

扶輪基金會主委文告



在 2 月 23 日，扶輪社員將慶祝世界和平及瞭解日——扶輪創立第 113 週年。

從我們組織的早期以來，和平一直是我們組織的核心。我們於 1921 年在蘇格蘭愛丁堡訂定第四項扶輪宗旨。我們在倫敦與其他組織一起播下的種子，在第二次世界大戰之後成為聯合國教科文組織 (UNESCO)。1940 年在哈瓦那，我們通過一項決議，呼籲「自由、正義、真理、承諾的神聖性、及尊重人權」，後來成為聯合國 1948 年世界人權宣言的基本架構。

我們積極參與成立聯合國。1945 年草擬聯合國憲章時，多達 50 個扶輪社員在舊金山會議擔任代表、參議、及顧問。今天，將近 73 年後，扶輪仍在聯合國保持所有非政府組織之中的最高顧問地位。我們有一些扶輪和平獎學金學生在聯合國機關工作。扶輪的駐聯合國代表們每年 11 月也舉辦扶輪日，來慶祝我們的和平夥伴關係。

今天我們也和經濟與和平研究所建立新的夥伴關係，該研究所是由科技企業家史帝夫·奇樂利 Steve Killelea 在澳大利亞成立。它強調的正向的和平，建立在八大「支柱」之上：運作正常的政府、健全的企業環境、公平的資源分配、尊重他人權益、良好的鄰居關係、自由的資訊流通、高水平的人力儲備、以及鮮少的貪腐。

從現在到 6 月，我們有機會在全世界六大城市參加社長萊斯禮的社長和平會議。請至網頁 rotary.org/presidentialconferences 查看詳情。

我們將繼續探索和平八大支柱如何與我們的焦點領域相結合。我們也正和芝加哥大學合作舉辦「和平之路」一系列演講，闡述為和平和衝突預防及解決領域的重要學者、從業人員、扶輪和平獎學金學生、及思想家之事蹟。請至 bit.ly/2j9cSUh 觀看其中於 9 月舉辦的第一個演講。

我們將和我們的夥伴們一起努力，為我們自己在和平領域建立起全球思想家及領導人的地位，以促進瞭解、親善、及國際和平。

讓我們在和平之路上一起努力。

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我們在傾聽！

MESSAGE FROM THE FOUNDATION CHAIR



On 23 February, Rotarians will celebrate World Peace and Understanding Day – the 113th anniversary of Rotary's founding.

Peace has been at the core of our organization from its earliest days. We established the Fourth Object of Rotary in Edinburgh, Scotland, in 1921. We were in London when the seeds were sown for what became UNESCO after World War II. In Havana in 1940, we adopted a resolution calling for “freedom, justice, truth, sanctity of the pledged word, and respect for human rights,” which became the framework for the United Nations' Universal Declaration of Human Rights in 1948.

We were active in the formation of the United Nations. In 1945, almost 50 Rotarians served as delegates, consultants, and advisers at the San Francisco Conference when the UN charter was written. Today, almost 73 years later, Rotary maintains the highest consultative status with the United Nations of any nongovernmental organization. A number of our Rotary Peace Fellows work in UN agencies. Rotary's representatives to the UN also host a Rotary Day every November to celebrate our partnership for peace.

Today we also have a new partnership with the Institute for Economics and Peace, which was founded in Australia by tech entrepreneur Steve Killelea. The institute emphasizes what is called positive peace, based on eight “pillars” : a well-functioning government, a sound business environment, equitable distribution of resources, acceptance of the rights of others, good relations with neighbors, free flow of information, high levels of human capital, and low levels of corruption.

Between now and June, we have the opportunity to participate in Rotary President Ian H.S. Riseley's Presidential Peacebuilding Conferences in six cities across the world. Take a look online at rotary.org/presidentialconferences.

We will continue to explore how the eight pillars of peace align with our areas of focus. We also are joining with the University of Chicago to host Pathways to Peace, a series of talks featuring leading scholars, practitioners, Rotary Peace Fellows, and thinkers in the field of peace and conflict prevention and resolution. Watch the first one, which was held in September, at bit.ly/2j9cSUh.

Together with our partners, we will work to establish ourselves as global thinkers and leaders to advance understanding, goodwill, and international peace.

Let us work together on this journey.

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FOUNDATION TRUSTEE CHAIR

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your peacebuilding projects.**

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