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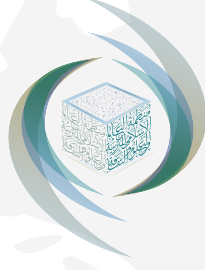
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# Background and Rationale

Challenges to peace and security have multiplied in our world, hindering multiple efforts to achieve social and human development and build strong human capital. According to the Global Peace Index 2021, more than 60% of people worldwide fear serious harm from violent crime, while the economic impact of violence increased in 2020 to \$1496 trillion, equivalent to 11.6% of global GDP or \$1,942 per person – due to increased military spending. According to the Global Peace Index 2024, the level of conflict increased worldwide in 2024 more than it was in 2008, making 2024 the least peaceful year since the launch of the report.

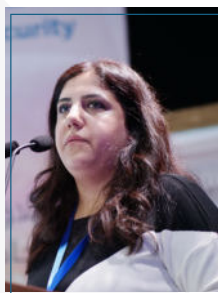
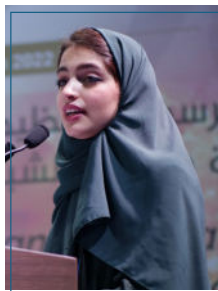
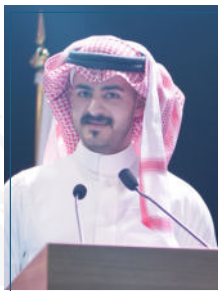
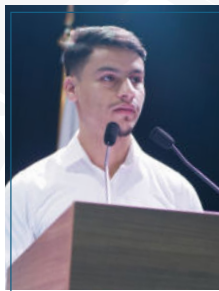
The context of the polycrisis in which we are living is worsening the security situation in many parts of the world, where climate change, food insecurity, poverty and other scourges were already fertile ground for violent extremism and other threats to peace. Yet, the several tools of peacebuilding such as mobilizing social actors for peace, promoting inter-religious and intercultural dialogue, building broad coalitions of peace entrepreneurs, training and education for peace, remain largely unexploited.

Building peace requires the training and mobilization of key social actors who can spearhead social transformation by working to create an environment that is more conducive to social cohesion. Young people and women leaders are of particular importance, because

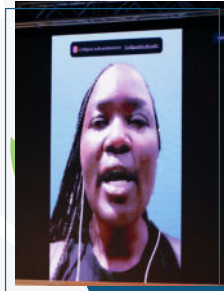
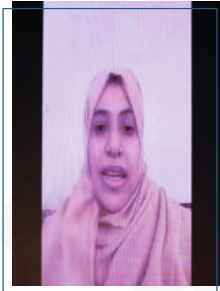
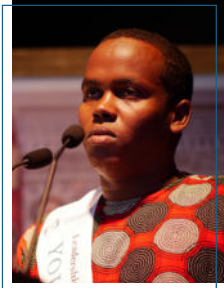
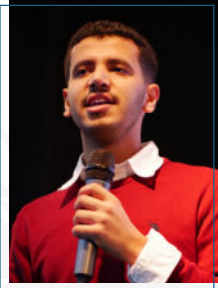
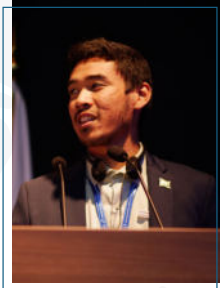
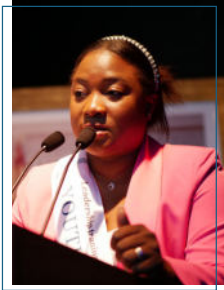
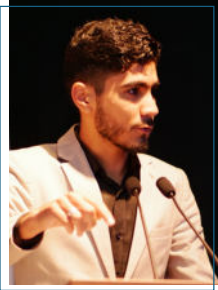
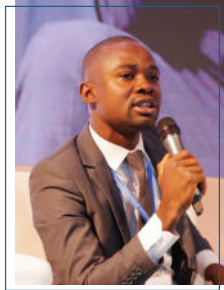
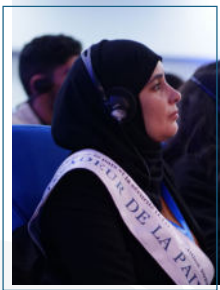
of the central role they have to play in processes of social transformation, especially in peacebuilding, promoting dialogue and preventing violence and extremism.

