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## Calendar of Events COP25 Madrid, Spain 2019

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The Brahma Kumaris World Spiritual University (BKWSU) has its spiritual headquarters in Mt. Abu, India and includes a worldwide network of centres in 110 countries. It is an international non-governmental organization of the United Nations accredited with General Consultative Status with the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC); Observer Status to the United Nations Environment Assembly of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP); Observer Organization to UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC); Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO).




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DATE	PROGRAM	LOCATION	OPEN FOR
Fri. 29 Nov. - Sun. 1 Dec.	<b>Conference of Youth COY 15</b>		
	<b>Conference of Youth COY 15</b> <a href="https://www.coy15.org/coy15">https://www.coy15.org/coy15</a> Workshop: "Consciousness, Lifestyle and Climate Change" and "How is it possible to integrate the cultivation of inner qualities and socio-ecological transformations to sustainability?"	Universidad Complutense de Madrid Av. Séneca, 2, 28040 Madrid	COY Delegates
Sun. 1 Dec.	<b>Interfaith Dialogue</b>		
15.30 - 21.00	<b>Interfaith Dialogue to Reflect on Hope and Real Solution on Climate Change.</b> As faith-based organisations, we are aware of the immense threat climate change is imposing on people's lives and on the effective enjoyment of their rights, especially for those who are in vulnerable situation. Through advocacy, mobilisation, capacity building and education, we could contribute significantly in addressing the tremendous challenges posed by climate change. We invite all faith-oriented participants of COP25 and other civil society groups to take part in this informal gathering to revisit and reinforce our commitment for climate actions. <a href="http://www.lareconciliacion.cl">www.lareconciliacion.cl</a> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brahma Kumaris World Spiritual University</li> <li>• Franciscans International</li> <li>• Dominicans for Justice and Peace</li> <li>• World Council of Churches</li> <li>• Lutheran World Federation</li> <li>• ACT Alliance</li> </ul>	Iglesia Evangélica Española, Calle Calatrava 25, Madrid	Open for All

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Green Faith</li> <li>• Quaker United Nations Office (QUNO)</li> <li>• Islamic Relief Service</li> <li>• CIDSE (tbc)</li> </ul>		
<b>Mon. 2 Dec.</b>	<b>Joint exhibition showcases at COP25</b>		
10.00 -18.00	<p>How shifts in consciousness and systemic thinking open doors to technologies and sustainable lifestyles grounded in integrity and care; and documents supporting UNFCCC Framework's objectives and purposes, and respect for the principle's fulfilment.</p> <p>Brahma Kumaris &amp; International Youth and Student Movement for the United Nations (ISMUN)</p>	<p>Blue Zone, Booth 2</p> <p>COP25 IFEMA, Av. del Partenón, Nº 5, 28042 Madrid</p>	COP Delegates
<b>Tue. 3 Dec.</b>	<b>Joint exhibition showcases at COP25</b>		
9.00 -17.00	<p>How shifts in consciousness and systemic thinking open doors to technologies and sustainable lifestyles grounded in integrity and care; and documents supporting UNFCCC Framework's objectives and purposes, and respect for the principle's fulfilment.</p> <p>Brahma Kumaris &amp; International Youth and Student Movement for the United Nations (ISMUN)</p>	<p>Blue Zone, Booth 2</p> <p>COP25 IFEMA, Av. del Partenón, Nº 5, 28042 Madrid</p>	COP Delegates
<b>Tue. 3 Dec.</b>	<b>Side event at UN DesaPavillion</b>		
14.45-16.00	<p><b>Peaceful pathways to sustainable solutions</b></p> <p>In this time of crisis and opportunity our workshop will focus on the co-benefits of working together in peace, for peaceful solutions. We will have short statements from five disciplines sharing how they focus on peace as an instigator for change. We will hear from science, faith, politics, spirituality, and health -- all so elemental -- if we are to create a better future. The event is designed in an integrative format to facilitate a space that accelerates vision, authentic communication, and unity; helping us refine our strategies and strengthen our ability to implement peaceful and inclusive solutions that offer support to all. Speakers:</p> <p><b>Thomas Bruhn</b>, Institute for Advanced Sustainability Studies  <b>Martin Frick</b>, Senior Director for Policy and Programme Coordination of the UNFCCC  <b>Marta Mararin</b>, Brahma Kumaris Coordinating Team, Spain  <b>Rev. Dr. Neddy Astudillo</b>, Director for Training and LatinoAmerica, Green Faith  <b>Dr. Nicole de Paula</b>, Klaus Töpfer Sustainability Fellow/Global Health Asia Institute</p> <p>Moderator: <b>Julia Grindon-Welch</b>, Brahma Kumaris Representative to UN, New York</p> <p>Co Hosts: Brahma Kumaris World Spiritual University &amp; Institute for Advanced Sustainability Studies.</p>	<p>Blue Zone, SDG Pavilion</p> <p>COP25 IFEMA, Av. del Partenón, Nº 5, 28042 Madrid</p>	COP Delegates

