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"Each of us contributes"

"To put everything in halance is good, to put everything in harmony is better". Victor Hugo

APRED meets to discuss implementing peace policies, to present its forthcoming publication: "Business No Kill", and to hold its annual statutory assembly.

General Assembly

Saturday, May 10th at around 2:00 p.m.

The GA will take place in Bürchen, in Upper Valais.

A limited number of places are available for the day or for overnight stays, upon registration.

The GA will also be held online¹!

Registration for the General Assembly is encouraged.

The usual documents (agenda, reports and projects, bylaws, accounts and budget, elections)

Are, or will gradually be available on our website.

Your contributions to peace, of all kinds, are encouraged and necessary. Your participative and economic contributions to **APRED** are desirable and very useful. Thank you.

"Through peace, give meaning and worth to life, And its the future"

¹ ¹ Zoom, n° of the meeting: **842 3556 2670.** Code: **729 137** Link: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84235562670?pwd=nn5olTFOybiClC7UJuyxFWUmUeOXx6.1

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International Day of Living together
May 16th
Flendruz or Geneva, May 1st, 2025

From the beginning of times unto sustainability, A path of peace, wisdom, and perhaps eternity.

Annual Report

2024-2025 SUMMARY

A sober and productive year, very intense at the end of the period.

For the right to life

Our campaign for <u>the decriminalization of suicide</u> is progressing. Our working document: "Businees no kill" is at the "open for comments" stage (a participatory version, available before publication, will be available at the general meeting).

Our campaign for the <u>universal ratification of the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide</u> is ongoing. It does need renewed momentum.

For peace and the right to peace

A new publication on <u>non-militarization</u>, prepared by a renowned professor and published by one of the world's leading universities will be released soon.

We participated for the first time in <u>World Conscience Day</u> at the UN in Geneva. An experience Conscience and a presence to be renewed. The entire day deserves attention, yet we appear <u>here</u>. The call for <u>demilitarization leading to non-militarization</u> is ongoing.

The preparation of a <u>publication on peace policies</u> that avoid resorting to the use of force, whether armed or not, or replace it with nonviolent practices, is progressing at pace.

At the United Nations

We published 5 submissions for the Special Procedures of the Human Rights Council (approximately 5 pages each): For the five-year human rights education program, for North-South relations, peace financing and indigenous peoples (twice).

We made 12 submissions for countries participating in the five-year Universal Periodic Review of their human rights. We did standard submissions for the decriminalization of suicide and the ratification of the Genocide Convention, and more in-depth submissions for Costa Rica, Spain, and San Marino. We delivered, sometimes jointly, 41 oral statements to the Human Rights Council, including 8 on thematic issues (death penalty, genocide, peacebuilding, and gender, among others) and 33 statements on country situations, focusing on follow-up to our written contributions, our usual themes and ways to advance them.

We remain joyfully at your service, at the service of peace and prosperity.