



Commemoration of the International Day of Vesak 2024
Monday, 14 May 2025 at 15.30 – 17.00 hrs.
ECOSOC Chamber, United Nations Headquarters, New York

Draft Programme

- 15.30 hrs.** Welcome Remarks by H.E. Mr. Cherdchai Chaivaivid,
Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Thailand
to the United Nations
- 15.35 hrs.** High-level segment
- Remarks by H.E. Mr. Philemon Yang, President of the General Assembly
 - Remarks by H.E. Mr. Vijitha Herath, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the
Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka (by video message)
 - Remarks by H.E. Mr. Maris Sangiampongsa,
Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of Thailand
(by video message)
 - Remarks by H.E. Mr. António Guterres, Secretary-General
of the United Nations
- 15.55 hrs.** Religious blessings
- 16.00 hrs.** Brief sermons
- 16.15 hrs.** Interventions by participating Member States
(suggested duration 3 minutes)
- 16.55 hrs.** Closing Remarks by Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Sri Lanka
to the United Nations