

## Invitation to a Celebration of the Life and Work of Dr. Robert J. Muscat

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Greetings:

As many of you may have already learned, Dr. Robert J. Muscat -- Bob--passed away in Virginia on January 10th, 2024 at age 92. Bob had been in poor physical health for the past several years, but his intellectual abilities were second to none and up to the last days of his life, he was busily focused on peacebuilding and conflict resolution issues, composing opinion pieces for newspaper submission and working on the text of a book-in-progress.

Bob, with enormous gusto and energy, sought to carve out nonviolent ways of addressing conflicts, in the US and internationally. He was a valued member of Global Peace Services USA and the GPS Board.

We would like to celebrate Bob's life and work that were expressed in many ways, as a colleague and friend, in serving with the US Agency for International Development and the UN Development Program, as a consultant to governments, scholar and academic researcher -- not to forget gifted classical pianist.

Please join us on Saturday, March 23rd from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm for a celebration of Bob's rich, varied and inspiring life as we share our memories and reflections. We'll meet in the main hall of the Takoma Village Cohousing complex (TVC) at 6827 Fourth St. NW in Washington, DC 20012 (see travel directions below). Light refreshments will be available.

Please respond to John Eriksson, a close friend of Bob's for many years, a USAID colleague and president of Global Peace Services USA, to let us know if you will be able to join us on March 23rd. Please also share this message with a colleague or friend whom you think would be interested.

Participation will be hybrid – to help us plan for physical arrangements, please indicate whether you plan to participate in-person at the TVC or virtually via Zoom. For virtual participation, please access the link below (and additional information, as needed).

With thoughts of Bob still vivid,

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[Link to access zoom connection for virtual participation.](#)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82572235816?pwd=RXJObElxemZzeDRqbXZqOWpCRFdJdz09>

(If needed - Zoom Meeting ID: 825 7223 5816; Passcode: 854823; Dial by your location: +1 301 715 8592 US (Washington DC); +1 929 436 2866 US (New York); Find your local number via: <https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kAcuY4pxM>)

[Travel directions to Takoma Village Cohousing in Washington, DC NW.](#)

For driving from the south and west, we suggest north on 13th – to Piney Branch Rd. NW to turn right on Butternut Ave NW to a left on Fourth NW and park at or near Takoma Village Cohousing at 6827 Fourth St. NW in Washington, DC 20012.

The Metro Redline stop at Takoma MD is within a few relatively short blocks from the TVC in DC. From the Metro Station walk west on Carroll Ave. under the rail tracks to the intersection in DC with Blair Rd. NW and Fourth St. NW and turn left and walk on Fourth St. a bit more than two blocks to TVC on the left at 6827 Fourth St. NW.

On entering the TVC, walk to the end of the outside patio to enter the main hall.