

**You are invited:**  
**“Nonviolence:  
a Style of Politics for Peace”**  
**Friday, 21 April 2017**



**14.00 – 16.00 hours. Reception will follow.**  
**Pax Christi International, Rue du Progrès 323, Brussels**  
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In his [message for the World Day of Peace](#) on 1 January 2017, Pope Francis called for a renewed culture of nonviolence to inform global politics today, saying military responses to conflicts only breed more violence.

How should the EU, along with its member states, focus their policies on the prevention and peaceful resolution of conflicts instead of shifting to defence? What nonviolent responses to conflict are effective in tackling the root causes of conflicts and reaching sustainable peace?

The panel of speakers includes:

- Ms. Marie Dennis, Co-President, Pax Christi International
- Sr. Teresia Wamuyu Wachira, lecturer in Peace and Conflict Studies at St. Paul's University, Nairobi, and board member of Pax Christi International
- Ms. Canan Gündüz, Mediation Advisor at the EU External Action Service (EEAS)
- Prof. Dr. Joachim Koops, Dean of Vesalius College, Free University of Brussels (VUB) and Director of the Global Governance Institute (GGI)

Moderator: Ms. Pat Gaffney, Coordinator of Pax Christi UK



This event is organised in support of Pax Christi International's advocacy priority, *Nonviolence, a style of politics for peace.*