YOUTH PRE-ASSEMBLY PROGRAM

Monday, 19 August 2019
9:00 – 16:00 • Bayerischer Hof

Co-Moderators:
- **Mr. Renz Argao**, Co-Moderator, Religions for Peace Asia and Pacific Interfaith Youth Network; Community Development Coordinator, University of Santo Tomas Graduate School
- **Ms. Nivy Balachandran**, Youth Representative, Religions for Peace Australia; Director of Operations and Client Engagement, Cultural Infusion

7:30 – 8:50 REGISTRATION
Inselhalle

9:00 – 9:05 WELCOME & OPENING REMARKS
Bayerischer Hof
- Moment of Silence
- Welcoming Remarks by **Mr. Marcelo Leites**, Religions for Peace International Youth Committee Member; Executive Director, Eco Justice Global Program, World Student Christian Federation (WSCF) (5 minutes)

9:05 – 9:40 REFLECTION ON REGIONAL ASSEMBLY PREPARATIONS
- Presentation on Regional Preparatory Meetings by each of the six regions (30 minutes)
- Slate presentation for the International Youth Committee; the slate has been prepared by a Nominating Committee (5 minutes)

9:40 – 10:00 COFFEE BREAK
During the coffee break, participants may submit written comments and suggestions in a designated box for consideration by the Nominating Committee

10:00 – 10:20 THE YOUTH’S ROLE IN ADVANCING SHARED WELL-BEING
- Address: **Dr. William F. Vendley**, Secretary General, Religions for Peace (10 minutes)
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: Mr. Christopher Zefting, Program Officer, Religions for Peace International

- **Group 2:** Advancing Shared Well-Being by Preventing and Transforming Violent Conflicts
  Co-Facilitators: Ms. Meera Santosh, Religions for Peace Myanmar; Mr. Shameer Rishad, Religions for Peace India

- **Group 3:** Advancing Shared Well-Being by Promoting Just and Harmonious Societies
  Facilitator: Mr. Eloi Deschamps, Project Manager Development and Partnerships at Coexister, France

- **Group 4:** Advancing Shared Well-Being by Working for Sustainable and Integral Human Development
  Facilitator: Ms. Agatha Mossne Sagne, Co-Chair, Africa Interfaith Youth Network; Pan-Africa Coordinator, International Young Catholic Students (IYCS)

- **Group 5:** Advancing Shared Well-Being by Protecting the Earth
  Facilitator: Mr. Marcelo Leites, Religions for Peace International Youth Committee Member; Executive Director, Eco Justice Global Program, World Student Christian Federation (WSCF)

12:45 – 13:45 LUNCH

The 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. Outgoing members of the International Youth Committee (IYC) and a representative of Religions for Peace International will constitute the Nominating Committee.

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

Groups report back: The rapporteur of each group reports back to the Youth Pre-Assembly on the results of the group work (7 minutes per group, each followed by 7 minutes of questions and answers)

15:00 – 16:00 THE WAY FORWARD

- Plenary discussion to identify key take-aways and central messages of the Youth Pre-Assembly for the World Assembly as well as next steps beyond the Assembly (50 minutes)
- Vote on the slate for the International Youth Committee (5 minutes)
- Concluding Remarks (5 minutes)