

A TRAINING PROGRAMME FOR THOSE CONCERNED ABOUT RECONCILIATION IN AN INCREASINGLY BROKEN WORLD

Arrival: 4th February 2025

Departure: 14th February 2025

We invite Christians living and working in divided communities to join the second edition of the European School of Reconciliation at Asociația PERSPECTIVE Daneș in Sighisoara, Mureș County, Romania.

Across Europe, we experience escalating violence and conflicts, the effects of immigration, and symptoms of unhealed historical wounds. These serve as evidence of the need for healing and reconciliation in families, churches, and communities.

Learn how to help your hurting community be healed through taking part in the Healing Hearts Transforming Nations (HHTN) workshop, followed by a training course that will equip you to run the workshop in your area of ministry.

EUSOR 2025 includes 2 sections. It begins with the **Healing Hearts Transforming Nations (HHTN) Workshop** and is immediately followed by a **Training of Facilitators** course to learn how to run the HHTN Workshop. You may do the HHTN Workshop without the Training of Facilitators course, but taking part in the HHTN Workshop is a prerequisite to doing the Training of Facilitators Course. Once you have done both sections, you will have completed the European School of Reconciliation.

BACKGROUND

In the weeks following the end of the genocide in Rwanda in 1994, while there were still unburied bodies lying on the ground, Dr Rhiannon Lloyd, a British Christian Psychiatrist was asked to travel there to help establish a counselling programme to start the process of reconciliation. What she found, in this deeply Christian country, was totally overwhelming. Not just a nation destroyed, but a church discredited and implicated in what had happened, with its leaders bitter, confused, angry and in despair. In a land of eight million people, up to one million had been killed in the most terrible way by their neighbours in towns, villages and churches.

It was clear that, above all else, the church needed healing. The church should have been the expression of God's love, grace, peace, and refuge, but for many, it had been a place of killing. As Rhiannon tried to speak to gatherings of Christians, she was faced with an explosion of pain, anger, recrimination and rage. Nothing in her training as a psychiatrist had prepared her for this. So, in the midst of this outpouring of grief and anger, she prayed. God began to show her that people in such pain cannot begin to forgive until they have had their pain dealt with. She saw that the cross of Jesus was not just a place to find forgiveness for sin, but also a place where people could bring all their grief, pain and sorrows. She saw that in Isaiah 53, before sin and iniquity is mentioned, scripture talks about Jesus bearing our griefs, carrying our sorrows and paying the price for our healing.

And so began the development of a three-day workshop based firmly on the truths and principles established in the Bible. In the most astonishing and outrageous ways, men and women who had suffered abuse or were abusers were reconciled. The destroyed nation of Rwanda took notice. The workshop, originally called Healing Wounds of Ethnic Conflict (HWEC), was later renamed Healing Hearts Transforming Nations (HHTN). It was used throughout the nation, and spread to neighbouring countries and beyond. In the years that followed, it has changed the lives of millions around the world.

This workshop was born in Africa. It has been developed in Africa in the wake of multiple violent conflicts. It has proved the power of God's truth to change lives, stop wars and reconcile different groups within nations. This is an opportunity to let God's truth, distilled through the pain of Rwanda, speak into other conflicts and broken hearts.

OUR CONTEXT

The Russia-Ukraine conflict has shattered the notion that divisions and violence are confined to regions like Africa; its impact has spread across Europe. The influx of refugees from the Middle East and Africa, along with broader migration trends, has significantly altered the demographic makeup of European cities and towns. This is evident in places like Hamburg, Germany, where even smaller cities now house populations representing over 50 ethnic groups. Even more deeply rooted in Europe is long standing symbolic violence leading to structural violence and ingrained prejudices against certain ethnic groups. In some European countries, the Roma suffered through 500 years of slavery.

In response, Churches, schools and institutions are awakening to the reality of the need to turn the discomfort of diversity into a symphony of multi-cultural living.

The Peace and Reconciliation Network of the World Evangelical Alliance, in partnership with HHTN Global and Resonate Global Mission are bringing to you the second edition of the European School of Reconciliation.

While attendance is encouraged in small groups of 2 to 5 individuals, individual participants are also welcome.

PRINCIPAL SPEAKERS/ WORKSHOP AND COURSE FACILITATORS



Dr. Rhiannon Lloyd of Healing the Nations UK is the original creator of the workshop. She has introduced it in many countries worldwide. She continues to support the expanding ministry of HHTN through HHTN Global. Dr Lloyd is now retired in her home country of Wales. She will facilitate her sessions via Zoom.

Rev. Joseph Nyamutera is a Rwandan pastor who lived through the pain of the genocide. He has worked alongside Dr. Rhiannon Lloyd for many years and now dedicates much of his time to training others to lead workshops across Africa. He has also been invited to lead workshops on other continents. Joseph founded Rabagirana Ministries near Kigali, which remains a renowned voice in healing and reconciliation for Rwanda.