There is therefore a need for programs that target potential or accomplished leaders and provide them with tools to engage their peers in the peacebuilding agenda. This training will equip them with the knowledge tools through a holistic approach to peace while strengthening their leadership to make them real agents of change at the community and global level. It will also leverage the power and reach of information technologies to bring together people from different cultures and backgrounds to engage and share a common journey of advocacy for peace and dialogue.

To cater to these needs, ICESCO has developed the Leadership Training in Peace and Security (LTIPS) program as part of its commitment through its policies, strategies and programs to promote and strengthen peace by adopting a holistic and multisectoral approach. The LTIPS program is in line with several other programs, such as the project on a Master in Artificial Intelligence Applied to Peace, the Capacity Building sessions at the ICESCO Regional Center for Education for the Culture of Peace in Yamoussoukro, Côte d'Ivoire, and the pilot project on the introduction of the Peace 360° approach in the curricula.







# The Leadership Training In Peace And Security (LTIPS) Program



## General objective

The objective of LTIPS is to train and mobilize leaders who are agents of change for peace and dialogue to build the societies we want. It is about building a network of youth, women and religious leaders who are ambassadors for peace in their communities by providing them with knowledge and leadership tools, through interaction with inspiring leaders and expert trainers and supporting them in taking initiatives and projects for peace and social cohesion.



### Specific objectives

- Prepare a critical mass of youth and women leaders for peace to become agents of change in their communities.
- Encourage and promote female leadership as an effective role model for building equal, inclusive and prosperous societies.
- Capitalize on the experience and the network of trainers developed by ICESCO's Regional Center for Education in the Culture of Peace (CRECP) to disseminate the knowledge that was built on a larger scale.
- To promote joint projects with ICESCO partners in the areas of peace and social cohesion.
- Promote innovation and creativity in peace and social cohesion projects, promoting the initiatives of youth, women and religious leaders.
- Build a global network of peace and intercultural dialogue entrepreneurs through learning and sharing experiences and building coalitions of actors for change.
- To publicize and promote among young people the work of leaders and personalities who are role models for peace, citizenship, social cohesion and dialogue among civilizations.
- To enable experts and researchers to share the results of their research with actors in the field to connect research and action.

### Targets

The program will target youth and female leaders from around the world, with gender parity. These leaders will be selected from civil society and community-based organizations that have demonstrated a strong commitment to peace and a strong potential for social and community mobilization in the past.

### Projects and initiatives for peace and social cohesion

To enable the beneficiaries to put into practice the concepts and skills accumulated during the training, each of the trainees will submit a peace and social cohesion project and they will receive technical support during the incubation retreat as well as financial support and mentorship to implement the project. To encourage their creativity and foster their motivation, the most innovative projects will be specially rewarded.

# Facts and figures of LTIPS-2021

**Young  
leaders, men  
and women,  
trained and  
mobilized**



**From 22 countries in  
Africa, Asia, the Middle  
East and**

**30 Youth Peace  
Ambassadors trained  
and mobilized**

**Including 20 young  
women leaders**



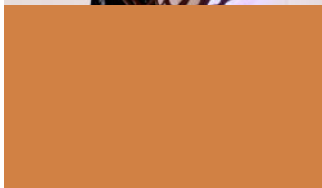
**300 observers  
attended the online  
training**

**20 Peace Initiatives  
and Projects  
submitted**

**4 innovative projects  
rewarded, financed and  
implemented**



**More than 100,000  
young people reached  
through social media  
platforms**



# Facts and figures of LTIPS-2022

**Young  
leaders, men  
and women,  
trained and  
mobilized**



**From 45 countries in  
Africa, Asia, the Middle  
East**

**50 Youth Peace  
Ambassadors trained  
and mobilized**

**Including 27 young  
women leaders**



**150 young  
observers**

**30 Peace Initiatives  
and Projects  
Submitted**

**5 innovative projects  
rewarded, financed and  
in the process of being  
implemented**



**More than 100,000  
young people reached  
through social media  
platforms**

# Facts and figures of LTIPS 2023-2024

Young  
leaders, men  
and women  
trained and  
mobilized



From 68 countries in  
Africa, Asia, the Middle  
East, Europe, South  
America, Central  
America and the  
Caribbean

