

Dialogue rules at the Encounter on (Date)

1. I treated others with the same esteem that I expect them to show towards me. (*Golden Rule*)
2. I respect the conviction of my counterpart, even if it does not correspond to mine.
3. I am a witness to my faith or worldview, but I do not try to convince others.
4. I speak only in I-messages, i.e. I share my convictions as my personal ones.
5. I speak about another person's statement in such a way that he/she can find him/herself in it. (*If there is any ambiguity, I repeat my counterpart's statement in my own words and ask him or her for confirmation with the question: "Did I understand you correctly?"*)
6. I am prepared to self-critically reflect on my statements and my attitude, but I do not criticise others.
7. I make sure that everyone gets equal space (in terms of scope, time, etc.) in our discussions.
8. I listen attentively to the person speaking and try to understand.
9. I may express the wish that my conversation partner (more clearly) abides by the agreed rules of conversation.

Many thanks and many inspiring conversations from the preparation team!



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