

**DRAFT schedule for an informal one – day
international conference**

**A mind shifting contribution to the 2025 PAX Week of
Peace**

**Hague Appeal for Future Generations.
Co-creating EcoPeace.**

Elisabeth Vreedehuis, Concertzaal, Riouwstraat 1, Den Haag

Saturday 27 September 2025, 10.00-16.30

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Project Co-Design Workshop

Tuesday 30 September 2025, 10.00-15.30 (Euritmie Zaal)

Conclusions. Public Gathering in “De Serre”

15.30-16.30 All Are Welcome

Saturday

Sunrise 7.37 am	Fire ceremony in the garden? To be decided. Menno Swaak, Leo van der Vlist, Liane Lankreijer / Danny Vader and H��l��ne van Engelen
10.00-12.30	Morning programme
10.00-10.15	Music
10.15-10.25	Rik ten Cate , artist – Presentation of Angel statue. <i>Can Angels help us to build Peace?</i>
10.25-10.30	Representative Gemeente Den Haag (*) . <i>Message on long term perspective on local governments’ contributions to Peacebuilding.</i>
10.30-10.35	Siddharth Jain , Stockholm, Sweden. <i>Planetary Service</i> Message and Introduction

10.35-10.40	<p>Hans van Willenswaard, Advisor, Right Livelihood College Bangkok – Introduction</p> <p>Why NOW an urgent “<i>Appeal for Future Generations. Co-creating EcoPeace</i>” from The Hague, City of Peace and Justice? <i>A Buddhist understanding of the radical “future generations” perspective.</i></p>
10.40-10.45	<p>Alyn Ware, Right Livelihood Laureate; Program Director, World Federalist Movement / Institute for Global Policy; Director of the Basel Peace Office; Co-Founder and Global Coordinator of Parliamentarians for Nuclear Non-Proliferation and Disarmament.</p> <p><i>Short introduction to the Hague Appeal for Future Generations.</i></p>
10.45-11.00	<p>Etrona van der Heijden, Coordinator, Liberal Arts Program, Vrije Hogeschool, Zeist – Co-Moderator of the one -day conference:</p> <p><i>Self introductions</i></p> <p>[International Outreach support: Maja Groff (*), International Lawyer, Convenor Climate Governance Commission; Member of the Management Board, Integrity Initiatives International, Europe.</p> <p>Conference report: Karlijn van der Voort, international criminal justice & human rights lawyer; Bureau Public Affairs at Dutch Baha’i Community;]</p>
11.00-12.30	<p>Session Moderaor Anne Tabak, Teacher Humanities and History, International School The Hague; Stichting Denkroutes.</p>
11.00-11.30 Keynote	<p>Keynote - Neshan Gunasekera, Sri Lanka – CEO (April 2025) and Councillor, World Future Council (WFC), Hamburg, Germany; vision advocate of Judge C.G. Weeramantry (1926-2017), former Vice President, International Court of Justice (ICJ)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>How can we weave law and governance innovation on Rights of Nature and Earth Trusteeship, with the rights of Future Generations and initiatives for Planetary Service? Is care for the Integrity of Ecology and Food Systems, as in the</i>

	<p><i>WFC Agroecology project in the Himalayas, a contribution to Peacebuilding? How can we collaborate and build partnerships for EcoPeace around the globe? What can be the international role of “The Hague?”</i></p>
11.30-12.00	<p>Responses by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Jan Pronk (*), former Minister Development Cooperation; Emeritus Professor Erasmus University International ISS, The Hague; ○ Alide Roerink, Earth Charter partnership the Netherlands, and Earth Charter International; ○ Mert Kumru, Lawyer, World’s Youth for Climate Justice (WY4CJ); speaker for the Netherlands at the International Court of Justice, AOICJ campaign.
12.00-12.30	<p>Open conversation with participants guided by Session Moderator.</p>
12.30-13.30	<p>Lunch in “de Serre”</p>
13.30-16.30	<p>Afternoon programme</p>
13.30-15.00	<p>Panel discussion</p> <p><i>What can be the meaning of EcoPeace -- conscious eco- and food-system governance inspired by Rights of Nature as yje foundation of Human Rights. How can we shape collaboration for the common good and “the commons” -- in an era of shaking world order, re-armement and war? Can Planetary Service – including art projects – be a future common framework for sustainable EcoPeace? What can be the role of “The Hague: City of Peace and Justice.”</i></p> <p>Session Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Simone Filippini, Chair, NVVN (UN Association of the Netherlands); former Ambassador; and CEO of CORDAID; Vice Chair, Netherlands Commission for Environmental Assessment (NCEA); UPEACE (Costa Rica) Centre The Hague; Leadership4Good. ○ Introduction by John D. Liu (*), (online) Chinese-American Founder of <i>Ecosystem Restoration Camps & Communities</i>.

