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Building Social Resilience and Solidarity: Community-Led Approaches to Addressing Global Crises

DATE:

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TIME:

4:45 pm – 6:00 pm EST

PLACE:

Conference Room 9, UNHQ
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SPEAKERS:

Opening remarks: **Dr. Despoina Afroditi Milaki**, UN Representative,
International Presentation Association

- **H.E. Mr. Fergal Mythen**, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Ireland
- **Ms. Wenyan Yang**, Chief, Global Dialogue for Development Branch, Division for Inclusive Social Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UNDESA)
- **Mr. Richard Rogusz**, Justice Contact, Queensland, Australia, International Presentation Association (video)
- **Dr. Balbinder Bhogal**, Professor of Religion, Hofstra University
- **Ms. Sonia Sanabria**, School Principal - **Ms. Alicia Rivarola**, Director of Programs and Innovation, Soroptimist International (video)
- **Mr. Carlos Rodriguez**, Chief Policy and Operations Officer, City Harvest
- **Ms. Neda Badiee Soto**, Bahá'í International Community

Closing remarks: **Queen Mother Dr. Delois Blakely**, Ambassador of Goodwill to Africa and the Community Mayor of Harlem

Moderators: **Maria Fornella-Oehninger**, UN Representative, Soroptimist International - **Iván Lorenci de Francisco**, UN Representative, Sikh Human Rights Group