



PREVENTING GENOCIDE THROUGH THE EXAMPLE OF THE RIGHTEOUS

FIFTH INTERNATIONAL MEETING OF GARIWONETWORK

SUGGESTED FIGURES TO HONOUR: A LIST OF NAMES TO CHOOSE FROM
FOR THE DAY OF THE RIGHTEOUS 2022

THEME: RIGHTEOUS FOR THE PREVENTION OF GENOCIDES

Raphael Lemkin

Polish Jew, creator of the definition of genocide, he reminded the world that the prevention of such crimes is the responsibility of all humanity.

Jan Karski

Messenger of the Polish resistance, he informed the world of the Shoah and tried in vain to warn the Great Powers about the genocide against the Jews.

Armin Wegner

German writer, he denounced the Armenian genocide to the world and wrote in vain to Hitler in 1933 trying to stop the persecution of the Jews.

Henry Morgenthau

American ambassador to the Ottoman Empire, witness to the Armenian genocide, he raised funds for the surviving orphans and chose to denounce the tragedy of Metz Yeghern.

Dimitar Peshev

Vice president of the Parliament in Bulgaria, he rescued 48,000 Bulgarian Jews from deportation and the honour of his country.

Ilham Tohti

Uyghur teacher, sentenced to life imprisonment for denouncing discrimination against minorities in China, has always rejected violence and encouraged dialogue and respect.

Godeliève Mukasarasi

A survivor of the Rwandan genocide, despite the threats and killing of her family, she chose to testify in the Akayesu trial, contributing to the world's first conviction for genocide.

Gelal Bey

Turkish Ottoman mayor of Aleppo, he opposed the directives of his government that required the elimination of the Armenian people in the 1915 genocide.





Valerij Legasov

Russian chemist, he acted to save the population and Europe from the tragedy of Chernobyl and denounced the responsibilities of the Soviet government, then being reduced to silence.

Gareth Jones

Welsh journalist who was the first to denounce the Holodomor to the world, the genocide by starvation perpetrated by the Soviet regime against the Ukrainian population, despite the West refusing to listen.

Romeo Dallaire

Commander of the UN peacekeepers, he tried to warn the UN about the upcoming genocide in Rwanda, asking in vain for troops to stop the massacres.

Vian Dakhil

A Yazidi deputy against the Islamic State, she made a heartfelt appeal for the Yazidis trapped in the Sinjar Mountains, accusing ISIS of genocide against these people, and risked her life to defend Yazidi women from ISIS.

Aristides de Sousa Mendes

Portuguese consul in Bordeaux, he disobeyed the orders of his government and provided transit visas to persecuted Jews, thereby losing his job, livelihood and reputation in his country.

Evgenija Solomonovna Ginzburg

Witness of the Soviet labor camps and courageous opponent of the destructive logic of totalitarianism towards human dignity.

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