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LIVING WELL WITH SUPER DIVERSITY

Keynote speech



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Her areas of research interest include Identity, the "Other", Cross-Cultural and Religious Encounters and Social Cohesion. She is the author and co-editor of several publications including the latest "The Canvas of Cultures" (2020)

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Panel Discussion: Good practices of education for intercultural dialogue and media and information literacy



KIICHI OYASU

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From 2016 to 2018, Mr Oyasu was a Professor of Centre for Global Partnerships and Education, Okayama University where he currently holds a post of Vising Research Fellow. He worked with UNESCO Bangkok (1992–2008) and Dhaka (2008 –2016) to promote Education for All and Education for Sustainable Development. His main research areas are literacy, non-formal education, lifelong learning and sustainable community development. He received a Ph.D. in Human Science from Osaka University.



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Expert on global cultural heritage education for conflict resolution

Ms Inanç is a lecturer at the School of Art, Design and Media, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore, a founding co-director of the Centre for Asia Pacific Refugee Studies (CAPRS) in the Faculty of Education and Social Work, University of Auckland, New Zealand as well as the founder of Opening Universities for Refugees (OUR), a non-profit working closely with the displaced communities in the Asia Pacific region.



BUSHRA EBADI

Youth Ambassador, UNESCO-led Global Alliance for Partnerships on Media and Information Literacy

Co-Founder of the Health and Information Literacy Access (HILA) Alliance, she is currently a Global Advisor to Aya Chebbi (Member of the Independent Panel for Pandemic Preparedness and Response) and an Executive Committee Member and Youth Advisor for the Canadian Commission for UNESCO. She holds a Master of Global Affairs from the University of Toronto and a Joint Honours BA in Political Science and Philosophy, with minors in French and Management from McGill University.





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MEHRDAD SHABAHANG

Programme specialist for Silk Roads programme UNESCO's Social and Human Sciences sector

Responsible for the Silk Roads Programme, he is in charge of the conceptual and operational management of the programme and its different sub-initiatives. He also acts as the editorial supervisor for the Silk Roads Online Platform. Mr Shabahang holds a PhD in the History of Regions and Religious Anthropology from Sorbonne University, France.



MUNZIFA BABADJANOVA

Head of UNESCO Chair on Intercultural Dialogue in Modern World

Ms Babadjanova is the Associate Professor of Russian-Tajik University, Faculty of History and International Relations, and the Director of UN Resource Information Center. She has also worked as Counsellor on Political Affairs and Deputy of Ambassador of the Embassy of Tajikistan to India.

Summary of the discussions



SAJIDA HAIDER VANDAL

Professor of Architecture and Vice-Chancellor of the Institute for Art and Culture

She is the former Principal of the National College of Arts, Lahore is an architect, educationist, a rights activist. She is also the CEO of THAAP, NGO dedicated to research and safeguarding cultural heritage and communities inalienable rights to their culture. is an alumnus of the University of New South Wales, Australia (Masters of the Built Environment 1984) and the University of Engineering & Technology, Lahore, Pakistan. (B.Arch. 1970).





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Way forward: Perspectives for integrating media and information literacy and intercultural dialogue into education policies and plans



HYUN MOOK LIM

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Prior to assuming the current position, he served as the Assistant Secretary-General for Education at the Korean National Commission for UNESCO, where he had started his professional career in 1992. He has taught at Sungkyunkwan University as a visiting professor. He received a Ph.D. in Political Thought from Sogang University, Republic of Korea and MA in International Studies from the University of Denver, Colorado, USA.



DURIYA AMATAVIVAT

Senior Expert on International Cooperation attached to the Office of the Permanent Secretary for Education, Ministry of Education of Thailand

Until her retirement, she was the Deputy Permanent Secretary for Education and was responsible for overseeing 5 agencies under the Ministry. Prior to this, she assumed several key positions, including Inspector General for Education, Director-General of Regional Education Offices, Acting Deputy Permanent Delegate in the Permanent Delegation of the Kingdom of Thailand to UNESCO in Paris. She has a BA in English from the Thammasat University and MA in Public Administration from Old Dominion University in the USA.



SABIRA SOLTONGELIEVA

Secretary-General National Commission of the Kyrgyz Republic for UNESCO

Ms Soltongeldieva started her career at the Kyrgyz National Commission for UNESCO in 2006 as a Cultural programme specialist and was appointed as the SG in 2017. She was UNESCO ICH facilitator from 2011 to 2017 and has extensive experience in implementing UNESCO culture programmes and projects activities.