

UPF Europe and Middle East Newsletter September 2025

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Highlights

UPF Celebrates 20 Years of Global Peacebuilding



This month marks the 20th anniversary of the founding of UPF, inaugurated on September 12, 2005.

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UPF UK Observes UN International Day of Peace & 20th Anniversary



On 27 September 2025, UPF UK and FFWPU UK held a joint commemorative event at the Peace Embassy in Thornton Heath, London.

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UPF Austria Celebrates its 20th anniversary



UPF Austria celebrated its 20th anniversary on 24 September 2025 with a review of 20 years of exciting UPF activities.

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[UPF Albania Celebrates 20 Years in the Service of Peace](#)



Peace Embassy, Tirana, 12 September 2025 - UPF Albania celebrated the 20th anniversary of UPF and the UN International Day of Peace.

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Human Rights

[UPF Holds Side Event on “Japan and Human Rights”](#)



Geneva, September 26, 2025 — During the 60th session of the UN Human Rights Council, UPF hosted a side event titled “*Japan and Human Rights*.”

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Freedom of Religion

[UPF UK Discusses ‘Media Bias and Democratic Freedoms: Protecting Religious Minorities’](#)



UPF–UK and IMAP held a hybrid event on 30 September 2025 on the topic: ‘Media Bias and Democratic Freedoms: Protecting Religious Minorities’.

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UN International Days

[Statement by UPF on the International Day of Peace](#)

2025



Statement by the Universal Peace Federation on the International Day of Peace 2025 and Conclusion of the 100 Days Campaign.

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UPF Munich Celebrates the International Day of Peace



On the occasion of the International Day of Peace, UPF Munich and WFPW Germany hosted a morning event on Saturday, September 27, 2025.

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International Day of Peace Celebrated in Zurich



On September 27, 2025, approximately 45 people gathered in Zurich, Switzerland, to celebrate the International Day of Peace.

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UPF Norway Celebrates the International Day of Peace



The UN International Day of Peace was celebrated in the main library in Oslo, Norway, on the 22nd September 2025.

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Celebrating Peace Together: Families Mark the International Day of Peace in Moldova



On 21 September 2025, UPF – Moldova held a vibrant and heartwarming event which brought together children and their families.

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UPF Iceland Celebrates International Day of Peace



On September 21, 2025, UPF Iceland hosted a commemorative event together with representatives of Iceland's interfaith community.

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International Day of Peace Celebrated in France



On 21 September 2025, the International Day of Peace was celebrated in Rennes, a city in the West of France.

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[UPF Slovakia Holds Ukrainian Cultural Evening “The Road to Peace”](#)



Bratislava, September 19, 2025 - To commemorate the International Day of Peace 2025, UPF Slovakia organized an event focused on Ukraine.

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[UPF Ireland Holds Its Annual Peace Road Walk & Forum](#)



On 21 September 2025, UPF Ireland held its Peace Road Walk & Forum entitled "*An Gorta Mór*" – *The Great Famine* – creating a successful nation by overcoming famine legacy".

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[UPF Austria Holds Peace Road Event on International Day of Peace](#)



On 21 September 2025, UPF Austria held an Interfaith breakfast and Peace Road to commemorate the International Day of Peace.

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[Peace Road Armenia 2025: March to Mount Azhdahak](#)



On September 21, 2025, — UPF Armenia celebrated the country's Independence Day and International Day of Peace with a Peace Road activity.

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Education

UPF Birmingham Experiences "a Day to Remember"



On September 20th, 2025, the Birmingham branch of UPF UK and WFPW hosted a 1-day Principles of Peace seminar.

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Humanitarian Activities

UPF Lebanon Distributes Food Donation Boxes in Saida



Saida, 14 September 2025 - This month UPF Lebanon was invited by Sheikh Sohayb to join the birthday celebration of the Prophet Muhammad.

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Interreligious Activities

UPF France Holds 48th Dialogue & Alliance Forum



The 48th scriptural meeting of the Interreligious Forum *Dialogue & Alliance* was held on September 28, 2025 was devoted to "fraternity".

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Other Activities

[UPF Italy Participates in HBM Project](#)



On 22 September 2025, UPF Italy participated in the "Modelling Business Communication with a Human Touch" or HBM Project.

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[IAPD Italy Holds Webinar on Marriage and Family](#)



IAPD Italy held a webinar entitled "The Gift of Love: Marriage and Family" on Thursday, September 18, 2025.

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[UPF Giessen Holds International Café on ‘Japan, home of my heart’](#)



In the International Café on 13 September, 2025, Christine Sato, a native of Styria, gave her presentation the title: 'Japan, home of my heart'.

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[UPF Austria and Pen Club Austria Co-hosts Literature and Culture Evening](#)



On September 12th, UPF Austria and the Pen Club Austria co-hosted a Literature and Culture Evening entitled "Nostalgia".

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UPF Albania Signs Cooperation Agreement With Lushnjë



Lushnjë, 3 September 2025 - a Memorandum of Cooperation was signed between UPF Albania and the Municipality of Lushnjë.

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