

# Tampere Peace Day 2024: *(Re)Searching Peace*

## PROGRAMME OF THE EVENT

December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024, 10.15-17, followed by reception from 17.30 - 19.00 at Tampere City Hall

10:15 - 10:20	<b>Opening Remarks</b> by <b>Marko Lehti</b> , Research Director of TAPRI – Tampere Peace Research Institute
10:20 - 10:23	<b>Video Greeting</b> from <b>Pekka Haavisto</b> , Member of the Finnish Parliament
10:23 – 10:30	<b>Opening Speech</b> by <b>Claus Lindroos</b> , Director of the Centre for Peace Mediation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
10:30 - 11:15	<b>Keynote Address - <i>(Re)searching for Peace Between Everyday Violences and Violent Everyday</i></b> by <b>Swati Parashar</b> , Professor in Peace and Development at the School of Global Studies, Gothenburg University, Sweden
11:15 - 12:30	<b>Plenary Session - <i>Pluralities of Peace</i></b> Defining peace is a complex task that resists simple answers. It is a potent and empowering concept with numerous meanings that evolve through the experiences and practices of individuals, communities, and institutions. Peace encompasses everyday experiences as well as mediating practices at a global level. The panel will explore the diverse perspectives on peace by examining various conceptualizations and approaches to it. <b>Panelists:</b> <b>Swati Parashar</b> , Professor in Peace and Development Studies at the University of Gothenburg, <b>Saana Keskitalo</b> , Senior Manager at CMI- Martti Ahtisaari Peace Foundation, <b>Benjamin Klasche</b> , Senior Researcher and Lecturer of Politics and International Relations at Tallinn University, <b>Mikael Mattlin</b> , Deputy Director and Research Professor at FIIA – Finnish Institute of International Affairs, and <b>Élise Féron</b> , Senior Research Fellow at TAPRI – Tampere Peace Research Institute. <i>Moderated by Matthias Wevelsiep, Director of Programs and Operations at the Network for Religious and Traditional Peacemakers</i>
12:30 - 13:30	<b>Lunch</b> <i>(please note that lunch is self-organized and the programme does not cover the costs of the audience)</i>
13:30 – 14:45	<b>Parallel Breakout Sessions</b>
Session I Room A1	<b>AI, Future Wars, and What it Means for Peace Practitioners</b> This roundtable session creates a space for interdisciplinary dialogue, bringing together diverse perspectives beyond traditional peace research. Through focused discussions and expert insights, we will explore how AI is transforming conflict dynamics and challenging conventional approaches to peacemaking—both now and in the future. <b>Panelists:</b> <b>Antti Tarvainen</b> , Researcher at the Foundation of the Finnish Institute in the Middle East and Doctoral Researcher at the University of Helsinki, and <b>Petteri Hemminki</b> , Teacher of Military Technology at the Finnish National Defense University, and <b>Maria Mekri</b> , Executive Director of SaferGlobe. <b>AI speakers:</b> <b>Claude</b> (Philosopher), <b>Gemini</b> (Fact-Checker), and <b>ChatGPT</b> (Visionary and moderator) <i>Moderated by Matthias Wevelsiep, Director of Programs and Operations at the Network for Religious and Traditional Peacemakers and Johanna Poutanen, Head of Women in Peacemaking and Digital Peacemaking, CMI – Martti Ahtisaari Peace Foundation</i>
Session II Room A3	<b>Decolonizing Peace – Video Screening</b> Tampere Peace Day premiere of short videos on the theme Decolonising Peace. These videos are produced by students of the "Decolonizing Peace Participatory Video Course" (led by <b>Marjaana Jauhola</b> , <b>Kazimuddin Ahmed</b> and <b>Zahra Edalati</b> ) as part of their coursework using participatory methods and tools. <b>Student Contributions:</b> <b>The Role of Memory in Peace</b> Maël Castagnoli, Sebastiano Dri, Laura Häkkinen, Natalie Schirmacher, Kat Malkamäki <b>The Subjectivity of Peace</b> Dorotea Gravellino, Hakam Hamadon, Constance Nothomb, Kati Pitkäljärvi <b>Sense of Belonging: Foundation for Peace</b> Samudu Don, Viivi Kaario, Eriko Osada, Rinka Yamashima

