

Doha World Negotiation Day Agenda

Sheraton Grand, Doha, Qatar, 8 December 2025

11:30 - 12:30

Masterclass/Practical Toolkit Session on Key Cross-Cultural Negotiation

12:30 - 14:00

Lunch

14:00 - 14:15

Opening Ceremony - Welcoming Remarks and Keynote Speech

14:15 - 14:35

Fireside Chat with a Distinguished Guest - TBC

14:35 - 15:50

High-level Panel - Negotiating Peace in a Fragmented World: The Case for Preventive Diplomacy Today

The world is experiencing a dangerous resurgence of armed conflict and violent polarization, from Ukraine and Gaza to Sudan and the Sahel. These crises expose the limits of reactive crisis management and underscore the urgent need for preventive diplomacy and negotiation as the first line of defense against war. Millions of lives are at stake, with women and girls disproportionately affected by cycles of violence and displacement. At this critical juncture, dialogue is not an option but a moral and political imperative.

This debate will provide a space for leaders, diplomats, and practitioners to reflect on the lessons of today's conflicts, examine the obstacles to negotiation in a fragmented world, and explore how preventive diplomacy can be revitalized as a credible tool of collective security. The discussion will highlight the role of the United Nations, regional organizations, civil society, and reassert the need for political will to place peace and prevention back at the heart of international cooperation.

15:50 - 16:05

Award Ceremony and Closing Speeches

- Doha 'Best Negotiator of the Year 2025' Award recipient

16:05

Reception - TBC

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