Rev. George de Vuyst is an American pastor with Resonate Global Mission. He has been serving in Ukraine for over 20 years. After Russia first invaded Ukraine in 2014, he began to run the HHTN workshop across the front line between Ukraine and Russia. He also developed the Eurasian School of Reconciliation to train others to run the HHTN workshop from all over Europe and the nations of the former Soviet Union. He is involved with the development of HHTN Global and has been running workshops and training courses in the USA. He completed the 2015 International School of Reconciliation in Rwanda.

Bethany Serengheu is founder of ONE Coaching and Conflict Management and Team Coordinator for

the Peace and Reconciliation Network in Europe, a commission of the World Evangelical Alliance. She was born in Canada but grew up in Asia. After marrying a Romanian, she began to minister in Romania. She ministered as a leader of worship, in Women's ministries, and with NGOs in operational, administrative, humanitarian and church development. After completing her Masters in Peace and Conflict Studies, Bethany worked with a peace institute as a Project Manager establishing Protection Support Hubs for Ukrainian Refugees fleeing the war in Ukraine. She has also completed her Coaching training and offers both conflict coaching and consulting. After the completion of the HHTN workshop and the Training of Facilitators through the European School of Reconciliation at Le Rucher Ministries, Bethany continues to work alongside HHTN Global as a PRN representative, working to see



the church embrace their commission as ambassadors of Christ, fulfilling and engaging others in the ministry of reconciliation.

PROGRAMME

Healing Hearts Transforming Nations Workshop

Arrival on 4th and Departure on 8th February 2025

One evening and three full days – all need to be attended.

This workshop begins with an evening meal at 6:00 PM on Tuesday, 4th February, with the introduction to the course immediately following. Wednesday – Friday will begin at 8:30 AM and will end at 6:00 PM each day. Please plan your departure for the morning of Saturday 8th February, 2025.

The objective of this workshop will be to enable participants to genuinely open their hearts to God's word as it speaks about our own need for healing and reconciliation. It will deal with preconceptions and wrong attitudes and help us to find our own healing.

Warning – although there will be opportunity to look at the theology behind the workshop, it is not an academic exercise. All the pain, trauma, healing and reconciliation of many peoples have been poured into this workshop. You will be touched by God. You may be changed.

Training of Facilitators

Sunday 9 February – Friday 14 February

One evening and four full days.

The workshop will begin at 6:00 PM with an evening meal and an introduction to the course immediately following. Every session must be attended

Monday – Thursday will begin each day at 8:30 AM and will end after the evening meal each day.

Please plan your departure for the morning of Friday 14 February.

LOCATION

i) Venue: Sighisoara, Mureș County, Romania, at Asociația PERSPECTIVE Daneș.

ii) Nearest Airports:

- Târgu Mureş International Airport About 60 km from Danes (roughly an hour's drive).
- Sibiu International Airport Approximately 90 km away (around a 1.5-hour drive).
- Cluj-Napoca International Airport About 160 km away (2-2.5 hours' drive).
- Bucharest Henri Coandă International Airport (OTP) Approximately 285 km away (4 to 5 hours drive)

For the trip to Daneş, you would need to fly into one of these airports and then take a train, bus or car to reach your destination.

iii) **Accommodation:** Accommodation is available at Perspective Danes. There are two double occupancy rooms and single bed (bunk beds) in shared rooms up to 8 people. There are shared bathrooms and washing facilities for men and women.

CHARGES

HHTN WORKSHOP ONLY 4-8 FEB 2025	HHTN WORKSHOP AND TRAINING OF FACILITATORS 4-14 FEB 2025
Workshop with lodging at Perspective Danes ➤ Double Occupancy Room 220 Euros per person – All inclusive (4 nights) ➤ Single Bed (Bunk beds) room shared by 8 people 208 Euros per person – All Inclusive (4 nights)	Workshop and TOF with lodging at Perspective Danes (includes stay over the weekend) ➤ Double Occupancy Room 654 Euros per person − All inclusive (10 nights) ➤ Single Bed (Bunk beds) room shared by 8 people 642 Euros per person − All inclusive (10 nights)
Workshop without Lodging > 138 Euros per person	Workshop and TOF without lodging > 424 Euros per person
Non-refundable registration fee > 100 Euros per person (included in total price)	Non-refundable registration fee > 100 Euros per person (included in total price)

Payment Details

Send your payment to;

Asociatia Perspective Danes
RO47 BRDE 270S V943 0673 2700

Please add a note 'Donation training/workshop HHTN'

Cancellation Policy: If for any reason you must cancel and/or want to reschedule, your non-refundable registration fee is not transferable to another seminar.