	<p><b>Finland's Hushed Legacy</b> Bente Hussmann, Sofia Scapocchin, Annika Termonen, Ruie-Jalo Wijnschenk</p>
<p><b>Session III</b> <b>Room C8</b></p>	<p><b>The Role of Peace Education in Times of Uncertainty and Polarization</b> This panel discussion will delve into the role of peace education in an era characterized by increasing uncertainty, polarization, and global crises, showcasing its transformative potential in fostering nonviolent conflict resolution <b>Panelists:</b> <b>Daniel Munayer</b>, Executive Director of Musalaha, <b>Frans Kruger</b>, Associate Professor in Education at University of Nottingham, <b>Riikka Pöyhönen</b>, History and Social Studies Teacher and Teachers Without Borders Expert in Uganda (2022-23), and <b>Anush Petrosyan</b>, Doctoral Researcher at TAPRI – Tampere Peace Research Institute. <i>Moderated by Eeva-Liisa Kiiskilä, Leading Expert in Peace Education at the Peace Education Institute Finland.</i></p>
<p><b>Session IV</b> <b>Room D11</b></p>	<p><b>Feminist Visions of Peace: Perspectives on Building Inclusive Futures</b> This moderated panel discussion will bring together distinguished voices from practitioner and academic backgrounds to explore feminist visions of peace focusing on grassroots efforts and forward-looking strategies for building inclusive societies. <b>Panelists:</b> <b>Zahra Edalati</b>, Doctoral Researcher at TAPRI – Tampere Peace Research Institute, <b>Farah Selmi</b>, Lawyer and Human Rights Activist, and <b>Katja Vauhkonen</b>, Specialist in Peace and Reconciliation, Finnish Evangelical Lutheran Mission (Felm). <i>Moderated by Tarja Väyrynen, Professor of Peace and Conflict Research at TAPRI – Tampere Peace Research Institute</i></p>
<p><b>14:45 - 15:15</b></p>	<p><b>Coffee Break</b></p>
<p><b>15:15 - 16:45</b></p>	<p><b>Plenary Session - Embracing Pluralities of Peace: Mediating Practices and Agency within Evolving Multipolarity</b> The global systems for maintaining peace and security are perceived to be weakening, as evidenced by unresolved conflicts in places like Syria, Palestine, Ukraine, Myanmar, Yemen, Sudan, and the failure to build peace in Afghanistan. This panel explores emerging agencies and practices in this new multipolar era. <b>Panelists:</b> <b>Katariina Mustasilta</b>, Senior Research Fellow at FIIA – the Finnish Institute of International Affairs, <b>Omar Abdulaziz Hallaj</b>, Consultant and co-founder of LUGARIT, <b>Tetiana Kyselova</b>, Associate Professor at the Kyiv-Mohyla Academy, and <b>Peter Wallensteen</b>, Senior Professor of Peace and Conflict Research at Uppsala University. <i>Moderated by Marko Lehti, Research Director of TAPRI – Tampere Peace Research Institute</i></p>
<p><b>16:45 – 17:00</b></p>	<p><b>Concluding Remarks and Closing of the Event</b> By <b>Marko Lehti</b>, Research Director of TAPRI – Tampere Peace Research Institute</p>
<p><b>17:30 - 19:00</b></p>	<p><b>Reception</b> <b>Hosted by the City of Tampere</b> at the Old City Hall (address Keskustori 10) <b>Lauri Savisaari</b>, City of Tampere Director of Education and Culture, will host the reception <i>The Peace Prize of the Committee of 100 in Finland will be awarded at the reception</i></p>