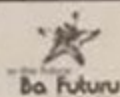


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NOBEL PEACE PRIZE WINNERS MENTORING YOUTH TO CHANGE THE WORLD

"Timorese changemakers look to the past to build a peaceful future!"

Dili, Timor-Leste – At times of uncertainty it is everyone's responsibility to create peace. This year more than 200 Timorese young people are joining together to spread peace through a two-day youth leadership conference, PeaceJam. The theme of this year's conference is looking at the past to build a peaceful future.

On the 29th and 30th of November the 4th PeaceJam event in Timor-Leste will take place at the National Chega Center. This year PeaceJam, the organization famous for the #billionactsofpeace campaign, is working together with the Rotaract Club of Dili, NGO Ba Futuru, the National Chega Center, and the Secretary of State for Youth and Work to make this happen. The main event sponsor, Brian Kelly, is the founder and CEO of The Points Guy (TPG), a digital platform renowned worldwide for all points, miles and travel related tips. Kelly brought a film crew to Timor-Leste (although he himself didn't make it due to the volcanic ash in Bali) in order to help promote Timor-Leste as a tourism destination.

PeaceJam is an international peace education non-profit that has been nominated 9 times for the Nobel Peace Prize for its award-winning curriculum and transformational youth leadership conferences. For 20 years, PeaceJam has inspired youth leaders worldwide in 39 countries to greatly impact their communities through social action projects. After identifying an issue, the young people create service projects and receive mentoring from a Nobel Peace Prize winner.

PeaceJam's Billion Acts Campaign is led by 14 Nobel Peace Laureates, including José Ramos Horta, The Dalai Lama, Desmond Tutu and other Nobel Peace Prize winners who have worked with the PeaceJam to mentor over 1.2 million youth worldwide.

The Timor-Leste conference this year has dynamic speakers including Jose Neves (Deputy Minister of Education and Culture and former political prisoner), Nivio Magalhaes (Secretary of State for Youth and Labor), Nurima Alkatiri (Member of Parliament, Fretilin), Fidelis Magalhaes (Member of Parliament, PLP) and Naldo Rei (activist, author and former political prisoner).

This year the conference includes action projects and workshops with the support of Peace Corps Timor-Leste, Dili International School, Water Aid, Marie Stopes, UNDP's Knua Juventude Fila Liman entrepreneurship program, as well as Cesar Trinito Freitas Gaio of Dilicious; Cristina Costa Ribeiro, founder of the Saint Anthony's International School; Sierra James, founder of NGO Ba Futuru; and environmental activist Jafet Potenzo Lopes, among others! Join us and see what it is all about!



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