

## 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

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### 7:30-9:00 REGISTRATION

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### 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*

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### 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

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### 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

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## 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

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## 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

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## 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)

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## 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

