**“Youth Dialogue and Peacebuilding” Summer School**

**Description:**

The 5-day course will bring together young leaders of the region who are interested in learning more about dialogue and peacebuilding skills. The participants will get to know and discuss concepts and principles of dialogue and peacebuilding and conditions for having a more peaceful society in a diverse and multicultural environment. They will learn about basic concept in peace studies including peace, violence and conflict as well as dynamics in conflicts and conflict transformation.

Participants will practice how to engage in constructive dialogues, how to deal with diverse perspectives, and jointly draft visions for a peaceful future.

The course will be facilitated in an interactive and participatory manner with trust building activities, dialogue exercises, role plays and storytelling elements. The course can be a starting point for a regional network of young leaders for dialogue and peacebuilding.

**Organizers:**

Organized jointly by Tehran Peace Museum and Berghof Foundation

Created by a non-governmental organization, the Society for Chemical Weapons Victims Support (SCWVS), the Tehran Peace Museum aims to raise awareness on the consequences of the wars and the use of weapons of mass destruction and to foster a culture of peace and non-violence through educational programs.

Berghof Foundation is an independent, non-governmental and non-profit organization that supports efforts to prevent political and social violence, and to achieve sustainable peace through conflict transformation.

**Date, Venue and Language of the Course:**

**Date**: 19 until 23 September 2017 (including one day excursion)

**Application deadline**: 20 July 2017

**Venue**: Tehran Peace Museum, Tehran, Iran

**Course language:** English

**Eligibility Criteria**

**Nationality:** Applicants from Iran, Iraq, Syria, Lebanon, Jordan, Kuwait, KSA, Bahrain, Qatar, UAE, Yemen, Oman, Palestine, Afghanistan and Pakistan are eligible to apply for the course.

**Age:** Applicants aged 20 to 30 are eligible for the course. Applicants aged 18-20 and 30-32 will be considered.

**Education:** Applicants who are students in or are graduated from a bachelor or master program are preferred.

**English Language Skills:** The summer School will be held fully in English. All applicants should be very good or fluent in reading, listening, speaking and writing in English. Presenting an international language degree (such as ILETS or TOFLE) is preferred.

**Applicants with a previous background of voluntary work or peace-oriented activities have priority for the course.**

**Short listed candidates will be notified for an interview in Tehran Peace Museum or via Skype.**

**All the communications related to the course would be via email. Applicants and participants should check their emails regularly.**

Applicants will be notified of the result of their application by 20 August 2017.

**Certificate:**

A certificate by Tehran Peace Museum and Berghof Foundation will be issued for participants who complete the 5 days of the course.

**Costs:**

Full scholarships for all participants are available which includes travel, visa, accommodation and full board.

The course is supported by Tehran Peace Museum, Berghof Foundation and Institutfür Auslandsbeziehungen (ifa) with funds provided by the German Federal Foreign Office.

**Application:**

To apply for the course, please send the following documents (in word or pdf format) to peace.education@tehranpeacemuseum.org by July 20th, 2017:

1. **Letter of interest (300 - 400 words)**
2. **CV (maximum 2 pages)**
3. **The completed application form**
4. **(Certificate of English language fluency is preferred.)**

**All questions regarding the admission process should be directed to peace.education@tehranpeacemuseum.org**