

For Peace

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**Peace is our responsibility
and our opportunity.**

For Peace is a holistic initiative to co-create a **Culture of Peace, positioned at the intersection of personal development and societal transformation. We promote the establishment of a **Federal Ministry for Peace** in Germany and the adoption of a **UN Resolution** calling for the creation of **Departments of Peace** worldwide to build a global architecture for peace. A collaborative initiative, For Peace is building an embodied, people-powered movement from the bottom-up and inside-out to elevate consciousness and strengthen participation in politics, policy and society.**

What We Do

01. Research & Advocacy

Connecting the grassroots and political level to change and advance peacebuilding policies & politics

02. Campaigns & Action

Taking positive actions & transforming the peace narrative to build a people-powered movement

03. Education

Building capacities & competencies to work with conflicts effectively in nonviolent and creative ways

04. Projects

Creating capacities & pathways for peacebuilding and sustaining peace within civil society and governments

01. We engage in research & political advocacy to bridge the gap between civil society and grassroots peacebuilding initiatives and the policy and decision-making level. We are determined to make sustainable peace the primary objective of the anticipation, management, and prevention of global conflict. We are working to establish peacebuilding in policy and politics as an effective method for addressing conflict and we mobilize the political support for the creation of Ministries and Departments of Peace worldwide to build a global architecture for peace.

02. We take positive action & lead campaigns that both speak truth to power and empower ordinary people to become engaged citizens and take inspired action for peace. We are not only calling on the responsibility of politicians and people in power to take bold steps towards the creation of infrastructures for peace, but mobilize and equip civil society with tools for peacebuilding to participate in an embodied movement For Peace that catalyzes the power of an awakened collective to create conscious, sustainable change from the bottom up and inside out.

03. We are building capacities & competencies across civil society and within governments to be and work with conflicts effectively in nonviolent and creative ways. We understand peace not merely as the absence of violent conflict, but as a foundational practice to heal and restore the relationship with ourselves, each other and the Earth, and to create an environment for all life to thrive. Peace is not understood as something that is free of conflict or tension, but as a space in which we are equipped with the capacities and competencies to effectively navigate our personal, societal, and cultural differences – moving from destructive to generative conflict.

04. We work together with local peace champions and grassroots peace initiatives to tackle and transform root causes of violent conflict and to build long lasting peace. We raise awareness and build capacity for peacebuilding on the individual, collective, and institutional level to create new pathways for peace. We support the extraordinary work of ordinary people dedicated to making peace a practical path forward. We develop practical and accessible alternatives to violence building on the experience and responding to the needs and challenges of local peacebuilders.

What We Believe

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Our Core Values are the guiding principles that inform the cultivation of our internal landscape and external actions. We aspire to move from this center and embody these values in all that we be and do.

Courageous Action

Mutual Responsibility

Moral Imagination

Holistic Transformation

Joyful Collaboration

Radical Inclusivity

Intersectional Justice

Sacred Integrity

Who We Are

Team For Peace

Cristina Arau / Founder & Executive Director

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For more information on each team member please visit www.forpeace.org/who-we-are

Advisory Board

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Scilla Elworthy (Phd), three times Nobel Peace Prize nominee, Founder of the Business Plan for Peace: Building a World Without War, the Oxford Research Group and Peace Direct, Co-Founder of Rising Women Rising World

H.E. Federico Mayor Zaragoza (Phd), former Director-General of UNESCO, President of the Foundation for a Culture of Peace, Honorary Board member of the International Decade for the Promotion of a Culture of Peace and Non-Violence for the Children of the World

Marianne Williamson, candidate for President of the US in 2020, congressional candidate in 2014, NYT best-selling author, spiritual teacher and activist

James O'Dea (Phd), former President of the Institute of Noetic Sciences, Washington office Director of Amnesty International, CEO of Seva Foundation

Roberto Savio (Phd), Founder and President Emeritus of the Inter Press Service, journalist, political commentator, activist for social and climate justice and advocate of global governance

Michael Nagler (Phd), Founder of the Peace and Conflict Studies Program at UC Berkeley, Founder and President of the Metta Center for Nonviolence

Thomas Hübl, Founder of the Pocket Project, renowned spiritual teacher with a profound understanding of collective and intergenerational trauma

Zahira Kamal, first woman to lead a political party in her country Palestine and Founder of the Ministry and Minister for Women Affairs

Hendrik-Jan Laseur, former Principal Advisor to the Executive Director of UNICEF in New York, Founder of Lead the Change, Partner of Leaders' Quest

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For Peace works in partnership with H.E. UN Ambassador Rodrigo A. Carazo and the **Permanent Mission of Costa Rica to the United Nations** for the UN Resolution calling for the creation of cabinet-level Departments of Peace worldwide to build a global architecture for peace.

For Peace has a partnership with the **United Nations University for Peace** in Costa Rica and the **Master of Arts Program in Global Affairs and Peacebuilding** at NYU.

For Peace is a member of numerous international peacebuilding networks including the **Alliance for Peacebuilding** with 100+ peacebuilding organizations working in 153 countries (member directory [here](#)) and the **Global Peacebuilding Coalition +PEACE** together with the following 19 leading peacebuilding organizations:

Alliance for Peacebuilding

European Peacebuilding Liaison Office
American Friends Service Committee
Search for Common Ground
Conciliation Resources
Global Partnership for the Prevention of Armed Conflict
Generations for Peace
International Alert
Center for Humanitarian Dialogue
Interpeace
Mercy Corps
Partners Global
PAX
Peace Direct
Peace Nexus Foundation
Quaker United Nations Office
SaferWorld
Life & Peace Institute
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Love for Life

Love For Life

For Peace is an initiative by the nonprofit, nonpartisan organization **Love for Life** legally registered in Germany and eligible to issue tax deductible donation receipts.

Love for Life's mission is dedicated to creating conscious, sustainable change to empower people and protect nature. We do this through our three interconnected spheres of action.

Elevating Consciousness

We view inner work and personal development as a prerequisite for outer effectiveness and societal transformation. In trainings, workshops, and publications we raise awareness about social and environmental justice issues as well as inspire and empower people to reconnect with themselves, each other, and Nature to realize our full potential and co-create real change in the world.

Taking Direct Action

We create and implement social and development projects in conflict and crisis areas that empower people to fulfill their rights to lead self-determined lives in dignity and peace. Thereby we connect the social, ecological, and economic dimensions of sustainability, and the creation of development possibilities, with the protection of the natural world. As a result, we contribute to the global realization of the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

Transforming Systems

We develop and execute initiatives to co-create innovative and future-oriented systems and emergent structures that embody a new set of values based on inter-connectedness, inclusion, compassion, and courage to promote resilient and vibrant cultures of peace and justice that contribute to a paradigm shift.

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