

## Churches and religious communities in Croatia

- important factor of civil society
- important role in developing democratic principles and building permanent peace after war



## Faith as a source for reconciliation

churches on conflict resolution trainings  
in most war affected area of Croatia

(East and West Slavonia – 1997 and 1998)



Public rostrum  
***Dialogue among churches in peace service***

Vukovar 1998



- Fra Bože Vuleta  
 (Franciscan institute for  
 the culture of peace, Split)
- Dr. Branko Lovrec  
 (president of the Baptist  
 churches of Croatia)
- Dr. Jure Zečević  
 (Croatian Bishop's  
 Conference, Zagreb)
- Protojerej Jovan Nikolić  
 (Serbian Orthodox  
 Church, Zagreb)

**Churches together for the common good**  
 round table *Family violence,*  
 public rostrum *Education for religious tolerance,* Osijek 1999



## Christian ethics and principles

shown through giving support to different ones  
in the most difficult moment



### Christians and Muslims calling for peace

Islamic community in Osijek  
October 2001

(Response to violence  
after September 11th )

## Christian responsibility for peace engagement

creating alternatives to violence and  
finding out creative responses to conflicts

### Education for peace

Women of faith

Berak, Dalj, Tenja, Mikluševci and Vukovar,  
2000



### Interreligious choir from Sarajevo

Osijek 2001/2002

## Christian responsibility for peace engagement in a global social context as well

Book promotion  
*Responsibility for the creation*  
2001



World Day of Prayer for  
Children at Risk  
5th June 2001



## Support and exchange

- Towae-Stiftung, Heidelberg, Germany
- Ecumenical Women Solidarity Fund, Omiš, Croatia
- The Foundation Balkan Peace Project Haarlem in cooperation with Congregation of Providence, The Netherlands
- Pax Christi International, Belgium
- Church & Peace, Germany
- Franciscan Institute for the culture of peace, Split, Croatia