

**2018
Presidential
Peacebuilding
Conference**

March 17, 2018
Town Hall, Sydney, NSW

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Australia's Presidential Peacebuilding Conference 2018 is a not-to-be-missed event, jam-packed with leading international experts across economics, aid and social development.

Rotary International president Ian Riseley initiated six peace conferences internationally to educate, inspire and underline Rotary's enduring commitment to peace. Each conference explores one of the five areas of focus, as well as environmental sustainability. The Rotary Club of Sydney, NSW, was selected to organise a program addressing "Economic and Community Development and Peace".

Talks will explore the underlying causes of conflict, such as poverty, resource insecurity and poor education. The program will also explore the economic benefits of peace for business and how communities can move from peacemaking to peacebuilding.

"This is your chance to hear from expert speakers, both within Rotary and beyond, on how all of us can help build peace in our world through the practical work we are doing in Rotary," Ian said. "All are welcome so register now, bring a friend, and come to learn and be inspired by Rotary making a difference." •

NOBEL PEACE PRIZE WINNER TO HEAD PRESIDENTIAL PEACEBUILDING CONFERENCE

Rotary International president Ian Riseley, world-renowned Nobel Laureate Professor Muhammad Yunus and leading business and social entrepreneurs will come together in March to make the 2018 Presidential Peacebuilding Conference one of the year's most inspiring events.

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CHANCE to see RI
president Ian Riseley,
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Muhammad Yunus and
leading business and social
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| Registration Type | Early Bird Rate <small>(Available until December 13, 2017)</small> | Standard Registration |
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| Registration Fee | A\$195.00 | A\$250.00 |
| Student/Rotaract | A\$125.00 | A\$125.00 |



NOBEL LAUREATE PROFESSOR MUHAMMAD YUNUS

In 2012, *Fortune Magazine* named Nobel Laureate Professor Muhammad Yunus as “one of the greatest entrepreneurs of our time.” He is recognised as the father of both social business and microcredit, the founder of Grameen Bank, and more than 50 other companies in Bangladesh.

Professor Yunus has received 112 awards from 26 countries, including State Honours from 10 countries. He is one of only seven individuals to have received the Nobel Peace Prize, the United States Presidential Medal of Freedom and the United States Congressional Gold Medal.

Professor Yunus has been placed alongside Warren Buffett, JP Morgan and Mayer Amschel Rothschild as the greatest business finance pioneers of all time. He has appeared on the cover of *Time Magazine*, *Newsweek* and *Forbes Magazine*.



ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT IAN RISELEY

Melbourne-based Rotarian Ian Riseley holds the prestigious position of Rotary International president for 2017-18. He has many honours to his name, including the AusAID Peacebuilder Award from the Australian government in recognition of his work in East Timor, the Medal of the Order of Australia for services to the community, the Distinguished Service Award and the Regional Service Award for a Polio-Free World from The Rotary Foundation.

A Rotarian since 1978, Ian has served as treasurer, director, Foundation trustee, and member and chair of numerous RI and Foundation committees. He has also been a member of school boards, the Community Advisory Group for the City of Sandringham, as well as honorary auditor or adviser for a number of charitable organisations.



MAHIR MOMAND

Mahir Momand is a microfinance expert, who has lived much of his life as a refugee. Mahir currently serves as the CEO of Thrive Refugee Enterprise, which provides microfinance and business support to refugees and asylum seekers in Australia to start new businesses and grow existing ones.

Previously, Mahir served as CEO of the National Association of Credit Unions in Afghanistan, worked for the World Bank, UNHCR and was Financial Adviser to the Federal Ministry of Labour in Afghanistan. The microfinance programs run by Mahir have helped establish a total of 165,000 businesses in Afghanistan, providing a livelihood for nearly one million people.



REBECCA TOLSTOY

Rebecca Tolstoy is chairman and co-founder of the Path of Hope Foundation, a joint venture between Rotary and the Salvation Army. In this role, Rebecca provides strategic vision and facilitates the formal collaboration between Rotary and the Salvation Army worldwide.

In 2014, the Foundation received a Significant Achievement Award from Rotary International for its efforts supporting disadvantaged women and children. Rebecca is also a board member of the Victims of Crime Reference Group, advising the Attorney General of Western Australia on issues affecting victims of crime.





**STEVE
KILLELEA AM**

After successfully building two international software companies, Steve Killelea has directed most of his time and fortune to sustainable development and peace. He established The Charitable Foundation (TCF), which has substantially impacted the lives of over 2.3 million people in Africa and Asia through providing life-changing interventions through humanitarian relief, development assistance and the pursuit of peace.

In 2007, Steve founded the Institute for Economics and Peace (IEP), an international think tank dedicated to building a greater understanding of the interconnection between business, peace and economics.



**MASTER OF CEREMONIES
HUGH
RIMINTON**

Hugh Riminton is a multi-award winning journalist, foreign correspondent, political editor and presenter. He has reported from more than 50 countries, including from the frontlines of almost every major global conflict of the past 25 years.

Hugh is a foundation board member of Soldier On, a national charity helping Australians who have suffered as a consequence of their service to the community. He also chairs the John Mac Foundation, founded by former child soldier and criminal lawyer Deng Adut, which provides scholarships and mentoring for students from war-torn or refugee backgrounds.



**STEPHANIE
WOOLLARD**

Stephanie Woollard is a Melbourne-born social entrepreneur, Rotary Foundation Peace Scholar and Rotarian, who created the international aid organisation Seven Women and tour-company Hands On Development.

In 2016, Stephanie was recognised on the global stage with a Rotary

Responsible Business Award, one of only six honourees worldwide. The award presentation took place at the United Nations Headquarters in New York, US, with Rotary International President John Germ, more than 1500 Rotary members, UN officials and NGO leaders present.



**DAPO
AKANDE**

Dapo Akande is the Professor of Public International Law at Oxford University, UK. He is co-director of the Oxford Institute for Ethics, Law and Armed Conflict (ELAC) and the Oxford Martin Programme on Human Rights for Future Generations.

Dapo has advised on international law issues to United Nations bodies, the African Union Commission, the Commonwealth Secretariat, and the Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN). In addition, he has assisted cases before several international tribunals, including the International Court of Justice and the World Trade Organization.

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