

# FAITH FOR EARTH NEWSLETTER 18 MAY 2022

# FAITH-BASED ENGAGEMENT AT STOCKHOLM+50



Stockholm+50 marks 50 years since the <u>first</u> world conference on the environment and the <u>50 years of the United Nations</u> <u>Environment Programme</u> (UNEP).

It will provide leaders with an opportunity to draw on 50 years of multilateral environmental action to achieve the bold and urgent action needed to secure a better future on a healthy planet.

Multilateralism is key to tackling the Earth's triple planetary crisis – climate, nature, and pollution.

It is what is needed to accelerate the implementation of the <u>UN Decade of Action</u> to deliver the Sustainable Development Goals, including the 2030 Agenda, <u>Paris Agreement</u> on climate change, the <u>post-2020</u> <u>global Biodiversity Framework</u>, and encourage the adoption of green post-COVID-19 recovery plans.

## VIRTUAL EVENTS & ACTIVITIES IN STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN

Official Programme 2-3 June 2022

**Events** 

Faith-based Organisations

<u>The Peoples Environmental Narrative</u> 18-19 May 2022

Leadership Dialogues <u>Register | Background Papers</u>



"The human environment will always change. Development will continue. There will be growth. This cannot and should not be avoided. The decisive question is: in which direction we will develop; by what means we will grow; which qualities we want to achieve, and what values we wish to guide our future?"

Olaf Palme, Prime Minister of Sweden 1972 | Watch the video.

#### FAITH-BASED ENGAGEMENT AT STOCKHOLM+50

FBOs formed <u>an interfaith coordination team</u> <u>for the Stockholm+50</u> process to support faith communities understanding of, and engagement in, the conference.

UNEP Faith for Earth and <u>partner</u> <u>organisations</u> sought to accomplish the following:

- Effectively engage FBOs in dialogue to rebuild relationships of trust
- Highlight the critical role that faith actors play in accelerating system wide actions for a sustainable and inclusive recovery
- Rethink conceptions and measures of progress and well-being
- Build a community of FBOs engaged in global policy.



#### HOW TO ENGAGE

Click on <u>the link</u> for faith inspired side and associated events, conversations, prayer and meditation sessions, hikes/walks/marches, and more!

#Faith4Earth #ProsperityForAll #FaithsTakeAction

## **ENDORSE THE INTERFAITH STATEMENT**

On behalf of the interfaith coordinating committee for Stockholm +50, composed of around 50 faith-based organizations that is facilitated by UNEP Faith for Earth asks you to endorse and sign <u>this statement</u> that will be submitted to the Stockholm +50 Secretariat and the two Co-chairs of Stockholm+50.

#### REIMAGINING THE HUMAN-ENVIRONMENT RELATIONSHIP

The United Nations University Centre for Policy Research and the Government of Canada's International Development Research Centre (IDRC) launched publication а "Reimagining the Human-Environment Relationship". This seminal publication includes chapter on "Religion а and Environment".

Register for the panel discussion.

FAITH IN EARTH – A DEEP CONVERSATION ON RELIGIOUS PERSPECTIVES ON THE WAY FORWARD FOR A HEALTHY PLANET

#### 2 June 2022

The Swedish Pentecostal International Relief and Development Agency, LM International, SMC-faith in Development and UNEP Faith for Earth Initiative have organised a seminar to discuss valuesbased approaches on the themes covered in Stockholm +50.

More information.