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**New York University La Pietra Policy Dialogues**

presents

**Promoting Cultures of Peace  
Locally and Globally**

Round Table and Poster Exhibition  
(translation available)

**February 4, 3:00-5:00 pm**

**Villa La Pietra, New York University Florence, Via Bolognese 120**

What is peace? And what important work is being done in Italy and worldwide to create initiatives and cultures promoting peace? This panel and exhibit provides an opportunity to highlight the important positive initiatives for peace today by examining three current projects working toward peace and reconciliation.

**New York University La Pietra Policy Dialogues' *Promoting Peace Locally and Globally*** conference, taking place next February 4<sup>th</sup> at Villa La Pietra, NYU Florence, will provide three different examples of current projects working toward peace and reconciliation. First, **Vittorio Pallotti** will discuss Italian non-violence, peace posters, and the establishment of Casa per la Pace and its work toward creating a community based center for peace in Casalecchio di Reno-Bologna. **Joyce Apsel** will discuss the peace museum movement that includes over 100 peace museums throughout the world and how from education to community action they work to promote peace and reconciliation. **Alberto L'Abate** will talk about his work as President of the Association of Social Promotion, the creation of a nonviolent peace corps and current initiatives such as those in Kosovo working to support war widows through a project called "taking your future in your hands." An exhibition featuring a selection of posters from peace and non-violence movements in Tuscany will be shown during the event.

The exhibition can be seen through February 25, 2011

For exhibition viewing information and times or to RSVP for the round table please write to  
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