

"The first thing that we have to work on, all together, is the aim of peace, but through justice and the respect of the laws."

Mehdi Jomaa

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How do Current Shifts in Power Affect Multilateral Cooperation

Restoring trust among nations

Dalia Grybauskaitė, Mehdi Jomaa, and Elbegdorj Tsakhia bring unparalleled global leadership experience to the table, engaging in a rich dialogue on international cooperation and diplomacy to address today's complex global challenges. Former President Dalia Grybauskaitė, Lithuania's first woman president and the only leader in its post-Soviet history to serve two consecutive terms, Mr. Mehdi Jomaa, former Prime Minister of Tunisia, and former President Elbegdorj Tsakhia, a key leader in the Mongolian Democratic Revolution that ended seven decades of one-party rule, collectively represent three continents and decades of impactful governance. In a conversation moderated by Rebecca Abecassis, an expert in European news, they examine the state of global affairs, sharing insightful perspectives and actionable strategies for building a more peaceful future.

Messages to the younger generations

"Never be afraid of any difficulty in the world, because everything depends on all of us."

Dalia Grybauskaitė

"We have a crowded meeting room with young people paying attention. That's the real hope. You gave me hope today."

Mehdi Jomaa

"Never old to learn. Never young to lead. Lead it. That's your time."

Elbegdorj Tsakhia



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What can we learn from President Dalia, Mr. Mehdi, and President Elbegdorj?

The fragile state of peace

Global peace is under threat from authoritarian aggression and expansionism, exemplified by Russia's strategy of subjugation, and from injustices like those in Gaza, calling for strong leadership, adherence to international law, and a unified defense of democracy and human dignity. It requires collective action, beginning at a personal level.

"It's an invitation to show that we are not weak. To fight for ourselves, for peace, for democracy, for human rights, everywhere in the world. It's an invitation not to give in."

Dalia Grybauskaitė

The new global south

The emergence of the Global South, led by alliances like BRICS, signifies a shift toward a new global order that aims to reflect current geopolitical realities, challenging outdated governance structures.

"We have to negotiate around the table and not with weapons."

"I don't believe that killing leaders will kill the causes."

Mehdi Jomaa

China & USA impact on global leadership

China's economic strength and strategic positioning give it the potential to act as a balancing power, yet actions like military exercises with Russia signal competitive ambitions, while shifts in US leadership, depending on the election outcome, could further shape global stability and alliances. A Trump victory is likely to accelerate unpredictability and isolationism.

"Dialogue is the biggest power humans possess."

Elbegdorj Tsakhia