

## Rotary International – International Events

### International Convention

The annual Rotary convention is for everyone in the Rotary family! It is where you can experience Rotary's internationality in one location – and meet some of the most inspiring people in the world.

Rotary members from all over the world meet at the convention every year. This is a unique opportunity to connect with old friends, make new ones, and share stories about your club's current and future projects.

This is where the Rotary world comes together and where ideas, best practices, and project successes are proudly shared. Some of the things to do at Convention include:

- Browse booths showcasing Rotary projects, Rotary Fellowships, and Rotarian Action Groups
- Shop for Rotary-licensed merchandise, including pins, shirts, and banners
- Meet with staff in the Resource Centre about Rotary's programs and services
- Enjoy food and entertainment unique to the area
- Enjoy special tours and events offered by the Host Organization Committee

### Seoul 2016

Over 50, 000 Rotarians from 160 countries attended the 2016 Convention in Seoul

Speakers included:

- Ban Ki Moon the Secretary General of the United Nations
- Prime Ministers of both Korea and Sri Lanka
- Gary Knell, President and CEO, National Geographic Society

There were 110 Breakout sessions

### Future Conventions

#### 2017

Atlanta Georgia

10-14 June - celebrating Foundation's Centennial

#### 2018

Toronto, Ontario, Canada

24-27 June

#### 2019

Hamburg, Germany

1-5 June

**2020**

Honolulu, Hawaii, USA

7-10 June

## **International Assembly**

Rotary's annual training meeting gives incoming district governors the chance to share ideas for strengthening clubs and improving communities with Rotary leaders from around the world.

Keynote speakers and informative presentations inspire and prepare the future leaders to lead your district successfully. Idea exchanges, roundtable discussions, and workshops are used to introduce new ways of creating positive change in Rotary. IN addition there are dedicated workshops for the partners and social events, including International Nights and an opportunity to meet the incoming World President.

Held in January in San Diego, this training meeting prepares district governors-elect for their role as governor, introduces our organization's priorities for the coming year, and provides ample opportunities to network with fellow governors elect from 522 Districts around the world.

There is also an opportunity to be hosted by clubs prior to the Assembly and The host District also organises host events for immediately after the event.

## **Rotary Day at the United Nations**

United Nations Headquarters, New York City

Rotary Day at the United Nations is an annual event highlighting the critical humanitarian activities that Rotary and the UN lead around the world.

Organized by the Rotary representatives to the UN in New York and attended by more than 1,500 Rotarians, Rotary youth program participants, UN officials, representatives of humanitarian organizations, friends, and guests, this event showcases the many ways that clubs and districts can make a positive impact in their communities while addressing some of the most pressing international challenges.

## World Peace Conferences

Annual events focusing on one of Rotary's Key Areas – Peace and Conflict Resolution

### **Presidential Peace Conference, Georgia World Congress Centre      9-10 June 2017**

Peace is the topic of this special event. We'll celebrate our successes as we look back at our history of making peace a priority, through our Peace Centres and our work on the underlying causes of conflict: poverty, disease, and illiteracy. We'll also highlight the roles that Rotarians, Rotary program participants, and alumni have played in contributing to peace and international understanding. And we'll look ahead to what we might accomplish during the next 100 years.

### **World Peace Conference 2017 – Michigan**

The WORLD PEACE CONFERENCE 2017 will focus on how to prevent and mediate conflict. It is a unique opportunity to exchange ideas and solutions with professionals from government, business, healthcare, media, and faith-based organizations. Diverse perspectives will challenge our thinking.

## Other Events closer to Home

### **Zone Institute and Training**

Each year, past, present, and incoming district and senior leaders attend the Rotary Institutes to share information, build connections, and exchange ideas about Rotary International and The Rotary Foundation.

### **2017 – Darwin**

- Pre-Institute (Training)      29-31 August
- Institute 1-3 September
- Future Leaders Seminar is on the 31st of Aug 2017 and is open to all Rotarians
- They also hold the AGMs for all the Australian Rotary committees (ROMAC, RAWCS, ARH and RDU) in conjunction with Institute

### **2018 Hobart**