100 Youth Peace  
ambassadors trained  
and mobilized

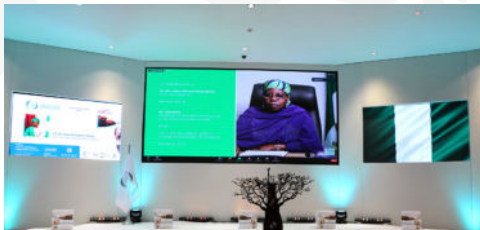
Including 55 young  
women leaders



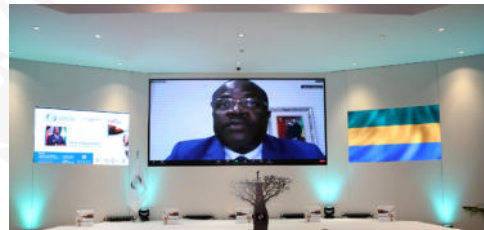
More than 200,000  
young people reached  
through social media  
platforms

## Inspirational Leaders 2021

They are personalities whose backgrounds, experience and achievements can inspire candidates, while providing practical advice on how to be a Leader and a peace Ambassador. The participation of inspiring leaders allows for intergenerational dialogue on peace, gender issues and social cohesion. Below are some inspiring leaders from LTIPS 2021.



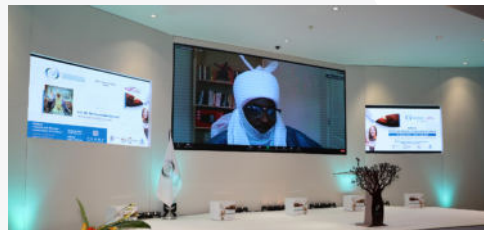
**H.E Aisha Muhammadu Buhari,**  
*First Lady of Nigeria*



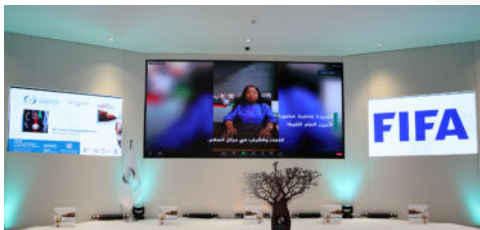
**H.E President Ali Bongo Ondimba**  
*of Gabon*



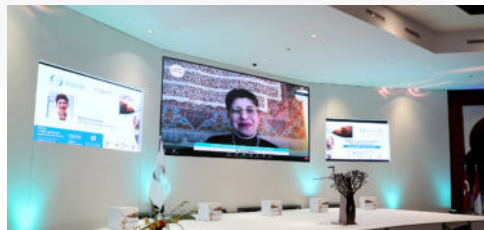
**Tun Musa Hitam**  
*Former Deputy Prime Minister of Malaysia*



**His Highness Muhammadu Sanusi II**  
*14<sup>th</sup> Emir of Kano and UN SDG Advocate Samoura*



**H.E Fatma Samba Samoura**  
*Secretary General of FIFA*



**H.E Prof Azza Karam**  
*President Religions for Peace*

## Inspirational Leaders 2022

They are personalities whose backgrounds, experience and achievements can inspire candidates, while providing practical advice on how to be a Leader and Ambassador of Peace. The participation of inspiring leaders allows for intergenerational dialogue on peace, gender issues and social cohesion. Below are a few:



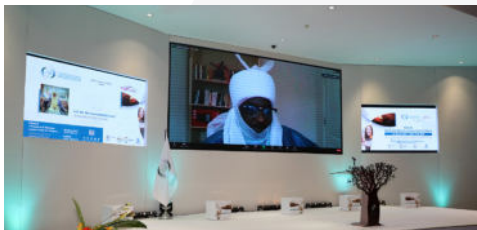
**Son Excellence Monsieur Azali Assoumani**

Président de l'Union des Comores - Président en exercice de l'Union Africaine



**Son Excellence Yayi Boni**

Ancien Président de la République du Bénin - Ancien Président en exercice de l'Union Africaine



**His Highness Muhammadu Sanusi II**

14<sup>th</sup> Emir of Kano  
United Nations Sustainable Development Goals Advocate



**Mrs Ramata Almamy Mbaye**

Director Social and Human Sciences Sector, ICESCO.



