



Global mission to enact an
**International Treaty
to Ban the Political Use of religion**

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BPUR International is a global campaign to enact an 'International Treaty to Ban the Political Use of Religion', a crucial foundation to eliminate the root causes of religious conflicts and discrimination worldwide.

This mission is now formally on the international agenda with a **motion for a resolution** at the Council of Europe and advanced engagements with many governments, including highly anticipated state adoptions to table the proposed treaty at the United Nations General Assembly.

It is supported by thousands of lawmakers, officials, social and religious leaders in more than 80 countries, including the Middle East, Africa and Asia, where it is mostly needed, because of the unique respectful approach to end the cycle of religious conflicts and discrimination, especially against women and people of different beliefs.

This mission is not an attempt to separate religion and politics. On the contrary, it considers such a separation as irrelevant and could damage the stability of any country. The main objective is to affirm all existing international conventions with a highly focused and more effective new international treaty to combat specifically all forms of discrimination on religious bases.

The **initial proposed treaty**, drafted by leading officials, legislators and prominent UN experts, represents a new approach to introduce clear, simple and indisputable international rules to ban: all political uses of religion that undermine human equality; all religious discrimination in rights and duties; all religious exclusion; and all restrictions to freedom of religion or belief.

All supporters, including many religious leaders, believe these simple rules would be the ultimate tool to protect all victims of religious oppression and serve all international humanitarian objectives by eliminating the root causes of many intractable conflicts and a long list of abuses of human rights. Subsequently, it would create functioning societies, enhance stability and open the doors for sustainable development.