




*“About the activities of N.Nazarbayev Center and the Congress of the Leaders of World and Traditional Religions: history of creation, mission, dynamics and prospects of development”*



## Activities of N. Nazarbayev Center

*The idea of establishing the N. Nazarbayev Center for Development of Interfaith and Inter-Civilization Dialogue was initiated by the participants of the VI Congress of the Leaders of World and Traditional Religions in October 2018.*

### *Aims and purposes of the Center*

-  • *assistance in establishing peace and harmony between all religions in an atmosphere of mutual respect;*
-  • *ensuring constant interaction with domestic and foreign religious associations and their spiritual leaders;*
-  • *interaction with international structures (organizations, centers, etc.), conclusion of memorandums of cooperation on issues of interreligious and intercultural dialogue;*
- *organization and holding of meetings of the Congress of leaders of world and traditional religions, the Secretariat of the Congress and the Working Group;*
- *analysis of the state and dynamic development of the religious situation in the world;*
- *monitoring of materials on religious topics in foreign and domestic mass media.*
- *promotion of Kazakh experience in interfaith dialogue at the international level.*

# Analytical and Research work of the Center

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In 2022, the Center conducted 2 sociological studies on topical issues in the field of religion:

1. "Discourse on hijab in Kazakhstan: main aspects and problem areas".
2. "Tengrianism in the Republic of Kazakhstan: current state, current problems and new challenges"

The center has prepared 8 methodological manuals/recommendations ("On separate issues of prevention of religious extremism and terrorism", "Secularism in Kazakhstan: a modern view", "Organization of theological and psychological rehabilitation of adherents of destructive religious currents", etc.) covering a wide range of topical issues in the field of religion.

A religious examination of 2207 objects was carried out, including 840 within the framework of the information system "Cybernadzor".



# Information and image work of the Center

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*Published - 2584 materials. Among them: in foreign media - 264, in domestic - 783, in social networks - 1537 materials ("Facebook" - 394, "Instagram" - 447, "Twitter" - 343, "Telegram" channel - 349).*



*The total number of subscribers is more than 14,000*

*(Facebook - 2100, "Instagram" - 12700, "Twitter" - 451, "Telegram" channel - 106).*

*189 digests were prepared and sent to the Committee of Religious Affairs of the Ministry of Information and Social Development of the Republic of Kazakhstan.*



*For 2022, 9 memorandums of cooperation were signed with international centers for interreligious dialogue, research centers, domestic universities and foreign partners.*



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*I Congress of the Leaders of World and Traditional Religions held on  
September 23-24, 2003 in Astana.*

*A total of 18 delegations of spiritual hierarchs (\*representatives of Islam,  
Christianity, Buddhism, Judaism, Hinduism, Taoism and Shintoism) and  
honored guests from 17 countries of Europe, Asia, Africa and America  
took part in the work.*



## *Key priorities of the Congress were identified as:*



- *affirmation of peace, harmony and tolerance as intangible principles of human existence;*
- *achievement of mutual respect and tolerance between religions, confessions, nations and ethnic groups;*
- *preventing the use of religious feelings of people for the escalation of conflicts and military actions.*



### *Goals of the Congress:*

- *search for universal landmarks in world and traditional forms of religion;*
- *functioning of the international interfaith institute for implementation.*

# *About the Congress of the Leaders of World and Traditional Religions*

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*On September 14-15, 2022, the VII Congress of the Leaders of World and Traditional Religions was held in Astana with the participation of 100 heads of delegations from 50 countries of the world.*

# *Participants of the VII Congress of the Leaders of World and Traditional Religions*

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# *Mass of Pope Francis*

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# *Prayer of Grand Imam of Al-Azhar Sheikh Ahmad al-Tayyeb*

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*On completion of the Work of the Congress the final document was adopted – the DECLARATION of the VII Congress of the Leaders of World and traditional Religions*





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