- *How ecosystem restoration and protection of Rights of Nature can shape voluntary work-service for Peace?*

Panelists:

- **Kees Klomp**. Program Manager AGENCY! at Windesheim University. Kees Klomp (1968) is an inspired advocate of the Meaningful Economy. Kees worked as a lecturer at Rotterdam University of Applied Sciences, where he conducted research on **the possibilities of economic system change**. Kees authored several books, including the bestselling *Handbook of Meaningful Entrepreneurship*, and the English-language *Thrive*. AGENCY! strives to intrinsically motivate students to engage with the challenges of our time.
In his new book Ecoliberalism, he calls for an economic and political system rooted in the wisdom of the living world. “We need to rebuild the economy based on the universal ecological principles that have governed life for nearly four billion years”. Toward a Peace economy?
- **Kees Mathhijssen**, Chair, Advisory Council, United Nations Association of the Netherlands; retired Lieutenant General, former UN Force Commander and author ***Commandant in Vier Missies***; Member Board of Advisors, *Principles for Peace, Geneva, Switzerland*
 - *Peace keeping, Peace building and prevention. How can we address the root causes of (armed) conflict? Do we need a permanent UN Peacekeeping Army?*
- **Dr. Ir. Thea Hilhorst**, professor of humanitarian studies at International Institute of Social Studies (ISS) of Erasmus University, The Hague; **President of the Humanitarian Studies Association**; Member, Supervisory Board *PAX for Peace*; author of 6 books – among others *Disaster, Conflict and Society in Crisis. Every Day Politics of Crisis Response* -- and

	<p>several series of articles, book chapters and publications on Humanitarian Aid.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Future perspectives on the international education and research landscape of The Hague, City of Peace and Justice. What would the message of international students be (through a 'Hague Appeal')?</i> ○ Natasha Hulst, a passionate advocate for fair land access and sustainability. With expertise in Community Land Trusts, she raises awareness for democratic land solutions. As a co-founder of Dutch Land Trust <i>Grond van Bestaan</i>, Natasha is driving change and enabling new models for ownership. She has been actively working on <i>Voedselpark Lutkemeer</i>, Amsterdam Food Park and <i>Freeing the Soil</i> for years. She is also the programme director of the European Land Commons at <i>Schumacher Institute for New Economics</i> in USA. Portfolio Weaver Northsea Delta at Bioregional Weaving Labs Collective. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Is the commons movement gaining impact at the systems level? Can we understand shared care for the Earth as Peacebuilding toward common EcoPeace? Can food communities ('Food as a Commons') contribute to social transformation, prevention of war and post-war rehabilitation?</i> ○ Role of Youth. - Planetary Service with Siddharth Jain Coordinator, Stockholm, Sweden - Youth participant(s) Earth Charter +25 Event (*) - Vrije Hogeschool participants-students Hague International School and more <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>What young people feel and what they can do for Peacebuilding and EcoPeace? Accepting or rejecting conscription? Voluntary service, personal development and career perspectives.</i>
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	From Planetary Consciousness to Planetary Service.
15.00-15.10	Marija Pop Trajkova , Programme Manager The Hague Humanity Hub, Introduction to OPEN SPACE and synergy with 2025 Vredesweek events. Future of The Hague City of Peace and Justice. Role of Civil Society.
15.10-16.00	“OPEN SPACE” . Coffee-tea in the Concertzaal and break-out in small groups around speakers. World Café. Hydepark? Information exchanges. Open opportunity for (new) inter-connections and collaboration between people, organisations and initiatives
16.00-16.30	Adoption Hague Appeal for Future Generations. Co-creating Eco Peace with Alyn Ware. “Next Steps” by Co-Moderators. “Derde Haagse Vredesconferentie in 2029?” Initiative of Benjamin Dürr (*) to organize a historic, participatory, worldwide “Third Hague Peace Conference” 130 years after the First Conference in 1899.
16.30-17.00	Music

See next page for Tuesday

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More information follows for participants who register for the workshop.
With **Rembert Biemond**, **Siddharth Jain**, **Neshan Gunasekera**,
Etrona van der Heijden, **Anne Tabak**, **YOUTH**, **Alyn Ware (*)**.
Hans & Wallapa van Willenswaard, and more.

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Registration: google form link or QR code

<https://forms.gle/FnDMeCuuZFSxYSHw5>

