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## **The Peace Engineering Summer Institute Launches Global Society of Peace Engineers**

[The Hague, South Holland]: On Friday the 23rd of August, the Peace Innovation Institute and members of the Peace Engineering Consortium launched the Global Society for Peace Engineers (GSPE) to entrepreneurs, government officials, investors, NGOs, students and members of the academic community.

The launch grew out of the first Peace Engineering Summer Institute (PESI), a week long convention of the Peace Engineering Consortium and a select group of top engineering, finance, and peacebuilding practitioners and researchers from around the world. Hosted at TU Delft and The Hague Humanity Hub, the discussions at PESI laid the foundations for a Peace Engineering degree program that universities will eventually be able to offer to their students.

The Global Society for Peace Engineers is the first professional society for those interested or currently involved in the field of peace engineering. The GSPE will make it possible for traditional engineers to pair a formal accreditation with their current engineering certifications (such as P.E. in the USA or C.E. in the Commonwealth). GSPE has set the goal of achieving 10,000+ fully certified peace engineers in the workforce in the next decade.

Peace Engineering applies science and engineering principles to directly target some of the core issues humanity faces, like group polarisation, cyber warfare, climate change, poverty, and other conditions that come in the way of long term stability and peace by applying principles of science, engineering and ethical design.

“Initiatives like the Global Society for Peace Engineers creates the means for practicing engineers to extend their professional development and receive formal accreditation in the emerging field of peace engineering, said Ramiro Jordan, Associate Dean of Engineering, International Programs, University of New Mexico and founding member of the Peace Engineering Consortium.

According to Margarita Quihuis, Co-Director of the Peace Innovation Institute (PII), GSPE will be incubated under PII and launched into its own independent organization in the coming year.



**To learn more about the Global Society of Peace Engineers visit:**

<https://www.peaceinnovation.com/gspe>

**About Peace Engineering Summer Institute (PESI):** PESI is an annual gathering of members of the Peace Engineering Consortium organized by the Peace Innovation Institute. Started in 2019, PESI is committed to creating a framework for the future of peace engineering, education and research.

**About Peace Innovation Institute The Hague (PII):** Launched in 2018 through a collaboration between the Peace Innovation Lab at Stanford University and the City of The Hague, PII sits at the intersection of behavior design, technology, innovation and business. PII aims to catalyze a thriving peace technology industry by making peace profitable.

**About Peace Engineering Consortium (PEC):** The Peace Engineering Consortium, founded by CU-Boulder, Drexel University, Peace Innovation Lab at Stanford, Sensorcomm Technologies and University of New Mexico, fosters research, curriculum development, and the commercialization of peace technologies.

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