WOMEN’S PRE-ASSEMBLY PROGRAM

Monday, 19 August 2019
9:00 – 16:00 • Inselhalle, Lower Ground Floor

Pre-Assembly Facilitators:
- Dr. Lilian Sison, Dean, University of Santo Tomas Graduate School; Head, Religions for Peace International Women’s Coordinating Committee
- Canon Sarah Snyder, Special Adviser, Archbishop of Canterbury
- Rev. Megumi Wada, Director of the Department of International Interfaith Dialogue, Rissho Kosei-kai

7:30-9:00  REGISTRATION

9:00 – 9:30  WELCOME & OPENING REMARKS
- Moment of Silence
- Welcoming Remarks: Dr. Lilian Sison, Dean, University of Santo Tomas Graduate School; Head, Religions for Peace International Women’s Coordinating Committee
- Opening Remarks: Dr. William Vendley, Secretary General, Religions for Peace
- Address: Hon. Mehrézia Labidi-Maiza, First Vice-President, Constitutional Assembly, Tunisia; Secretary, Association for Women’s Progress; Honorary President, Religions for Peace

9:30 – 10:05  REFLECTION ON REGIONAL ASSEMBLY PREPARATIONS
- Presentation on Regional Preparatory Meetings by each of the six regions
- Slate presentation for the International Women’s Coordinating Committee; the slate has been prepared by a Nominating Committee composed of female members of the World Council

10:05 – 10:20  COFFEE BREAK
During the coffee break, participants may submit written comments and suggestions in a designated box for consideration by the Nominating Committee
10:20 – 12:45 WORKING GROUPS – PART 1

Participants divide up into five working groups of 20-25 persons each, working on the following themes:

- **Group 1:** Advancing Shared Well-Being by Advancing Positive Peace  
  Facilitator: **Ms. Nayla Tabbara**, Director, Institute of Citizenship and Diversity Management

- **Group 2:** Advancing Shared Well-Being by Preventing and Transforming Violent Conflicts  
  Facilitator: **Sister Agatha Chikelue**, Co-Chair, Nigeria Women of Faith Network

- **Group 3:** Advancing Shared Well-Being by Promoting Just and Harmonious Societies  
  Facilitator: **Dr. Suphatmet Yunyasit**, Secretary-General, Religions for Peace-Interreligious Council of Thailand

- **Group 4:** Advancing Shared Well-Being by Working for Sustainable and Integral Human Development  
  Facilitator: **Mrs. Ravinder Kaur Nijjar**, Scotland Coordinator, Guru Nanak Nishkam Sewak Jatha UK (International Sikh Organisation)

- **Group 5:** Advancing Shared Well-Being by Protecting the Earth  
  Facilitator: **Grand-Mother Marie Rankin-Tardif**, President, Kina8at-Together

12:45 – 13:45 LUNCH

The Women’s Nominating Committee will have a separate working lunch to review and discuss the comments and suggestions submitted to the comments box in order to finalize the slate.

13:45 – 15:00 PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION OF GROUP WORK

Groups report back: Each group’s rapporteur reports back to the Women’s Pre-Assembly on the results of the group work (10 minutes per group, each followed by 5 minutes of questions and answers)

15:00 – 16:00 THE WAY FORWARD

- Plenary discussion to identify key take-aways and central messages of the Women’s Pre-Assembly for the World Assembly as well as next steps beyond the Assembly
- Vote on the slate for the International Women’s Coordinating Committee
- Concluding Remarks