APPLICATION

To receive the application and registration details, please contact Patience at info@hhtnglobal.org

Notice: Before you fill out the EUSOR application form, we want to assure you that we fully respect your privacy and will always keep your details confidential. They are never shared with a 3rd party. We use this information only to determine our ability to serve you. We will only use your email address to notify you whether your application is accepted and/or to clarify any further information.

We do not use this information to make any automated decisions that might affect you. If you are accepted, your information is securely archived. Only the information you voluntarily share with us in the application form is collected.

If we are unable to accommodate your request (due to dates, etc.) your information is automatically deleted after 30 days. You have the right under EU law to request that your data be erased so feel free to contact us after your training if you would like us to delete your identifying information from our records.

HHTN FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How long are HHTN events? Several formats are possible for presenting the materials, but the most effective are the 3-day, 4 night residential events.

Can I attend one of your events? Of course – but take note that events are being held around the world. Look at the event page for more information. (https://hhttpsio.org/events/) As each part of the event builds on the previous session, full participation is essential.

What is the goal of these events? The goal is to have a fresh encounter with God and one another in order to discover God's plan for unity in diversity, and to experience healing from any wounds inflicted by division and hatred.

Who are you targeting? Preferably Christian leaders or people of influence in the community who are able to put into practice what they have experienced.

How can I apply for someone to come and lead one of your events in my local context? The aim is always to equip local people to be agents of healing and reconciliation in their own countries, rather than running one-off events. The best case would be for someone in your country to attend the International School of Reconciliation in Europe, Africa or North America. They can then assess the approach and go back to present it to various Christian leaders in your local context.

How can I be trained to facilitate HHTN? The first step is to experience HHTN yourself. Currently, events are being held in Africa, Europe, and North America. You can find upcoming events on the Event tab of our web page. We also provide regular training of facilitators in Europe, Africa, and North America. We called these events "Schools of Reconciliation". Upcoming schools are posted on the Event page.

We are having conflict in our church / community. Could someone come with your reconciliation skills to help us? While the primary focus of HHTN is on inter-ethnic and inter-racial conflict, the Biblical principles that are the foundation of HHTN can be applied to any conflict situation. To connect with the HHTN global leadership to explore helping in your particular situation, please contact info@hhtnglobal.org.

I am not a Christian, can I attend HHTN? Yes, any person can attend HHTN events understanding that HHTN is an explicitly Christian approach to healing and reconciliation.

SUPPORTING ORGANISATIONS

HHTN Global As the work of HHTN grew globally, many who had no relationship with either Le Rucher or Healing the Nations, began to use and teach the workshop. It became clear that a Network needed to be established that was international, non-denominational and reflecting the principles of reconciliation learned at great cost over the years, especially the "Bible First" principle. The Network is to be a place of genuine networking and encouragement where resources can be held, information disseminated, and standards of material and teaching maintained. In January 2022 HHTN Global was formally accepted as a ministry of and became accountable to "The Forerunner Charitable Trust", a Trust registered with the Charity Commission of England and Wales.

The Peace and Reconciliation Network (PRN), a commission of the World Evangelical Alliance, is dedicated to promoting peace, reconciliation and justice in communities affected by conflict. By empowering individuals and organisations through training and dialogue, PRN promotes grassroots peacebuilding initiatives that address the root causes of division. With a global perspective and a commitment to understanding local contexts, the network advocates for justice, shares best practices, and collaborates with various stakeholders, including faith-based organisations and NGOs. Through its efforts, the PRN seeks to inspire transformative change, embodying the Christian values of love, forgiveness, and reconciliation in its mission to create lasting harmony among diverse communities.

Healing the Nations In 2012 an informal organisation called Healing the Nations was established in the UK to specifically support and cover the expanding ministry of Dr Rhiannon Lloyd. Through Healing the Nations, the translation of the workshop has been commissioned into many other languages. Rhiannon has been supported to pioneer the use of the workshop in many non-African nations and help establish International Schools of Reconciliation where future leaders of reconciliation can be trained.

Resonate Global Mission is the mission agency of the Christian Reformed Church in North America. Based in Grand Rapids, Michigan, USA, Resonate Global Mission supports George and has released him to spend a large part of his time developing HHTN and using its material and approach. It has supported George in developing workshops and training courses in the US as well as Europe.

RESOURCES AND USEFUL INFORMATION

- **Fire Lilies**: Finding Hope in Unexpected Places. This is **Rhiannon's** story. It demonstrates that for God's children, nothing is wasted, and that He can skilfully craft all our experiences to eventually bring blessing in totally unexpected ways. Kindle and Audible audiobook available from Amazon. Paperback copy available through Healing the Nations web site.
- The HHTN workshop workbook is given away freely to those who would like to use it. It is downloadable from the websites of HHTN, Le Rucher and Healing the Nations.

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- www.reconciledworld.net
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