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Pathways to Reconciliation Summit, Amman.
14-17 December 2009 – Supporting Organization Invitation.

Dear Sir/Madam,

We are writing to invite your organization to become involved with the *Pathways to Reconciliation Summit* to be held in Amman, Jordan in December 2009.

The summit, hosted by HRH Prince Hassan of Jordan and organized by Melbourne's RMIT and Monash Universities, is a response to the paradox of intensifying political violence and insecurity across the world. Despite the expansion of security regimes and other short-term material solutions the world is an evermore insecure place. The unique objective of the summit is to explore alternative pathways to peace that emphasize informal reconciliation processes beneath the radar of conventional security regimes. With this objective, the summit will bring together 200-300 delegates from around the world, including individuals who have made extraordinary contributions to reconciliation, representatives from NGOs, activist organizations and bodies such as the United Nations and the International Criminal Court, as well as academics and the media. The summit's patrons include The Reverend Desmond Tutu, The Honourable Sir William Deane, Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, Dr Jose Ramos-Horta, Dr Bernard Lown, and Dr Lowitia O'Donoghue.

The summit will have both practical and theoretical components. It will place particular emphasis on identifying, developing and providing support for exemplary practical projects that have served as indirect vehicles for reconciliation by bringing together people from estranged, divided groups in positive, constructive ways. This practical focus will be integrated with broader discussions aimed at reviewing and progressing theoretical approaches to reconciliation.

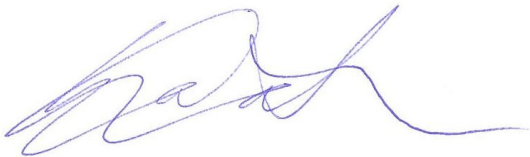
The summit aims to produce concrete practical outcomes in a range of areas. The goals of the summit include the creation, or extension of support for, selected exemplary reconciliation projects, the inauguration of a Global Reconciliation Forum and a Global Board of Management to support reconciliation processes, the development of a website that records and assesses reconciliation projects around the world, and the publication of a major book based on the conference proceedings.

The two practical requirements involved with becoming a supporting organization are: that at least one person from your organization attends the event (registration costs will be waived for members of supporting organizations), and that your organization helps to publicize the event. You are also free to contribute by suggesting ideas for keynote speakers or panel topics.

Attached for your perusal is a prospectus containing more detailed background information. Further developments will be updated on the summit's website <http://www.global-cities.info/amman09> and we welcome any further queries you might have regarding the event.

We would be delighted to have your organization involved with this important event and we look forward to your reply.

Sincerely,



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