**Son Excellence M. Mohamed Mehdi Bensaid**

Ministre de la Jeunesse, de la Culture et de la Communication  
Royaume du Maroc



**His Excellency Mr. Bakary Y. Badjie**

Minister of Youth and Sports of The Republic of The Gambia

## Inspirational Leaders 2023-2024

Ministers, Heads of State and Government or world leaders in their fields of expertise, these are personalities whose careers, experience and achievements are sources of inspiration for the young ambassadors. The participation of inspiring leaders allows for intergenerational dialogue on key themes such as: peace, gender issues and social cohesion, climate change, entrepreneurship, socio-cultural heritage and peace, etc. Below are a few:



**His Excellency Mr. Yoweri Museveni**  
*President of the Republic of Uganda*



**His Excellency Mr. Farid Gayibov**  
*Minister of Youth and Sports of the Republic of Azerbaijan*



**His Excellency Aydin Karimov**  
*Special Representative of the President of Azerbaijan  
in the Chucha District*



**His Excellency Peter Ogwang**  
*Minister of State for Education and Sport*



**His Excellency Mr. Isa Ali Ibrahim**  
*former Minister of Communication of Nigeria (2019-2023) & Co-Chair of the African Council for Scientific Research and Innovation*

## Training & Trainers

They are experts in different aspects of peace issues who will provide training in various modules



**10 holistic training modules**  
delivered as part of the program



**A pool of international expert trainers**  
from all regions of the world

## The 10 LTIPS modules

The LTIPS modules are designed to reflect ICESCO's 360° approach to peace, which takes into consideration the different factors that interact to make or break peace. They also reflect the practical dimension of training aimed at equipping Young Ambassadors of Peace with the tools to fulfill their mission.

Group	Modules
<b>1- Be a leader for peace</b>	<b>1-</b> Leadership for Peace: From Theory to Practice <b>2-</b> Culture of peace
<b>2- Peace 360°: A Holistic Approach to Peace and Security</b>	<b>3-</b> Cultural, psychosocial and gender dimensions of peace and security <b>4-</b> Economic and demographic dimensions of peace and security <b>5-</b> Natural resources, food security and the environmental dimensions of peace and security
<b>3- Opening the Peacebuilding Toolbox</b>	<b>6-</b> Prevention of Violent Extremism, Conflict Management and Peacebuilding <b>7-</b> Women and youth as peacebuilders <b>8-</b> Religions, human rights and endogenous knowledge for peace <b>9-</b> Communications, Art and Sports for Peace <b>10-</b> Design and implement peace projects and initiatives

### The ICESCO Book of Peace

The LTIPS programme has proven to be an inclusive and multidimensional dialogue where every voice for peace counts, where different perspectives are fertilized to result in a 360° approach to peace. Therefore, based on the enlightening discussions of the program and the content of the training, ICESCO published the book entitled: "360° Peace: Looking at the Multiple Dimensions of Peace." His Excellency President Macky Sall of Senegal and outgoing Chairperson of the African Union signed the foreword.

Each edition of the LTIPS will be an opportunity to capitalize on the diverse and rich interventions towards a Book of Peace



### The ICESCO Book of Peace, Second Edition 2023

The second edition of ICESCO's Book of Peace is entitled: **"360° Peace From Words to Action: Building Synergies and Strengthening Partnerships for Peace."** For this edition, we were honored by H.E. Mr. Azali Assoumani, President of the Union of the Comoros and current Chairperson of the African Union, who signed the preface.

**The second edition in figures :** 1 Head of State, 1 former Head of State, 4 messages from the Director General of ICESCO, 3 world leaders, 3 ministers, 6 articles by ICESCO Directors and experts, 10 articles by partner institutions and international organizations, 5 articles on a particular theme: sport and peace, 6 articles by academics and experts, 15 articles by young leaders from 13 countries

#### **The themes dealt with in the second edition in relation to Peace :**

Artificial Intelligence - Education - Research - Environment and Natural Resources  
- Artificial Intelligence - Trade - Large Group Identity (Psychology) - Culture - Communication - Sport - Culture - Communication - Sport - Youth Leadership



