

CREATING RESILIENT COMMUNITIES FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE

**FEBRUARY 26-MARCH 1
2026**

Roles of Business and Civil Society

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25

16:00-17:30

Pre-Conference Panel

“The Case for the Nexus:
Economic Prosperity and
Peace”

Panel Lead:

Dr. Dorothy Nyambi, Canada

DAY 1 – THURSDAY, FEB 26

12:00-13:00

Registration

13:00-14:30

Welcome

Plenary Address

Dr. Dorothy Nyambi, Canada

14:30-16:00

**Towards Transformation –
Culture & Memory in Building
Resilience & Social Cohesion**

Dr. Dong Jin Kim, South Korea

Dominyka Svilytė, Lithuania

Dmytro Fedorchak, Ukraine

16:00-16:30

Coffee Break

16:30-18:00

Workshops 1

18:00-19:30

Dinner

19:30-21:00

Theatre – “Telling Stories”

Raffi Feghali, Netherlands

DAY 2 – FRIDAY, FEB 27

8:30-9:00

Coffee

9:00-9:30

Plenary Address

Dr. Dorothy Nyambi

9:30-11:00

**Civil Society, Faith, and
Dialogue for Local Stability**

Dr. Andrew Suderman, USA

Dr. Ina Merdjanova, Ireland/Bulgaria

Dr. Ivana Bendra & Dr. Igor Jakobfi,

Croatia

11:00-11:30

Coffee Break

11:30-12:30

**Empowering Youth:
Pedagogy, Service, and Social
Entrepreneurship**

Tigist Tesfaye, Ethiopia

Kubra Kaya, Lithuania/Turkey

*Gretchen Ketner & Ashley Ray, USA/
LCC*

12:30-13:00

Student Presentation

Sofya Detkina, Kazakhstan

13:00-14:30

Lunch

14:30-16:00

Workshops 2

16:00-16:30

Coffee Break

16:30-17:15

Processing Group Dialogue

17:15-18:00

Peace Vigil

18:00-19:30

Dinner

19:30-21:00

Theatre – “The Showcase”

Raffi Feghali & Workshop Participants

DAY 3 – SATURDAY, FEB 28

8:30-9:00

Coffee

9:00-9:30

Plenary Address

Dr. Virginija Poškutė, Lithuania

9:30-11:00

**Critical Governance,
Institutions, and
Accountability**

*Jolanta Blažaitė & Andres Falconer,
Lithuania, Brazil*

Maria Lam, Hong Kong/LCC

Milvydas Knyzelis, Lithuania

11:00-12:00

Lunch

12:15-19:00

Excursion Options

“Klaipeda Memories and Civil
Society’s Resilience Walk”

Ravyda Vaišvilaitė, Lithuania

“Hill of Crosses – A Testament
to Society’s Silent Resilience”

19:00-20:30

Dinner

DAY 4 – SUNDAY, MAR 1

9:30-10:00

Coffee

10:00-10:30

Plenary Address

Dr. Virginija Poškutė

10:30-11:30

**Redefining Economic Systems
for Social Cohesion and Care**

*Dr. Elena Šiaudvytienė, Lithuania/
LCC*

Lane Miller, USA

Henrika Rugine; Saidas Rafijevas;

*Indre Razbadauskaite Venske,
Lithuania*

11:30-12:30

Reflections and Farewell

12:30-14:30

Lunch and Departures



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