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Under the High Patronage of Minister of Interior & Municipalities

HE Ziad Baroud

Overview of the 33rd District Rotaract Conference in Lebanon

(Lebanon, Egypt, Jordan, Cyprus, Georgia, Armenia, Bahrain, UAE, and Sudan)

June 23-27, 2010

Objective:

To promote good will and understanding through cultural exchange programs, capacity building conference on effective citizenship and leadership, hold sportive activities as a vehicle for peace and team building, and to form a bridge of fellowship and service for a better tomorrow by empowering young professionals to give the same trainings in their communities.

Attendees:

Lebanese Ministers, MPs and Government officials, Diplomats, Rotary & Rotaract Officials, members from more than 15 countries, Local/ International NGO officials, Academic Professors and Officers, VIP guests and friends.

All will participate during “Peace Through Sports” Sports day

Program:

Wednesday: June 23: Registration & Free Time

Thursday: June 24:

1. Flag ceremony and full day conference on “Service Above Self” at Grand Hills hotel **(500 persons: 60/40 - local/foreign)**
2. Cultural Ceremony with the Lebanese Classical Orchestra of Interior Security Forces at UNESCO Palace, 8:30PM, followed by Traditional reception. Cultural exhibition of district countries will be set in exhibition hall.

Friday: June 25: Traditional cultural day at Chouf and Saida with inner peace exercises in nature & Cultural exchange ceremony at night in Broumana. **(500 persons)**

Saturday: June 26:

1. Sports day “Peace Through Sports” program:
Relay 5KM team building Race and peace building activities to be trained by Rotaract Peace trainers to all participants at Byblos with the support of the Beirut Marathon Association, Generation For Peace organization, the Municipality of Byblos and Byblos International Festival.

On the occasion of International Day against Drug Abuse, an awareness and “Fight the White” campaign will be launched with the joined efforts of the Rehabilitation centers and NGOs in Lebanon next to the non smoking campaign of the year. **(>2000 persons)**

2. **Gala “youth support” dinner**

Sunday: June 27:

Awards distribution, handing over to clubs, and closing ceremony & with Minister of Interior & Municipalities HE Ziad Baroud and the Lebanese Classical Orchestra of Interior Security Forces at Grand Hills Hotel, 9:00AM-1:00PM, followed by Lunch



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Certification:

End of the 5th day, the participants will be certified as *Leading Peace Delegates* and will be able to deliver the same activities in their communities and be entitled to the “Train the Trainer” Peace Training program.

1. Conference: “Service Above Self”

Service: *Effective Citizens: Socially, Economically, Politically and Culturally*

Above: *Peace and International Understanding*

Self: *Self development workshops .*

Session -1- Effective Community: Socially, Economically, Politically and Culturally

Session Plan - Panel Discussion:

- Inviting four outstanding and inspirational speakers to present for 7 minutes each and tackle one aspect of the subject: social or economic, or political or cultural.
- Each speaker should answer the following three questions:
 - 1- Why do we need to be effective in the community (Social, Economic, Political and Cultural)
 - 2- What do we need to do to be effective in our communities (socially, economically, politically and culturally)?... Testimonials
 - 3- How to be effective in our communities (socially, economically, politically and culturally)?
- All panelists present for 30 min in total and the moderator facilitates the Q&As for an hour.

Session -2- Peace and International Understanding

Session Plan - a Documentary, a Testimonial, a Performance and a plenary discussion

- Two exceptional and successful experiences from the region that promote peace, development or change and have Two actions happening on stage consecutively.
- After each action, have 15 to 20mn reactions, impressions and learnings facilitated by moderator.
- Action -1- A documentary.
- Action -2- A testimonial with Generations for Peace

Session -3- Self-Development workshops

Session Plan - self-awareness exercises and a plenary discussion

- BEYOND trainers
 - A test on leadership tendencies and debrief on personal choices
 - A group exercise and debrief about identifying leadership skills
 - A game to exercise those skills and debrief with 5 ppt slides as a conclusion
- Then all groups come together in the plenary and present what they learned creatively



2. Sports: “Peace Through Sports”

Sportive peace trainings will be given by certified Rotaract- Peace delegates with Generations for Peace (GFP) organization, which is founded and chaired by **HRH Prince Feissal Al Hussain of Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan** and acknowledged by **International Olympic Committee**. The peace building Relay race and the logistics of the event will be supported by **Beirut Marathon Association, the Municipality of Byblos and Byblos International Festival**. Participants will learn to give the same trainings in their communities or organizations.

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The conference, accompanied by a massive marketing campaign covering Lebanon and the other participating countries, will be very special since it will take place in Lebanon after 8 years. It will be promoting non-smoking in public places and environmental hygiene and care.

Media

Based on Rotaract credibility, transparency and aim, we are promised the united partnerships of most local/international TV, newspaper and magazine presence for the sake of the youth of tomorrow.

About Us:

Rotary is a non political, non religious, nonprofit and world's first service club organization, with more than 1.2 million members in 33,000 clubs worldwide in more than 160 countries. Rotary club members are volunteers who work locally, regionally, and internationally to combat hunger, improve health and sanitation, provide education and job training, promote peace, and eradicate polio under the motto Service Above Self.

Rotaract is a Rotary-sponsored service club for young men and women ages 18 to 30. Rotaract efforts begin at the local, grassroots level, with members addressing their communities' physical and social needs while promoting international understanding and peace through a framework of friendship and service.

Rotaract District 2450 is comprised of nine (9) countries in (3) continents (Lebanon, Egypt, Jordan, Cyprus, Georgia, Armenia, Bahrain, UAE, and Sudan). It is the largest Rotaract & Rotary District in the world geographically.

Lebanon 17 Rotaract Clubs (Conference Organizers) all across Lebanon, assist in humanitarian projects that involve aid to the community in all levels. Non- smoking and road safety campaigns, working on the eradication of polio worldwide, assisting needs in health clinics, hospitals and blood banks, promoting awareness and various skill education to high school students through adopt-a-school program, providing aids for water treatment, and assistance to orphanages and institutes for the elderly, encouraging, promoting and organizing cultural activities, sportive events, team building and peace building trainings. Of course, this list represents only a small number of the efforts to serve Lebanese communities.



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With the private sector sponsorship, the public sector support, the organization of our young community leaders, and your presence, we will show our unity, collaboration and faith in youth for a better tomorrow throughout Lebanon and all Middle East, Africa, Asia, America, and Europe.

We are looking forward to win your presence to celebrate marked moments. It won't be the same without you.

God bless you

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