

FBK joins the International Partnership on Religion and Sustainable Development

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Trento-based Fondazione Bruno Kessler has become a member of the [International Partnership on Religion and Sustainable Development \(PaRD\)](#).

Funded by the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) and the United States Agency for International Development (USAID), PaRD is a network that currently includes 124 governmental and intergovernmental, civil society, religious and institutional research organizations. In keeping with its mission to promote the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, PaRD aims to foster international collaboration on projects that contribute to the achievement of the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) set forth by the United Nations.



On September 3 and 4, FBK-ISR researcher Boris

Rähme participated in the network's Virtual Annual Forum 2020. During this year's Forum the 2019/2020 results of the four PaRD workstreams were presented (Health/SDG3, Gender Equality and Empowerment/SDG5, Environment, Water and Climate Action/SDG6,13,14,15, Sustaining Peace/SDG16). Main objective: to facilitate discussion between government bodies, multilateral agencies and faith-based organizations (FBOs) on the needs of the most disadvantaged and vulnerable groups during the COVID-19 pandemic.

“Joining the International Partnership on Religion and Sustainable Development (PaRD)”, Rähme said,” is in line with the FBK-ISR mission, as detailed in the 2019-2021 Strategic Plan, and with Fondazione Bruno Kessler’s commitment to promoting sustainable and human-centered technologies. The next steps will include increasingly merging into the workflow of the Partnership to develop new international collaborations and joint innovation and research projects”.

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