CONFERENCE

BUILDING-UP TOLERANCE

February 26, 2014

Program

Washington, DC
USA

Wednesday, February 26, 2014
US Institute of Peace
Simon Conference Room (B241)
Washington, DC

Registration of participants 9:30 – 10:00 am

Opening Remarks 10:00-10:25 am
Conference Chair – Leonid Stonov, UCSJ International Director

- Summary of previous day Symposium’s results
- Introduction of the participants

Session III “National Mechanisms for Fostering and Promoting Tolerance”
10:25 am-12:00 pm
Moderator, Anastasia Aseeva, Moscow Helsinki Group

Legislative branches. Ensuring a legislative non-discriminative agenda.
- Robyn Lieberman, Human Rights First
- Nataliya Yudina, Expert of SOVA Center
- Discussion
Observation and implementation of non-discriminatory practices by executive branches
- Kyle Parker, United States Helsinki Commission
- Valeriy Borshchev, Charitable Foundation “Social Partnership”
  Discussion

Participation of civil society in the work of national mechanisms in fostering tolerance
- Rachel Laser, Religious Action Center of Union of Reform Jews
- Sergei Burianov, Freedom of Conscience Institute
  Discussion

Finalizing Session III
Moderator, Anastasia Aseeva, Moscow Helsinki Group

« Lunch 12:45-1:45pm »

Session IV “Forms of Dialogue for Fostering Tolerance” 1:45-2:30 pm
Moderator, Catherine Cosman, United States Commission on International Religious Freedom

Formation of unified approaches among human rights activists and groups towards treating various types of discrimination
- Brian Pierce, International Religious Freedom Roundtable
- Daniil Mechsheryakov, Association of Regional Human Rights Organizations, Moscow Helsinki Group
  Discussion

Fostering communication among created work groups
- Nela Navarro, Associate Director, Director of Education, CHGR
- Vadim Karastelev, Moscow Helsinki Group
  Discussion

Embracing the of the Coalition Against Hate
- Leonid Stonov, UCSJ International Director
- Dmitrii Makarov, Youth Human Rights Movement
  Discussion

Finalizing Session “Towards the Culture of Tolerance: Moving Forward” 3:30-4:00 pm
Moderator, Lawrence I. Lerner, UCSJ President

  - Closing discussion
  - Defining spheres for workgroups