



THE MEA PEACE MISSION IS STRENGTHENED AND CONTINUES WITH HOLY LAND VISIT OF POPE



May 26, 2014 - We join in celebrating the commitment of Pope Francis, Rabbi Abraham Skorka, and Sheikh Omar Abboud, the Imam of Argentina's Muslim community; as they travel throughout the Holy Land promoting the message of Peace initiated by the Peace Mission in 2012. We are very encouraged at the advances this trip has brought about; and look forward to the journey continuing to the Peace Mission Summit 2015. We are finally witnessing the fruit of the seeds planted back in 2012 by Mr. Shamis' Peace Mission.

Mr. Shamis, the founder of the Peace Mission, continues to gather support for inter-faith cooperation that will bring about sustainable Peace and prevails upon us to build a stronger community that will provide the environment for sustainable economic development for the greater global community. Mr. Shamis was asked about his involvement, and shared the following: "I am privileged to provide a conduit through which we can change the global paradigm of conflict; and Pope Francis has evidenced his leadership through example. Jordan's King Abdullah II continues to be a distinct light of leadership as His Excellency continues to provide shelter and safety of thousands of refugees. Let us continue to be agents of change for sustainable peace, our work advances toward our Peace Mission Summit 2015 at our selected prime location providing safety and security as we welcome our partners and sponsors.



World Youth Bank Network (WYBN), United Nations Global Compact international NGO, had mandated for September 2013 Vatican Mission its WYBN Italy-Brasil Expert Working Group on Poverty Eradication (Naples, Italy).

WYBN & PEACE MISSION Group was hosted by HE Tomaso Caputo, Archbishop Prelat of Pompei and Pontificat Delegate. Working meeting was held in Piazza B. Longo, Pompei on 19 September 2013. Collaboration platform between World Youth Bank Network and Vatican authorities has been confirmed on the ground of common interests; and to continue both institutions support to the Peace Mission by arranging official reception of the WYBN/Peace Mission leaders by His Holiness Pope Francis in mid-October 2013 in Vatican City (Rome, Italy). Mr. Mikhael Jaime Shamis, Board President of the World Youth Bank and Head of Peace Mission Project mandated for preparation of perspective visit of His Holiness Pope Francis to The Gulf Region.



Mr. Shamis in Naples, Italy on Peace Mission conference with Archbishop Tomaso Caputo September, 2013