



**Auschwitz-Oswiecim Project, Poland**  
**ONE HUMANITY FOR SUSTAINABLE PEACE**

**Establishing an Educational Institute  
from Hate to Hope**

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World War II was a major horror in our history causing more than 60 million deaths eliminating more than .3% of the world's population.

Now in the little town of Oswiecim, housing 41,000 inhabitants, who live directly next to the Death Camps of Auschwitz and Birkenau, there is a desire to build a positive reputation. One million bodies have been burned here and ashes dumped everywhere, even into the local swimming lake. The stench of these ashes remains in the air's atmosphere and the some of the town's areas can be considered one giant cemetery.

Two million visitors come annually for daily visits to the horrific historic site that has been maintained exactly as it was used to remind people NEVER AGAIN. People enter the Camp and tour the site leaving deeply impressed with a hanging sense of despair and leave the town, most often, as fast as possible. It is not a place to stay for a visit.

On the other hand, Auschwitz has been the world's pressure point for the formulation of the United Nations, the state of Israel and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.



Impressive bridge project of the Town of Oswiecim:



Kładka dla pieszych na rzece Sole autorstwa Jarosława Kozakiewicza w rejonie Państwowego Muzeum Auschwitz-Birkenau  
Footbridge on the river Sola by Jarosław Kozakiewicz in the area of The Auschwitz-Birkenau State Museum

Children of the Earth is pursuing conversations with the town officials of Oswiecim. Our vision is to focus on transforming the symbol of the past horrors also into a place of HOPE for the future. We are, as a group, planning, with the town Mayor and others, programs that will initiate this process. The world must learn now that the past is the past and the present and future do have potentials for a better future. Oswiecim has been officially appointed a UN Peace Messenger City of Peace. The Mayor continues to build this concept. The town itself is preparing a Bridge of Infinity of the Nations Reconciliation Park to the Camp to further the recognition of its positive identity



### **One Humanity - educating for a Culture of Peace**

**Purpose** - To help transform Auschwitz from not only being a living memorial of horror to supporting the town and its people plans and adding establishing an educational Institute as a place of HOPE for a better future.

**Mission** – To renovate the Barracks Camp #1, in alignment with survivors who have asked for an educational facility to be in place of a deserted rundown building, and not be part of the historic museum, but rather to be an educational facility.

**Vision** - One Humanity is a phrase we hear commonly now as we focus on our global awareness and interdependence. This is the direction we are moving into if we are to succeed with life. Our focus is to have this Institute be a model of understanding of what this means and how one becomes One Humanity so we have a world of peace. The invitation is to all and any organizations that can align with this and work collaboratively to form a union for global impact in the fields of education, religion, and cultural evolution establishing the Culture of Peace.



## Institute

Our collaborative purpose is to focus on saving our Planet Earth and not destroy all humankind through climate change, environmental degradation, poverty and most important national, international and internal wars. Thus, if we are to change our behaviors, then our educational system must also alter. Our systems need to reflect this deepest understanding of what it means to be human and to live at a time when the essence of a global society is truly existent and illustrates interconnectedness of all intentions and deeds. The need for moral education and the rising potential of the empowered voice of individuals has been in a process of evolution. We must lead with our hearts, use our minds, further our understandings of how our systems work and look for new solutions, and then to learn how to behave as one family of humankind. We must establish a Culture of Peace.



## Description of Institute

The mission of the Institute is to support Humanity in creating a future that embodies the universal values of peace, tolerance, dignity, freedom, equality, and solidarity for all life. The Institute will offer structured learning opportunities for young people and adults for formal and non-formal education as well as include leaders from private industry, governments and NGOs that inspire, motivate and unite them to translate these universal values into global action and culturally appropriate projects in their own communities.

This will be a collaborative project with many peace, youth, private organizations and government agencies to encourage full diversity of ideas and practices. Our goal is to house programs for Oswiecim housing Auschwitz by many visionaries and caring peoples for posterity to know NEVER AGAIN and only better. It's one thing to learn about how to prevent and resolve conflict and promote peace with justice. But it's quite another to hear firsthand from Nobel Peace Laureates, social entrepreneurs, leading educators for peace and nonviolence, foreign policy analysts or UN representatives who are doing this work. There will be a wide variety of courses, exchanges with many countries, guest lecturers, as well as leadership trainings and other activities developed by committed peace activists. When we speak Sustainable Peace, we mean discourse on Human Rights, Rights of the Children, Environmental Care, Spiritual and Interreligious views, Intercultural and Multicultural Dialogue, Disarmament and personal, local, national and international Development.

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