



International Seminar
18th May 2010

**Religions and the Building of Peace:
Fostering Intercultural and Interreligious Cooperation
and Action for a Culture of Peace**

**Geneva,
Palais des Nations
Human Rights and Alliance of Civilizations Room
(Room XX)**

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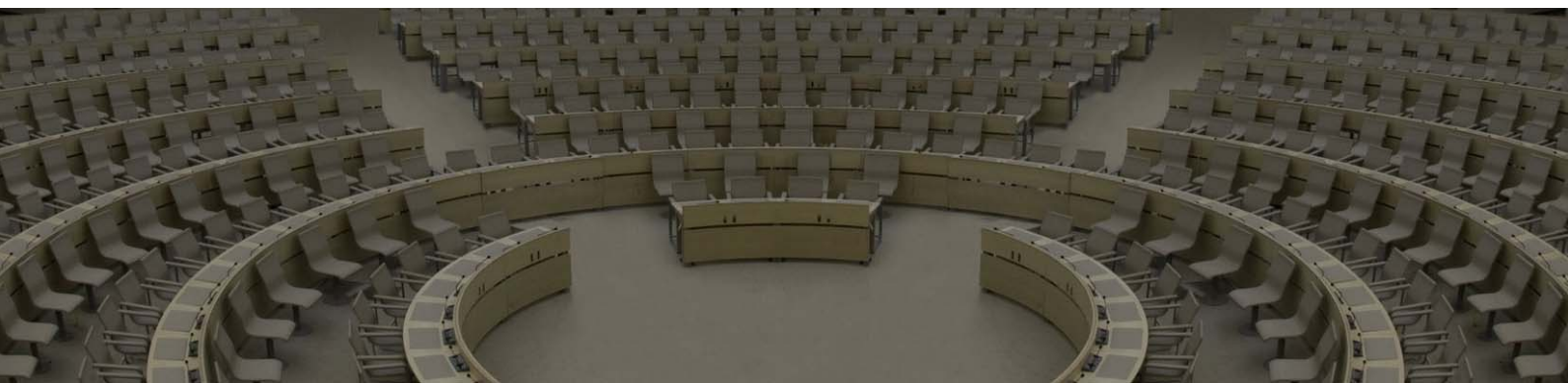


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Draft Programme

08:30-09:30 - Registration

09:30-10:15 - Opening Session

10:15-10:30 - Break

10:30-12:30 - 1st Plenary: Acknowledging and Promoting the Role of Religions in the Building of Peace

Main topics:

- Building on common values: the central role of religions and beliefs in the building of a culture of peace
- Stressing the preventive capacities of interreligious inter-action
- Dealing with misperceptions and stereotypes, enhancing the visibility of interreligious cooperation and action for peace

12:30-14:30 - Lunch time

14:30-16:30 - 2nd Plenary: Fostering Intercultural and Interreligious Dialogue, Cooperation and Action for a Culture of Peace

Main topics:

- The links between intercultural and interreligious dialogue and action
- The United Nations General Assembly process on *Intercultural and Interreligious Understanding and Cooperation for Peace*.
- The proposal for a *United Nations Decade of Interreligious and Intercultural Dialogue, Understanding and Cooperation for Peace*