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Presents

#### Takahiro SHINYO

Former Ambassador of Japan to the United Nations and Germany for

# The Primacy of Peacemaking:

# How Kosovo Crisis ended and its lesson to the post-Corona

# conflicts

on

Saturday, July 3, 2021

at

8:00 p.m. Tokyo, 1:00 p.m. Geneva and 7:00 a.m. New York

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Peacemaking is a process of achieving peace by reconciling adversaries. For this purpose, it requires renewed peacemaking efforts that address both the needs and desires of parties in conflict. It has become a challenge to carry out peacemaking when the norms and standards of human conduct and behavior have become unpredictable due to unintended circumstances. This meeting attempts to ascertain how peacemaking can still achieve what is intended by the process with reference to the successful peacemaking process that took place in 1998-99 for Former Yugoslavia.

#### Conference Schedule

- **19:50** Opening of the conference
- **20:00** Introductory explanation of the meeting procedure by Arbenita Sopaj External Liaison Officer, KPC/GPAJ/ACUNS-Tokyo

## 20:00 Opening remarks

Yasushi AKASHI

Former Under-Secretary-General of the United Nations and Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Cambodia and Yugoslavia

### **20:10** Keynote speech (15 minutes)

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#### 20:25 Comments:

Vuk Jeremić

Former President of the United Nations General Assembly (2012-2013) and currently President of the Center for International Relations and Sustainable Development (CIRSD)

Lise Morjé Howard,

President, Academic Council on the United Nations System (ACUNS) and Professor at Georgetown University

- 20:35 Open discussion Q&A
- 21:20 Concluding remarks
- 21:25 Announcement on the forthcoming events
- 21:30 End of the conference



Takahiro SHINYO

President of Japan Association for United Nations Studies

Dean, Integrated Center for UN and Foreign Affairs Studies at Kwansei Gakuin University. Dr. Shinyo studied law at Osaka University and joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs immediately after his graduation in 1972 and had served for 40 years as diplomat. In 1973 he enrolled at the University of Göttingen in Germany and studied international law for two

years. He served at the Japanese Embassies in Switzerland, China and Germany. In the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, he served as Head of Disarmament Division and Director of UN Policy Division. In 1999 he became Deputy Director-General of European Affairs Bureau and coordinated policy and assistance for Former Yugoslavia, including Kosovo at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. After serving as Director-General of the Multilateral Cooperation Department he was appointed as Ambassador and DPR of the Permanent Mission of Japan to the United Nations and finally Ambassador to the Federal Republic of Germany. He retired from the Ministry in 2012 and assumed the post of Vice-President International of Kwansei Gakuin University (2012-2018). Dr. Shinyo is the author of many books on UN and Foreign Policy in Japanese language. One of his books was translated in German and published under the title "Japans aussenpolitische Strategie in einer multipolaren Welt", IUDICIUM Verlag, 2015. He speaks Japanese, English, German and Chinese(basic). Since 2013, Professor SHINYO is the Chairman of the Board of the NPO "Malaria No More Japan".

#### Mr. Vuk Jeremić



HE Mr. Vuk Jeremić is the President of the Center for International Relations and Sustainable Development (CIRSD), an international think-tank, and Editor-in-Chief of its journal Horizons. In 2012-2013, he served as the President of the United Nations General Assembly. During his mandate, he played a pivotal role in establishing the UN 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and adopting the Arms Trade Treaty. In 2007, he chaired the Council of

Europe's Committee of Ministers. Mr. Jeremić occupied prominent positions in the Serbian government as Foreign Minister (2007-2012) and advisor to the President and various governmental ministries. He was named a Young Global Leader by the World Economic Forum in 2013 and appointed to the Leadership Council of the United Nations Sustainable Development

Solutions Network (UN SDSN) in 2014. He is a University of Cambridge and Harvard University graduate.

## Lise Morjé Howard



Dr. Lise Morjé Howard is Chair Elect of ACUNS. Professor of

Government at Georgetown University, Howard earned her M.A. and Ph.D. in Political Science from the University of California, Berkeley, and her A.B. in Soviet Studies from Barnard College, Columbia University. A dual national of the U.S. and France. Fluent in French and Russian, she previously served as founding director of the Master of Arts Program in Conflict Resolution at Georgetown; Assistant Professor of Government at Wesleyan University; and Acting

Director of UN Affairs for the New York City Commission for the United Nations. Howard is an award-winning scholar, and has published articles on UN peacekeeping, the UN Security Council, civil war termination, and American foreign policy in the top journals in her field, including International Organization, International Security, International Studies Quarterly, Foreign Affairs, and Global Governance.

Arbenita Sopaj



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Double degree on master's focused on International Relations and Political Science. External Liaison Office at Academic Council on the United Nations System (ACUNS) and GPAJ, Tokyo. She has participated on the book review entitled ''Primordial Leadership'' by Dr. Sukehiro Hasegawa where she compared ''State Legitimacy between Timor-Leste and Kosovo after their independence. Her latest contribution on Japan's Approach to Myanmar: Diplomatic Leadership or Business as Usual?