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Mahatma Gandhi's 150th Birth Anniversary – Creating a Culture of Peace

TUESDAY,
OCTOBER 2, 2018

ROOM II, UNESCO HEADQUARTERS,
PARIS, FRANCE



Culture of Peace –
A dialogue on
Peace,
Neuroplasticity &
Education





Sadhguru

Keynote

Ranked amongst the fifty most influential people in India by India Today, Sadhguru is a **yogi, mystic, visionary** and bestselling author. **Sadhguru** has been conferred the **Padma Vibhushan** by the Government of India in 2017, the highest civilian award of the year, accorded for exceptional and distinguished service. Probing and passionate, insightful, logical and unfailingly witty, Sadhguru's talks have earned him the reputation of a speaker and opinion-maker of renown. With his astute and incisive grasp of current issues and world affairs, as well as his unerringly scientific approach to the question of human well-being, he has been a primary speaker at the United Nations World Headquarters, a regular at the World Economic Forum, and a special invitee at the Hindustan Leadership Summit, Australian Leadership Retreat, Indian Economic Summit and TED. He has also been invited to speak at leading educational institutions, including Oxford, Stanford, Harvard, Yale, Wharton and MIT among others.



Gregoire Borst

Discussant

Gregoire is a full Professor of **Developmental Psychology and Cognitive Neuroscience of Education** at the University Paris Descartes. He is the Adjunct Director of the Laboratory for the study of Child Development and Education (CNRS), a junior member of the Institut Universitaire de France, the **President of the Association of Research on Neuroeducation** and a member of the group of experts on the protection of young audiences at the Conseil Supérieur de l'Audiovisuel (CSA). He obtained his PhD in Cognitive Science in 2005 at the University Paris-Sud. He was then a postdoctoral fellow and research associate at Harvard University from 2006 to 2010 before being hired as an Associate Professor in the University Paris Descartes in 2010.

DATE

October 2, 2018

TITLE OF THE LECTURE

Creating a Culture of Peace

AGENDA

5:30 pm – 6 pm: Registration and Seating

6 pm – 6:05 pm: Welcome Note by UNESCO representative

6:05 pm – 6:10 pm: Welcome Note by the Ambassador, Permanent Delegation of India to UNESCO

6:10 pm – 6:15 pm: Introduction by Dr. Anantha Duraiappah, Director, UNESCO MGIEP

6:15 pm – 7:00 pm: Dialogue between Sadhguru and Gregoire Borst on Creating a Culture of Peace

7 pm – 7:15 pm: Q&A Session

7:15 pm – 7:20 pm: Closing remarks, followed by High Tea

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