

**PET(4) WPI 48**  
**Petitions Committee**

**Consultation on petition P-03-262 Wales Peace Institute**  
**Response from Brahma Kumaris World Spiritual University, UK**

Dear Ms Phillips

Proposal for a Peace Institute for Wales

We are very pleased to know that an independent research institute on peace matters is being considered for Wales. It would make a wonderful contribution to the life and work of Wales and of the wider world, much needed in these challenging times.

Therefore we wish to register our support for **Academi Heddwch Cymru - Wales Peace Institute**.

The directions we would like to see taken are those in the following outline proposals:

- Educational provision in respect to peace studies, conflict resolution through non-violence, awareness of human rights; building international relations through cultural contact, co-operative deals etc. Consultation status in respect to the national curriculum of Wales.
- Direct relationships with NGOs, UN Agencies, other Peace Institutes and networks with similar organisations that contribute to international knowledge of and activity for the promotion of peace.

These are areas where we could best offer expertise based on our many years of education to deepen the understanding and application of spiritual values in personal and community life.

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