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Conference on “Promoting Peace Together” and the launch of the document

“Education for Peace in a Multi Religious World: A Christian Perspective”

In continuation of their fraternal joint co-operation, the World Council of Churches (WCC) with the Pontifical Council for Interreligious Dialogue (PCID) are organising a Conference on “Promoting Peace Together”, at the Ecumenical Centre, in Geneva, on 21 May 2019. The participants will include representatives of International Organisations as well as the Diplomatic Corps present in Geneva. This Conference will focus on two historic documents related to peace-making:

Human Fraternity for World Peace and Living Together jointly signed by Pope Francis and by Dr Ahmad Al Tayyib, the Grand Imam of Al-Azhar on 4 February 2019 in Abu Dhabi.

Education for Peace, in a Multi-Religious World: A Christian Perspective, jointly prepared by the Pontifical Council for Interreligious Dialogue and the World Council of Churches, which will be officially launched, at the end of this event, by H.E. Bishop Miguel Ángel Ayuso Guixot, Secretary of the PCID and Rev. Dr. Olav Fykse Tveit, General Secretary of the WCC.

The collaboration between the PCID and the Office for Interreligious Dialogue and Cooperation of the World Council of Churches (WCC), began in 1977. In this collaboration, both Offices have so far produced several common interreligious documents, namely, *Interreligious Prayer* (1994); *Reflection on Interreligious Marriage* (1997) and *Christian Witness in a Multi-Religious World: Recommendations for Conduct* (2011).

This event marks an important milestone in the continuing joint efforts of the WCC and the PCID aimed at strengthening ecumenical relationships through the fostering of interreligious dialogue.