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In dialogue with the Dalai Lama

Peace lecture and inter-religious dialogue in Salzburg

May 21, 2012

Tibet Center – International Institute of Higher Tibetan Studies and the Center for Intercultural Theology and Study of Religions of the University of Salzburg are glad to announce a unique event with His Holiness the Dalai Lama in Salzburg on May 21, 2012.

In the morning of May 21 the Dalai Lama will give a speech at the Salzburgarena about „World peace and universal responsibility“ and then talk with Michael Kerbler (ORF, Austrian broadcasting corporation) and Dr. Alexandra Förderl-Schmid (Der Standard, daily newspaper) on how to make today's world a more peaceful place. This lecture is jointly organized with the initiative *Alpine Peace Crossing*. In the afternoon an inter-religious dialogue on „Harmony in diversity“ will take place. Among the lecturers are H.H. the Dalai Lama and the Archbishop of Salzburg Dr. Alois Kothgasser as well as other renowned Austrian representatives of religions, such as the Superintendent of the diocese Salzburg/Tyrol of the Protestant church, Mag. Luise Müller, Rabbi Mag. Schlomo Hofmeister of the Jewish Religious Community in Vienna and the president of the Islamic Religious Community, Dr. Fuat Sanac. Dr. Doris Appel, head of the department “religion” at ORF radio (Austrian broadcasting), will be the host of this event.

In the past the Dalai Lama has already participated at inter-religious dialogues in Austria. At the event on May 21 in Salzburg an in-depth discussion among the spiritual traditions is planned on how religious harmony can be developed and cultivated in an increasingly diverse and globalized culture. His Holiness' has always been committed to the appreciation of the richness and diversity of all religions and faiths and to find ways for harmonious and peaceful relations between the religions.

The upcoming visit will be one of the longest stays of H.H. the Dalai Lama in Austria. Beside the lecture and interreligious dialogue there will be more events in Klagenfurt (Buddhist teachings, May 18/19, a public talk on May, 20) and in Vienna (May 25 – public talk, May 26 – symposium on Buddhism and science). H.H. Dalai Lama is the patron and founder of Tibet Center, International Institute of Higher Tibetan Studies in Hüttenberg, Carinthia, an academic education institution for the dissemination of the Tibetan wisdom and cultural heritage in the Western world. In 2006 His Holiness has visited Hüttenberg in order to initiate this institute. After some years of successful activities Tibet Center can already look back at more than 100 events with over 3000 participants from 7 nations.

More information and tickets: <http://www.dalailama.at/1/program/salzburg/>