Tue. 3 Dec.	UNFCCC Side event		
16:45 - 18:15	<p><b>Inspiring Courage to Act and Adapt in a Climate Emergency</b>  Implementing the Paris Agreement in solidarity, compassion, and with policies that respect and protect rights, including human rights and Indigenous Peoples rights. Explore ways to transform lives, communities, politics, and economics in our global efforts to mitigate, adapt and foster resilience.  Speakers: <b>Ana Villalobos</b> - Delegation of Costa Rica  <b>Rev Chebon Kernell</b>- World Council of Churches  <b>Dr. Debra Roberts</b> - IPCC Co-Chair of WGII, 6th Report  <b>Dr. Mark Lawrence</b> – Inst. for Advanced Sustainability Studies  <b>Ben Schachter</b> - Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights  <b>Hindou Oumarou Ibrahim</b> - Association of Peul Women and Autochthonous Peoples of Chad (AFPAT)  <b>Sister Jayanti Kirpalani</b> - Director Brahma Kumaris in Europe  <b>Bishop Philip Huggins</b> - National Council of Churches, Australia  Moderator: <b>Lindsey Fielder Cook</b>, Quaker UN Office  Organised by: Friends World Committee for Consultation, Brahma Kumaris, Franciscans International, Quaker Earthcare Witness.</p>	Blue Zone Room 1  COP25 IFEMA, Av. del Partenón, Nº 5, 28042 Madrid	COP Delegates
Tue. 3 Dec.	Program at EU Pavilion		
18.30 -20.00	<p><b>Collective Adaption to the Climate Emergency</b>  It has become obvious that we already live under the threat of climate emergency. How can we adapt and prepare? Isolated actions by individuals, nations or faith communities are not enough to mitigate the carbon emission. All are called to respond with collective solidarity and commitment. A deep transformative adaptation is required to build inner resilience, develop strength and finally cultivate compassion and peace. The panellists will explore how science and faith-based communities can support humanity in the future climate-related disruptions.  Speakers: <b>Prof. Mark Lawrence</b>, Director at the Institute for Advanced Sustainability Studies (IASS) in Potsdam;  <b>Flavia Schlegel</b>, MD MAS, Special Envoy for Science in Global Policy, International Science Council (ISC);*tbc(  <b>Golo J. Pilz</b>, Energy Adviser to the Brahma Kumaris and Head of India-One Solar Thermal Power Plant;  <b>Sister Jayanti Kirpalani</b>, Director Brahma Kumaris in Europe and Middle East, Main Representative Brahma Kumaris to UN  <b>Bishop Philip Huggins</b>, President National Council of Churches, Australia</p>	Blue Zone, COP25  EU Pavilion 8 Room Helsinki  IFEMA, Av. del Partenón, Nº 5, 28042 Madrid	COP Delegates
Wed. 4 Dec.	Press Conference of Brahma Kumaris		
12.00 -12.30	<p><b>Climate Emergency needs Visionary Leadership</b>  Whilst scientific evidence provides facts that tell us that a fundamental shift on all levels of society needs to happen, we are still not clear about how to facilitate the necessary transformation. Faith based organizations share the message that spirituality and virtues need to be our guidelines again. What more do we as change makers have to develop personally to be able to become leaders and visionaries for others? Welcome to a press conference where pioneers share their insights.</p>	Blue Zone, Press Conference Room 2 ESPERANZA  COP25 IFEMA, Av. del Partenón, Nº 5, 28042 Madrid	COP Delegates

