

The French Chapter holds the first edition of its Mayors for Peace Forum

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Our network has just experienced a rich and stimulating week dedicated to the culture of peace and we would like to share these highlights with you:

In the framework of the New Africa-France Summit, Fatiha Alaudat, Deputy Delegate for Women's Rights, Fight against Discrimination, Culture of Peace, International Solidarity, Host City and Vice President of the AFCD RP-Mayors for Peace represented Mayors for peace french chapter at a Cités Unies France (in English "French United local governments") workshop: "What role for local governance in supporting African youth?" on Tuesday, October 12, 2021 in Montpellier with the presence of the Mayor of Dijon and President of Cités Unies France François Rebsamen and Clare Hart, Vice President of Montpellier Méditerranée Métropole and Vice President of the AFCD RP.



After a presentation of Mayors for Peace network, Fatiha Alaudat recalled the convergences of the work of AFCD RP member communities with CUF on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), the reception of refugees and cooperation issues, inviting the communities present to join in the common reflections and to participate in the Mayors for Peace Forum.

The following day, October 13, 2021 at the Montpellier City Hall, the Mayors for Peace Forum brought together the Mayor and President of the Metropolis of Montpellier, Michaël Delafosse, the Mayor of Grigny, President of the AFCD RP-Mayors for Peace, Philippe Rio and the Mayor of Ganollers, President of the European branch of Mayors for Peace, Joseph Mayoral.



Mr. Mayoral participated also in the World Peace Congress on October 15 and 17, 2021 alongside the Mayors of Hiroshima (President of Mayors for Peace) and Nagasaki, Kazumi Matsui & Tomihisa Taue (<https://www.ipb2021.barcelona/>).



Elected officials, territorial agents, members of associations, international organizations, teachers and members of civil society were present for this first edition whose themes were peace, decentralized cooperation, security and the implementation of sustainable development goals. Many thanks to the city of Montpellier and to Clare Hart, Vice President of Montpellier Méditerranée Métropole and Vice

President of Mayors for peace French chapter for hosting and co-organizing the event. We look forward to the next edition!



This day was also punctuated by a symbolic moment where Michaël Delafosse, Philippe Rio, Joseph Mayoral, Fatiha Alaudat and Clare Hart planted a tree for Peace offered by the city of Malakoff and brought for the occasion.







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