



## Facts about the 2019 G20 Interfaith Forum in Japan

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- The 2019 G20 Interfaith Forum will be held June 7–9 in Tokyo, in relation to the meeting of the international “Group of Twenty” (G20) Economic Summit in Osaka later in the month.
- The G20 Interfaith Forum will take place at Hotel New Otani Makuhari.
- The theme of the conference is “Peace, People, Planet: Pathways Forward.”
- The Forum will primarily address the topics of:
  - Refugees
  - Cross-cultural tensions
  - Health
  - Children
  - Aging societies
  - Care for the earth
- Notable speakers at this year’s forum include:
  - Lord Carey of Clifton, the 103rd Archbishop of Canterbury
  - Enda Kenny, 13th Taoiseach (Prime Minister) of Ireland
  - John Key, Former Prime Minister of New Zealand
  - Dr. Haruhisa Handa, Forum Patron, Chairman, Worldwide Support for Development

### Objectives of the G20 Interfaith Forum include

- Exploring through informed, scholarly discussion the links between economic development and religious freedom.
- Facilitating constructive dialogue between leaders of multiple sectors in society, including faith, government, business, media, education and other social institutions, on how faiths can help to enhance social, economic and cultural policies and programs for the well-being of all.
- Demystifying and fostering communication channels between the different faiths.
- Sharing ideas, experiences and “best practices” in building peace and harmony.
- Exploring and affirming common values, virtues and principles among diverse faith and philosophic traditions.