	Speakers: <b>Sister Jayanti Kirpalani</b> , Director Brahma Kumaris in Europe and Middle East, Main Rep. of Brahma Kumaris to UN <b>Golo J. Pilz</b> , Energy Adviser to the Brahma Kumaris and Head of India-One Solar Thermal Power Plant <b>Martin Frick</b> , Senior Director for Policy and Programme Coordination of the UNFCCC		
<b>Sun. 8 Dec.</b>	<b>Program at St George's Hall</b>		
13:45 – 17:45	<b>A Sanctuary Space - a quiet afternoon to reflect, share success and create connection</b> With understanding of the importance of COP25 process and with appreciation of the hard work so far, everyone is invited to a relaxing space, to reflect and recharge, to share a moment with new and old friends, to engage in nourishing, uplifting and inspiring conversations. The program will include an introduction by Martin Frick, Senior Director UNFCCC, dialogue in small groups (clusters of fours), a philosophical dialogue: Interconnectedness of Climate Change and Consciousness, group meditation experience: Meditation and Negotiation and sharing experiences over afternoon tea.  Organized by: Brahma Kumaris, National Council of Churches in Australia, Anglican Communion Environmental Network, Institute for Advanced Sustainability Studies (IASS)	St George's Hall, Calle de Núñez de Balboa, 43, 28001, Madrid	By invitation  RSVP online no later than Monday 2 Dec. 2019: <a href="https://a-sanctuary-space.eve.ntbrite.co.uk">https://a-sanctuary-space.eve.ntbrite.co.uk</a> .
<b>Mon. 9 Dec.</b>	<b>Press Conference of Solar Cookers</b>		
11.00 -11.30	<b>Press Conference of Solar Cookers</b> Guest speaker: Mr. Golo J. Pilz, Energy Adviser to the Brahma Kumaris and Head of India-One Solar Thermal Power Plant	Press Conference Room  COP25 IFEMA, Av. del Partenón, Nº 5, 28042 Madrid	COP Delegates
<b>Mon. 9 Dec.</b>	<b>Press conference of Brahma Kumaris</b>		
14.00 -14.30	<b>Inner Resilience in times of Climate Emergency</b> Speakers: Sister Jayanti Kirpalani, Director Brahma Kumaris in Europe, Main Representative of Brahma Kumaris to UN Golo J. Pilz, Energy Adviser to the Brahma Kumaris and Head of India-One Solar Thermal Power Plant	Press Conference Room 2 ESPERANZA  COP25 IFEMA, Av. del Partenón, Nº 5, 28042 Madrid	COP Delegates
<b>Tue. 10 Dec.</b>	<b>Program of Brahma Kumaris at ColegioCalasancio</b>		
19.00 - 20.30	<b>Creating Inner Resilience in Challenging Times</b> When faced with personal or global challenges, we are encouraged to revise our way of thinking and our lifestyle. In the midst of change, lies the opportunity to develop inner resilience and resources needed to ensure a more harmonious and sustainable world. You are warmly invited to an evening program held in connection with the UN Climate Change Conference COP25. Speakers: <b>Sister Jayanti Kirpalani</b> , Director Brahma Kumaris Europe and Middle East; Main representative to the UN <b>Golo Pilz</b> , Energy Adviser to the Brahma Kumaris and Head of	ColegioCalasancioC onde de Peñalver51 – 28006 Madrid  Free admission <a href="http://brahmakumaris.es">brahmakumaris.es</a>	Open for All

	India-One Solar Thermal Power Plant Presenter: <b>Joaquín Tamames</b> , Ananta Foundation Performance of the <b>Alborada Choir</b>		
<b>Wed. 11 Dec.</b>	<b>Side event at German Pavilion</b>		
11.00 -12.15	<b>The power of cooperation between science, faith and political movements.</b> Being effective in climate action and enhance climate resilience. No single group of society will be able to change the course of the climate crises alone. We need to combine expertise, experiences and creative ideas from all parts of society to achieve a global transformation. To strengthen the democratic nature of the Paris Agreement we need spaces where stakeholders can actually reorient themselves, really listen to each other's perspectives without a perceived need to compete. You are invited to discuss together with change makers in a fishbowl format. Format: presentations by experts followed by fishbowl conversation. Speakers: <b>Lisa Plattner</b> , WWF Austria <b>Golo Joachim Pilz</b> , Energy Adviser to the Brahma Kumaris and Head of India-One Solar Thermal Power Plant <b>Anna Skowron</b> , World Future Council <b>Dr. Sebastian Helgenberger</b> , Institute for Advanced Sustainability Studies/ Potsdam Moderation: <b>Carolin Fraude</b> , IASS; Brahma Kumaris	German Pavilion, Hall 6 in the Exhibition Ground  Blue Zone, COP25 IFEMA, Av. del Partenón, Nº 5, 28042 Madrid	COP Delegates
<b>Thu. 12 Dec.</b>	<b>Side event at Chile Pavilion</b>		
13.45 -15.15	<b>The Future We Want through Mobilizing Different Knowledge Traditions.</b> This side event will discuss 'The Future We Want', starting off with a number of scientific, spiritual and indigenous perspectives on the themes of leadership, community engagement and shared responsibility in the context of an impending climate and humanitarian crisis. The aim of this session is to explore the ways in which different knowledge perspectives can enrich each other in the face of change to spark new ideas and approaches. The event offers an interactive format called 'fishbowl' that also includes the audience and closes with a reflective practice. Speakers: <b>Gonzalo Munoz</b> , COP Champion of Chilean Presidency <b>Jayanti Kirpalani</b> , Director of Brahma Kumaris for Europe and Middle East, Main Representative to UN <b>Fletcher Harper</b> , Director, Green Faith <b>Prof. Mark Lawrence</b> , Director at the Institute for Advanced Sustainability Studies (IASS) in Potsdam <b>Golo Joachim Pilz</b> , Energy Adviser to the Brahma Kumaris and Head of India-One Solar Thermal Power Plant Moderators: <b>Carolin Fraude</b> , Institute for Advanced Sustainable Studies, <b>Sonja Ohlsson</b> , Brahma Kumaris	Chile Pavilion  COP25 IFEMA, Av. del Partenón, Nº 5, 28042 Madrid	COP Delegates

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