

4th
EDITION



WORLD FORUM

— **NORMANDY** —
FOR PEACE

3 & 4 JUNE 2021

CAEN – ABBAYE AUX DAMES

**WORLD PEACE AND GLOBAL SECURITY:
HOW TO GOVERN PEACE?**

CONFERENCES, DEBATES AND VILLAGE FOR PEACE



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NORMANDIE

THE NORMANDY WORLD PEACE FORUM

As an international event which is open to all, the Normandy World Peace Forum is a hub for reflection and discussion on the themes of peace, freedom and contemporary geopolitics.

Every year, over 200 renowned speakers and several thousand participants, including many secondary school students, meet in the historic grounds of Abbaye-aux-Dames in Caen.

On the agenda: conferences, debates, evening events, events for young people, personal accounts, a pop-up bookshop with book-signing sessions, exhibitions, meetings with NGOs and charitable associations and more.

Objective: to exchange views and to encourage discussions and the search for solutions to help to build lasting peace in the world.

A LOOK BACK AT THE HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 2020 FORUM

There were several key events during the 3rd edition on the theme of “Preventing war: responding to new threats”.



The concert by **Barbara Hendricks and her Blues Band**, “The Road to Freedom”, paid tribute to Normandy’s medical staff for their work during the **COVID-19 pandemic**.



The opening speech by the UN Secretary-General, **António Guterres**, on the need to reinvent our economic and social model in response to the pandemic and environmental challenges.



Speeches by **Nicolas Hulot, Yann Arthus-Bertrand and Dr Jane Goodall** which highlighted the consequences of global warming on world peace and the importance of young people’s involvement in the fight against climate change, illustrated by the march led by young people from Normandy as part of **Walk the Global Walk**.



The Freedom Prize 2020, given to the sisters of **Loujain Al Hathloul**, a Saudi Arabian women’s rights activist recently released from prison.



The conference, in partnership with **ELLE** magazine, on **the role of women in peace-building** which highlighted their lack of representation in peace processes and which featured personal accounts from women who have been victims of violence during conflicts.



The evening events of the 2020 edition: the screening of the Oscar-nominated documentary “The Cave”, followed by a discussion with the film’s director Feras Fayyad and protagonist Dr Amani Ballour, along with a literary evening in partnership with **L’OBS**.



6 000
PARTICIPANTS
INCLUDING
3,400 YOUNG
PEOPLE



15
DEBATES



3
PLENARY
CONFERENCES



122
SPEAKERS,
ATTENDING IN
PERSON AND
REMOTELY



34 FOREIGN
COUNTRIES
REPRESENTED



35 PARTNERS AND
CORPORATE
SPONSORS



2 KEY EVENTS FOR
YOUNG PEOPLE: WALK
THE GLOBAL WALK
AND THE FREEDOM
PRIZE



OVERVIEW OF THE 2021 EDITION



The 4th edition of the Normandy World Peace Forum will be held on 3 and 4 June 2021 in Abbaye-aux-Dames in Caen. On the theme of “World peace and global security: how to govern peace?”, the Forum will be an opportunity to reflect and to consider different approaches to better govern peace, focusing on two major questions: why is peace eluding us? And how can peace be restored?

ON THE AGENDA

Every day, **a major plenary conference** will provide a comprehensive overview of the Forum's theme, including personal experiences and accounts. The conferences have a dynamic format, alternating video reports and contributions from public figures.

Over the two days, **twenty debates, including 4 for young people**, will explore the subjects of the conferences in more depth and will focus on current events from the perspectives of experts, political representatives and civil society.

Open throughout the two days of the Forum, **the Village for Peace** will offer the public the opportunity to meet with representatives of NGOs and charitable organisations and will host exhibitions, a pop-up bookshop, lunchtime and evening concerts and more.

The Forum will host two evening events: an opening evening on Wednesday 2 June, focused on peace agreements, in partnership with the

INA, and a cultural evening on Thursday 3 June, featuring artists and writers on the theme of culture and education to promote peace, in partnership with the French representation to UNESCO.

Organised with members of the Normandy for Peace network, **discussions and workshops** will be organised throughout the Forum's two-day programme. Once again this year, the programme will highlight major achievements, including the European Parliament Research Service's Normandy Index and the work of the international Parliamentarians for Peace network, in collaboration with Open Diplomacy.

And, as usual, there will be key events for young people, including:

The 3rd edition of the **Freedom Prize**, which will be held in the afternoon of Thursday 3 June and which will be awarded to a person or an organisation committed to an exemplary fight for freedom.

Walk The Global Walk, which will be held in the afternoon of Friday 4 June and which will bring together nearly 800 young people from Normandy to present their work on the UN Sustainable Development Goal 16: “Peace, justice and strong institutions”.

Free event, open to all.



NORMANDY FOR PEACE : THE 2021 AGENDA



› From 10 to 13 February 2021

Via video-conference

The deliberations of the international panel for the Freedom Prize 2021, made up of 30 young people from 17 different countries

› 19 February 2021

Via video-conference

Launch of the first book by the Normandy for Peace Chair of Excellence

› 20 February 2021

Via video-conference

Conference of the Normandy Chair for Peace on the indigenous peoples of French Guiana

› 22 February 2021

Via video-conference

Meeting with young Norman researchers organised by the Normandy Chair for Peace

› 14 April 2021

Toamasina, Madagascar

10th human rights moot competition for secondary school pupils in Toamasina

› April 2021

Via video-conference

Virtual conference in partnership with the International Peace Institute on human rights and the environment

› April 2021

Abbaye-aux-Dames

“Posters for peace” exhibition, created by young people aged 11 to 13 as part of an international competition organised by the Lions Club

› April 2021

Le Volcan, Le Havre

“The World in 2049” conference, in partnership with the magazine L’OBS

› 19 May 2021

Nouakchott, Mauritania

5th public speaking competition for young Mauritians for human rights, organised by the International Institute for Human Rights and Peace

› 2 June 2021

Abbaye-aux-Dames

Opening evening, focusing on peace agreements, in partnership with INA

› From 3 to 4 June 2021

Abbaye-aux-Dames

4th edition of the Normandy World Peace Forum

› From 2 to 4 July 2021

Aix-en-Provence

Debate organised by the Normandy Region during the Economic Meetings event in Aix-en-Provence

› From 4 to 10 October 2021

Bayeux

28th edition of the Bayeux-Calvados-Normandy Award for war correspondents

› Autumn 2021

Normandy

Screening, in partnership with Docs Up Fund, of a documentary on human rights around the world



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