

United Nations Day 2016 Announcement of the Creation of the Museum for the United Nations – UN Live.

Following an agreement with the UN, it is a pleasure to announce today, on UN Day 2016, the creation of the Museum for the United Nations – UN Live. This represents a significant milestone in the establishment of a new museum with global outreach via the internet and physical locations around the world, connecting people to the work, values and goals of the UN.

We express special gratitude to UN Secretary-General Mr. Ban-Ki Moon for his unwavering support, which has made today's announcement possible. The team also appreciates the invaluable support of the Government of Denmark and the many foundations and other organizations and individuals who have made it possible to develop the concept and plans for this new Museum.

The idea of a Museum for the UN originated in 2014 and a dedicated team has developed the concept with the help of many stakeholders in the UN, governments and civil society worldwide, including representatives from the spheres of culture and the arts.

The new Museum will engage people globally, with a special focus on youth, by means of multiple platforms: online communities, a distributed network of partner institutions and travelling exhibitions, and an intended headquarters and museum in Copenhagen, Denmark. The Museum will collaborate with the UN Secretariat, UN funds and programmes, as well as UN specialized agencies. It will also partner with UN Associations and educational and cultural institutions around the world.

Museum for the United Nations - UN Live will employ unique, interactive and experiential techniques to complement existing outreach efforts by UN agencies, thereby boosting the visibility of the UN's activities and priorities, such as the Sustainable Development Goals. The Museum's first public events are planned for 2017.

The Museum is operated by an independent, non-profit organization incorporated under the laws of Denmark, and with the agreement of this name granted by the UN Secretary-General. Additional information is available at www.museumfortheUN.org.

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