

RELIGIONS FOR PEACE 10th World Assembly

The Ring for Peace

An Interfaith Symbol of Peace

The *Ring for Peace* sheds light on the guiding theme of the 10th World Assembly and is introduced as a permanent symbol of peace between the religions. The ring stands as a connecting element, which is not fixed to one religion or excludes another. In many world religions, the ring symbolizes loyalty, truthfulness and honesty. The Buddhist Wheel of Life, the signet ring of the Prophet Mohammed in Islam, the Ring of Solomon in Judaism or Lessing's Ring Parable, are only a few examples.

As a "round whole", equal and absolute in itself, the ring symbolizes the complementary and mutually completing nature of world religions, whose unity embodies the entirety of the consciousness.

The Design

The Templin wood designer Gisbert Baarmann will build the 7.5 meter high wooden ring in the form of a Moebius strip. The ring will be built from larch wood; 36 woods from all over the world and from certified cultivation will be integrated into the large sculpture.

The sculpture will be erected in early August in the Lindau Luitpoldpark, directly on the shores of Lake Constance.

The Ceremony and the Campaign

To mark the opening of the World Assembly, an interfaith and spiritual ceremony with all delegates and many guests will take place on 20 August in Lindau at the *Ring for Peace* on the island in Luitpold Park. From here, a greeting of peace from each religion will be sent around the world.

The ring will remain there permanently and will also provide a place for interfaith ceremonies and meetings in Lindau in future.

Ring for Peace is the campaign of the Foundation for the Peace Dialog of World Religions and Civil Society together with the 10th World Assembly of *Religions for Peace*.



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