

UPF Munich, Germany's Peace Road Project 2021

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"Peace - Shalom - Salam Aleykum" was the motto of the Munich Universal Peace Federation and its sister organization the Women's Federation for World Peace for the Peace Road Project 2021, this global peace project that aims to connect the whole world.

On Sunday 4th July, fifteen participants gathered for a peace bike tour, armed with Peace Road banners, T-shirts, and international flags and the enthusiasm to make a mark for peace and unification.

They started in Planegg and cycled along the little river Würm to Munich-Pasing.

They made the first stop at the Church of Maria Schutz, where they spoke prayers for peace. To pray together has great power.

Then they went to the mosque of the Turkish-Muslim community in Munich-Pasing, which is very close by. There they were welcomed very hospitably with a cup of Turkish tea.

The imam of the community then gave a tour of the prayer room, explained the furnishings and ornamentation, and recited a Sura from the Koran as a prayer for peace.

Then there was a lively exchange on religious topics.

Finally, the group met at the nearby UPF center for a small closing party with snacks and drinks. The gathering was particularly warm because the Covid-19 pandemic had meant that they had not met in person for so long.

Our section of the global Peace Road 2021 was perhaps rather small, but we were aware that we were a shining stone of this large mosaic image for peace. And we have contributed our part to the goal of the Peace Road "Connecting the World Through Peace".