Commemorating the 20th Anniversary of the International Year of the Family

Conference on:
«Family Values and their link to Economic Well-Being and Social Outcomes.»
June 30 - July 1, 2014, Geneva, Switzerland

Draft Programme

MONDAY, JUNE 30, 2014 - UN OFFICES GENEVA, HALL XXV

10:00 AM  Welcoming remarks:
Heiner W. HANDSCHIN, Director UPF Office for UN relations, Geneva
Paul Y.S. AN, Chairman UPF Europe and President FFWPU Europe

10:15 AM  Session I: Sustainable Family Values as a Means to Create a Stable and Prosperous Society and Nation:
Hans STOECKLI, Senator, Swiss Federal Parliament, Bern (inv.)
Lynn WALSH, Director Office for Marriage & Family, UPF, New York, USA
Richard KANE, President The Marriage Week International, UK
Carolyn HANDSCHIN, President WFWPI Europe

11:30 AM  Break

11:45 AM  Session II: Family Breakdown and the Weakening of Marriage and Family through current Family Policies.
Harry BENSON, Research Director, The Marriage Foundation UK
Anna ZABORSKA, Member of the European Parliament, Slovakia
Maria HILDINGSSON, Secretary General, FAFCE, Brussels
Yves NIDEGGER, MP Swiss Federal Parliament, Bern (inv.)
Stephen STACEY, Educator and Marital-family Policy Specialist, Finland

1:00 PM  Lunch Break

3:00 PM  Session III: Marriage and Family Policy in the West - where do we go from here?
Karl-Christian HAUSMANN, Vice-President CDU Stuttgart, Germany
Josie HAUER, US –Department of Health and Social Services, Bridgeport, USA
Zeljka MARKIC, President “In the Name of the Family”, Croatia
Walter BAAR, Director of the Institute for Trends Research in Austria

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4:30 PM  Break
   Hafid OUARDIRI, President FONDATION ENTRECONNAISSANCE, Geneva (inv.)
   Nancy SONNTAG LYON, UN Representative, Latter Day Saint Charities, Geneva
   Josef MISSETHON, CEO Institute for Education and Human Ressource Management, Linz, Austria
   Timothy MILLER, Vice-President FFWPU – Europe, Hastings UK

6:00 PM  Closing

Tuesday, July 1, 2014 - UN Offices Geneva, Hall XXV

Workshop Session and Discussion Forum

10:00 AM  Marriage and Family Policy in the West - where do we go from here?
          (Advocacy and capacity building)
          Moderator: Stephen STACEY

          Josie HAUER, Department of Health and Social Services, USA
          Harry BENSON, The Marriage Foundation, UK

11:30 AM  Break

12:00 AM  Marriage and Family Policy in the West - where do we go from here?
          (Alliances and strategy for a way forward)
          Moderator: Karl-Christian HAUSMANN

          Richard KANE, the Marriage week International, UK
          Maria HILDINGSSON, FAFCE, Brussels

01:30 PM  Lunch break

03:00 PM  Concluding Session, Discussion and Resolution and Closing

05:00 PM  Closing