

# Aurora International Peace Conference

## The Role of Higher Education in Peacebuilding

17–21 February 2025, Universität Innsbruck



### Conference Program (version 14/02/2025)

We look forward to welcoming you in Innsbruck soon!



# 1. Conference Overview

Monday (February 17, 2025)	
Time	Sessions
15.00	Registration (1 <sup>st</sup> floor, Ágnes Heller Building)
16.00	Welcome and Thematic Introduction (Audimax) <b>Rina Alluri</b> (UNESCO Chair for Peace Studies, Universität Innsbruck) <b>Selma Porobić</b> (Aurora Karazin University Peace Education Hub) <b>Tetyana Kaganovska</b> (Rector, V. N. Karazin Kharkiv National University)
16.30	Keynote Address by <b>Ian S. Manzi</b> Audimax
18.00	Opening Reception in the Ágnes Heller Building

## Tuesday (February 18, 2025)

Time	Sessions						
09.00	Registration (1 <sup>st</sup> floor, Ágnes Heller Building)						
09.30	Keynote Address by <b>Beatrix Austin</b> Audimax						
10.30	Coffee Break						
Rooms	SR 8	SR 9	SR 11	SR 12	SR 1	SR 6	SR 7
11.00	Panel 1 hybrid	Panel 2	Panel 3 online	Rd Tb 1	WoSh 1	WoSh 2	WoSh 3
12.30	Lunch						
13.30	Plenary Session on <b>Universities' Peacebuilding Practices and Knowledge Diplomacy</b> Audimax						
15.00	Coffee Break						
Rooms	SR 8	SR 9	SR 11	SR 12	SR 1	SR 6	SR 7
15.30	Panel 4	Panel 5 hybrid	Panel 6 online	Rd Tb 2	WoSh 4	WoSh 5	WoSh 6
18.00	<b>Conference Grand Opening</b> at the <i>Landhaus</i> of the State of Tyrol [by invitation only] <b>Cornelia Hagele</b> (State Councilor, Tyrolean Government) <b>Georg Willi</b> (Deputy Mayor, City of Innsbruck) <b>Veronika Sexl</b> (Rector, Universität Innsbruck) <b>Martin Prochaszka</b> (Aurora President; Rector, Palacký University Olomouc) <b>Jeroen J.G. Geurts</b> (Rector Magnificus, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam)						
18.30	Keynote Address by <b>Madeleine Rees</b> Main Hall, Landhaus [by invitation only; will be streamed online, tbc]						
19.30	<b>Welcome Reception</b> at the Landhaus of the State of Tyrol [by invitation only]						

## Wednesday (February 19, 2025)

Time	Sessions						
09.00	Registration (1 <sup>st</sup> floor, Ágnes Heller Building)						
09.30	Keynote Address by <b>Frank Geary [online]</b> Audimax						
10.30	Coffee Break						
Rooms	SR 8	SR 9	SR 11	SR 12	SR 1	SR 6	SR 7
11.00	Panel 7 hybrid	Panel 8	Panel 9	Rd Tb 3	Rd Tb 4	WoSh 7	WoSh 8
12.30	Lunch						
13.30	Plenary Session on <b>Peace Education During and After Atrocities</b> Audimax						
15.00	Coffee Break						
Rooms	SR 8	SR 9	SR 11	SR 12	SR 1	SR 6	SR 7
15.30	Panel 10 hybrid	Panel 11	Panel 12	Rd Tb 5	WoSh 9	WoSh 10	WoSh 11
17.00	Coffee Break						
17.30	Keynote Address by <b>Oleksandra Matviichuk [online]</b> Lecture hall						
18.30	Concert of the <b>UniBigBand</b> (Aula of the SoWi Building)						

## Thursday (February 20, 2025)

Time	Sessions						
09.00	Registration (1 <sup>st</sup> floor, Ágnes Heller Building)						
09.30	Keynote Address by <b>Marko Lehti</b> Audimax						
10.30	Coffee Break						
Rooms	SR 8	SR 9	SR 11	SR 12	SR 1	SR 6	SR 7
11.00	Panel 13 hybrid	Panel 14 hybrid	Panel 15 hybrid	Rd Tb 6	Rd Tb 7	WoSh 12	WoSh 13
12.30	Lunch						
13.30	Plenary Session on <b>Peace Practices for Future Eco-Systems</b> Audimax						
15.00	Coffee Break						
Rooms	SR 8	SR 9	SR 11	SR 12	SR 1	SR 6	SR 7
15.30	Panel 16	Panel 17	Panel 18 online	Panel 19	Rd Tb 8	WoSh 14	WoSh 15
17.00	Coffee Break						
17.30	Keynote Address by <b>Savo Heleta</b> Audimax						
19.30	Film Screening: <b>Dear Beautiful Beloved</b> (Leokino)						

## Friday (February 21, 2025)

Time	Sessions						
09.00	Registration (1 <sup>st</sup> floor, Ágnes Heller Building)						
09.30	Keynote Address by <b>Norbert Koppensteiner</b> Audimax						
10.30	Coffee Break						
Rooms	SR 8	SR 9	SR 11	SR 12	SR 1	SR 6	
11.00	Panel 20 hybrid	Panel 21	Panel 22 hybrid	WoSh 16	WoSh 17	WoSh 18	
12.30	Final Remarks and Conference Closing Audimax						