## Projects funded under the LTIPS 2021 competition: best peace initiatives

- Ms. Doris Saba, Lebanon, Cinema for Peace
- Ms. Lama Ranjou, Syria: Educating and Advocating: Euphrates River Project
- Ms. Aziza Laghzal, Morocco: Spreading a culture of tolerance and citizenship in educational institutions through drawing and the visual arts.
- Ms. Aishatu Alhaji Kabu, Nigeria: Capacity Building Initiative on "Strengthening the Role of Women and Youth in Countering Violent Extremism and Community Participation"

## Projects funded through the LTIPS 2022 competition: best peace initiatives

- Ms. Grace Orao, Republic of Kenya: Peace Center project.
- Mr. Anas Hameeyae, Kingdom of Thailand: Peace Hackathon.
- Mr. Sibite Hassan, Republic of Pakistan: Peace Theatre Project.
- Mrs. Faiznat Mze Issilame, from the Republic of the Comoros: Peace Fair project
- Ms. Aoussinsa Pierrette Tizi, from the Republic of Cameroon: Project for the Rehabilitation of Women Formerly Affiliated with Boko Haram in the Mayo Sava Region

# Highlights of the LTIPS 2023-2024 program

The 2023-2024 edition of the LTIPS programme has not only strengthened the achievements of previous editions but has also scaled up the programme in terms of youth participation and the commitment of policymakers and world leaders. The 2023-2024 edition of the LTIPS program has thus established an international framework for networking and good practices sharing inspired by young people.

- Celebration of the 20th Anniversary of the Afro-Arab Youth Council in Uganda

15 young ambassadors for peace took part in person from March 04 to 10, 2024 in the launch of the 2023-2024 edition of the LTIPS program in the Republic of Uganda during the celebration of the 20th anniversary of the Afro-Arabe Youth Council.

- International forum "By Youth For Youth" in Azerbaijan

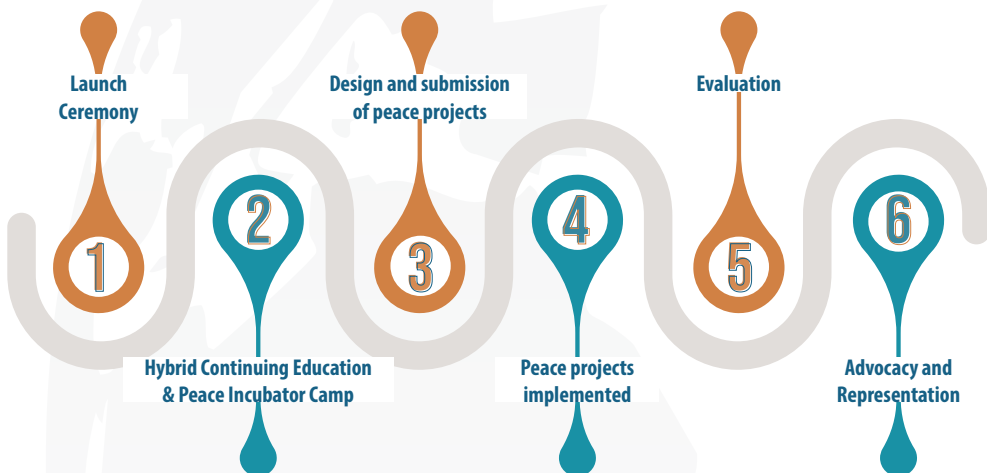
The international forum "By Youth For Youth" held from 24 to 28 June 2024 in Baku and Shusha in the Republic of Azerbaijan was the culmination of the 2023-2024 edition of the LTIPS programme. It brought together about 100 youth peace ambassadors from 40 ICESCO member countries around four central themes: peace and well-being, climate change, entrepreneurship and cultural heritage. The forum was concluded with the development by the youth of a declaration entitled "Shusha Baku Youth Action Plan for a Sustainable Future in the Islamic World."

## Mentoring for Peace from World Leaders

As an integral part of the programme, the Global Leaders for Peace Mentorship Framework provides a unique opportunity for intergenerational dialogue between former Heads of State and Government who have made an outstanding contribution to peace and social cohesion in their countries and around the world and the Youth Peace Ambassadors.

The mentorship of global peace leaders takes place through a series of face-to-face or virtual dialogues aimed at passing on the wealth of lessons and experiences on leadership for peace accumulated over the years by past presidents to new generations of young peace ambassadors.

## Overview of the LTIPS Program Process











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