



***Peacemakers in Action* Working Retreat
October 21-26, 2007
Sarajevo, Bosnia-Herzegovina**

Sunday 21 October

- Afternoon Opening Session: “Reflections and Hopes for the Week” (led by Tanenbaum)
- “Sharing Spiritual Reflections That Nourish” (led by Tanenbaum)

Monday 22 October

- “Cutting-Edge Conflict Resolution Training from an Interreligious Perspective”
(led by Imam Muhammad Ashafa and Pastor James Wuye, Nigeria)
- “Creating Commitment to a Ceasefire” (led by Father Alex Reid, Northern Ireland)
- Private Conversation with Bosnian Presidency Chairman Željko Komšić and Bosnian Presidency Member Haris Silajdžić and the *Peacemakers* network
- Public Ceremony and Press Conference:
 - *Peacemakers in Action* and *Women’s Peace Initiative* Awards Ceremony, presented by Bosnian Presidency
 - Book Panel: *Peacemakers in Action: Profiles of Religion in Conflict Resolution* (Cambridge University Press, 2007)

Tuesday 23 October

- “Roles of Religious Leaders in Environmental Activism and Sustainable Development”
(led by José “Chencho” Alas, El Salvador)
- Presentations from Regional Special Guests:
 - *Tim Clancy*, coordinator for eco-tourism for the Bosnian eco-group Green Visions and author of the first tour guide book on Bosnia-Herzegovina, the *Bradt Travel Guide to Bosnia-Herzegovina*
 - *Alen Lepirica*, founder, program manager and lead guide of Green Visions and a geographer and topographer

- *Rijad Tikvesa*, project coordinator for several projects with the NGO Egotism and eco-network Eko mreza BiH and an advisor to the government of the Federation of Bosnia-Herzegovina
- Annual Meeting of the Interreligious Council of Bosnia-Herzegovina and Performance by the Pontanima Choir

Wednesday 24 October

- “NGO Management Strategies” (led by Joyce Dubensky, Tanenbaum)
- Visit to Mostar and meeting with representatives from the City of Mostar, the local Muslim community and the local Roman Catholic community
- Visit to Žitomislić Serbian Orthodox Monastery, near Mostar
- Visit to Tekija Monastery (Tekke or Dervish house) in Blagaj, near the Buna River spring

Thursday 25 October

- “Including Marginalized Groups: Women as Peacemakers” (led by Tanenbaum)
- Presentations from Regional Special Guests:
 - *Carolyn Boyd*, field director of the World Council of Churches ‘Ecumenical Women’s Solidarity Fund’ (EWSF) for the former Yugoslavia
 - *Zilka Šiljak-Spahić*, Islamic Feminist Theologian and Religious Studies professor at the University of Sarajevo
 - *Vesna Teršelič*, founder and national coordinator of the Anti-War Campaign of Croatia (ARK) and an overseer of the Center for Peace, Non-Violence and Human Rights
- Visit with the Deputy Mayor of Sarajevo
- “Bringing Indigenous Religious Rituals into Peace Work” (led by the Rev. Bill Lowrey, United States)
- Tour of Jewish, Muslim and Orthodox sites of worship in the Stari Grad (Old Town) of Sarajevo, followed by tour and dinner at Friar Ivo Markovic’s own Franciscan Catholic church and monastery, Sv. Ante Franjevačka

Friday 26 October

- “Religion and Healthcare” (led by Joyce Dubensky, Tanenbaum)

- Closing Session: “What is the *Peacemakers* network? And how should we mobilize it?”
(led by Tanenbaum and *Peacemakers*)