

# Those Who Want Peace, Make Peace

## Nonviolence as a contribution of civil society to peace



### Invitation

UN International Day of Peace  
on September 21, 2023

An event of the Bremen Senate  
with the *schwelle* Foundation  
and Church and Peace

## Those Who Want Peace, Make Peace

### Nonviolence as contribution of civil society to peace

Violence, wars and armament dominate foreign policy. What are the perspectives of nonviolent strategies before, during and after violent conflicts? How do peace researchers and activists classify the potential of violence-preventing ways of conflict transformation?

Dr Andreas Bovenschulte, President of the Bremen Senate, the *schwelle* Peace Foundation and the ecumenical network Church and Peace invite you to a panel discussion on these questions.

The event will take place at Bremen Town Hall in German. Online participants will also be provided with English interpretation.

## Speakers

**Dr Andreas Bovenschulte**, President of the Senate of the City of Bremen, Mayor for Peace

**Prof. Hanne-Margret Birckenbach**, political scientist and peace researcher, winner of the 2023 Göttingen Peace Prize

**Otto Raffai**, peace activist from the peace organisation RAND (Regional Address for Nonviolent Action) from Croatia

**Rana Salman**, Executive Director of Combatants for Peace in Palestine

**Mirka Hurter**, Project Coordinator of Peace for Future

**On Thursday, September 21, 2023 at 5 pm**

we cordially invite you  
to an event marking the  
UN International Day of Peace Day  
at Bremen Town Hall or online.

**Please register for both, in-person and online participation, at:**

[info@dieschwelle.de](mailto:info@dieschwelle.de) | or: +49 (0)421 – 30 32 575

The event will take place in German.  
Online participants will also be provided with English interpretation.

## ***schwelle* Foundation**

The *schwelle* Foundation works with its partners for peace, justice and the integrity of creation. Together with local organisations, the *schwelle* Foundation develops, supports and promotes projects in the areas of peace and reconciliation work, human rights and environmental protection.

### **Donation account GLS Bank:**

IBAN: DE67 4306 0967 4028 9726 00

## **Church and Peace**

Church and Peace is the European ecumenical network of peace churches, Christian communities, parishes, training centres, peace organisations and peace services. They engage in dialogue on justice, peace and the integrity of creation and are a catalyst for joint initiatives and projects.



***schwelle* Foundation**  
Contributions to Peace  
Wachmannstraße 79  
D-28209 Bremen

Tel. +49 (0)421 30 32-575  
info@dieschwelle.de  
www.dieschwelle.de



**Church and Peace**  
Mittelstraße 4  
D-34474 Diemelstadt-Wethen

Tel. +49 (0)5694 990 5506  
intlooffice@church-and-peace.org  
www.church-and-peace.org