOURG

Ambassador of the IDLTP Former lawyer at the Brussels bar, author, speaker and trainer in self-knowledge and human relations

"(...) If I accepted this role of ambassador, it is to contribute to this principle which should seem obvious to us, which is that Peace is learned like maths or football (...) it is like war, we have known how to wage war throughout the world for so many years unfortunately because we discipline ourselves to it, we organize ourselves into processes (...) there are techniques that we can learn; peace is the same, it will not fall from the sky by chance because our wishes are pious and our prayers intense.

We need to learn processes, keys, awareness and a certain organization of our inner life, a certain discipline to pacify us. So I would really like you to help us raise awareness and ensure that one day, peace learning is part of school programs like reading, writing and arithmetic, with the same evidence (...)"



Princesse Stella Aicha SAGNON Patron of the IDLTP

"We live in a world disrupted by various crises which sometimes lead us to forget that the best way to be at Peace together is first to make Peace with ourselves, to sow Peace among those close to us and our peers, and to teach Peace to as many people as possible, particularly the youngest.

My commitment as a Patron to AISA International NGO for the International Day of Living Together in Peace, placed this year under the aegis of Education to the Culture of Peace, lies in my conviction that offering young generations an education based on the Culture of Peace, is to offer them the advent of a peaceful world in which all of humanity is pacified.

The choice made by AISA International NGO on my person reassures me that I have promoted Peace through Educational Entertainment throughout my professional career. And to quote one of the symbols of Peace that humanity has known, Nelson Mandela: "Education is the weapon that can change the world".

Our duty as Ambassadors of Peace is to ensure that we are actors and not spectators of this change, and this inevitably involves Education to the

#### 6. YOUR CONTRIBUTION

Due to the determining role that education has always played in the evolution of human societies, education to the Culture of Peace is ultimately a societal choice that concerns the future of all.

In this sense, the IDLTP is a valuable tool for mobilization, action, and mediation to promote Education to the Culture of Peace.

Supporting and relaying this approach as a partner from all walks of life means seizing a historic opportunity to:

- Actively participate in spreading the Culture of Peace in schools from an early age and in putting education at the service of a viable, united and caring common future;
- Contribute to making a difference and laying the foundations of a new global governance, at a time when our children need more than ever to experience peace with themselves, with others and their environment.

To find out more about the various forms of support (volunteer participation, financial donation, sharing of expertise and professional skills, etc.): 16mai.org/partenariat/

By making a donation, you become a stakeholder of Living Together in Peace, a hope for people who aspire to a fraternal and peaceful world.

Every contribution can make a significant difference to serve Peace.

www.helloasso.com/associations/aisa-ong-internationale/ collectes/geneve-ville-hote-de-la-jivep-2024





#### 7. ABOUT

#### **AISA International NGO**

AISA International NGO is a non-governmental organization, having special consultative status with ECOSOC (UN Economic and Social Council). It is recognized for its expertise on issues related to the Culture of Peace, gender equality, social development, spirituality, the environment, governance and ethics.

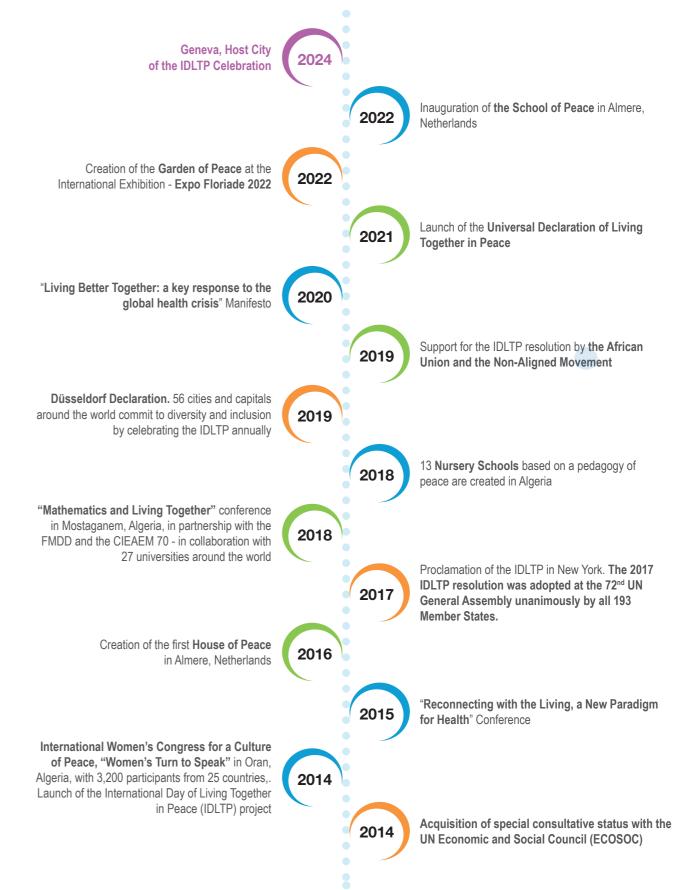
It draws its values from the universal wisdom of the Alâwî Sufi order recognized in 2013 by UNESCO as "School of Tolerance and Conviviality". (UNESCO, 191 EX/32, April 17, 2013)

As part of the 17 SDGs decreed by the UN for 2030, AISA International NGO contributes to the advent of peaceful and inclusive societies by updating mediation as a process of Living Together in Peace ensuring social cohesion, respect for human rights and the maintenance of cultural diversity.

For more information: www.aisa-ong.org

## AISA INTERNATIONAL NGO

#### An Action in the World





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#### **AISA Switzerland**

AISA International NGO relies on a network of national AISA associations in Germany, Belgium, Canada, Spain, the Netherlands, Benin and Switzerland, as well as affiliated associations in the Maghreb, Africa, Indonesia, Turkey, Japan, the Middle East and North America.

AISA Switzerland, branch of AISA International NGO, is an association under Swiss law free from any ideological and political attachment. It was mandated by AISA International NGO to organize the events of the International Day of Living Together in Peace in Geneva from May 16 to 18, 2024.

For more information: www.aisa-suisse.ch

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#### 9. ANNEX



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## EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL CABINET DU SECRETAIRE GENERAL

Le 5 février 2024

Cher Cheikh Bentounes,

Au nom du Secrétaire général, je tiens à vous remercier pour votre lettre en date du 27 novembre 2023, l'invitant à participer à la célébration de la Journée Internationale du Vivre Ensemble en Paix, qui se tiendra à Genève le 16 mai 2024.

Le Secrétaire général apprécie votre aimable invitation. Malheureusement, en raison d'engagements antérieurs, il ne sera pas en mesure de prendre part à cet évènement. Cependant, j'ai le plaisir de vous informer que Mme Tatiana Valovaya, Directrice générale de l'Organisation des Nations Unies à Genève, le représentera. Le bureau de Mme Valovaya sera en contact avec les autorités compétentes pour discuter des détails de sa participation. Permettez-moi de vous adresser les meilleurs vœux de réussite du Secrétaire général pour cet évènement.

Une réponse similaire a été envoyée à Madame Christina Kitsos, Vice-présidente du Conseil administratif de la Ville de Genève, qui a co-signé l'invitation.

Je vous prie d'agréer, cher Cheikh, les assurances de ma haute considération.

Le Directeur du Cabinet

E. Courtenay Rattray

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Mr. Khaled Adlen BENTOUNES is the President/Chief Executive Officer and Mr. Madjid OSMANI is the Chief Administrative Officer of the NGO before the United Nations Office at Geneva for the year 2024.

Geneva, 6 March 2024

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