



Ethical Charter

Launched in 2018 to mark the commemoration of the end of the First World War, the Paris Peace Forum's (PPF) mission is to address global challenges such as climate change, poverty and inequality, security, and the rise of new technologies, by building new forms of collective action that complement the work of multilateral institutions and contribute to sustainable peace. To respond to the growing need for global governance in an increasingly conflict-ridden world, in the context of growing distrust towards existing institutions, the PPF carries out political work throughout the year with diverse stakeholders from both North and South - states and international organizations, civil society including NGOs, foundations, academics and the private sector in particular - and organizes an annual event in November.

In carrying out this mission, the PPF, a French association under the French Law of 1901, is committed to respecting a number of ethical principles in the day-to-day work of its secretariat, in its policy initiatives, during its annual event, and in its partnerships and funding. These principles include integrity and respect for internal and external norms and standards, transparency, inclusiveness, and dialogue.

The Ethical Charter below defines in greater detail the values and commitments to which the Paris Peace Forum adheres, as well as the principles governing the collection of funds required to implement its programs and run the association.

PPF values and commitments

- The PPF considers peace to be a global public good and is committed to work towards its construction in an inclusive manner, with actors and networks from national and international public institutions, first among them the United Nations, as well as private sector, and civil society stakeholders from all continents.
- The PPF is committed to promote, build trust in and make more effective international collective action; to support and promote the principles and values of multilateralism, including peace, solidarity, equality, justice, and respect for international law, as enshrined in the UN Charter; and to advance civil, political, economic, social, and cultural rights.
- The PPF is committed to work actively for better global governance, better protection of common goods and shared spaces and environments, through transparent dialogue, evidence-based expertise and continuous learning, innovative and concrete solutions, the creation of multi-stakeholder coalitions, and through open and fruitful dialogue between countries of the North and South, as well as East and West.
- The PPF is committed to promote an inclusive and diverse work culture, centered on human dignity, and to combat all discrimination whether based on gender, disability, family situation, sexual orientation, age, political and philosophical opinions, religious beliefs, trade union activity, and real or alleged social, cultural, national, or ethnic origins. The PPF takes all necessary measures to ensure that working conditions protect the health and well-being of employees.

Fundraising principles

- The material and financial resources obtained by the PPF to carry out its mission are used rigorously, efficiently and transparently. The PPF is committed to control its expenditure and optimize the use of the funds at its disposal. The PPF's financial accounts and use of resources are certified annually by a Statutory Auditor.
- The PPF publishes the complete list of funders in its Annual Report, which can be consulted on its website in French and English, presenting them by category: partners, grand partners, main partners, strategic partners.
- The PPF seeks partners who support its mission, principles, and values. It is committed to maintain the integrity of its assets.
- The PPF reserves the right to refuse any funding from an uncertain or suspect source, and to exclude from partnership entities meeting the following criteria:
 - Countries, companies, organizations, or individuals listed by the Council of the European Union or the United Nations Security Council as entities financing terrorism or seriously suspected of such activities.
 - Countries, companies, organizations, or individuals on a sanctions list published by the Council of the European Union or the United Nations Security Council.
 - Countries, companies, organizations, or individuals actively involved in or supporting mass violence, and promoting hatred, discrimination, and division.
 - Countries placed on the agenda of the United Nations Human Rights Council for serious human rights violations and companies, organizations or individuals strongly suspected of involvement in these violations on the basis of United Nations investigations.
 - Countries, companies, organizations, or individuals failing to comply with the sustainable growth objectives of the 2015 Paris Agreements, the UN's Sustainable Development Goals as well as any other internationally recognized agreement on environmental protection and biodiversity.
 - Companies or individuals who promote the continued exploitation of fossil fuels in a manner inconsistent with the objectives of the Paris Agreements.
 - Companies or individuals whose activities or revenues derive substantially from the sale or production of weapons equipment.
 - Countries, companies, organizations, or individuals engaged in activities related to tobacco production or consumption.
- The PPF is determined to maintain a diversity of funding sources, essential to guarantee its political and economic independence, and to remain a neutral global governance platform.

Role of the Ethics Committee set up by the Executive Committee

The PPF's Executive Committee authorizes the conclusion of partnership agreements. It has set up an Ethics Committee responsible for ensuring compliance with the present Charter, and in particular, according to the Rules of Procedure:

- advising on the approval of partnerships;
- define the anti-corruption rules to be applied to partnerships;
- prevent potential conflicts of interest;

- make proposals on the content of standard partnership agreements.

In addition to these specific missions, the Ethics Committee may be called upon by any member of the association to examine, impartially and objectively, any reports brought to its attention.