

## Media Advisory: The Elders to visit Ethiopia from 19-22 May

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The Elders will visit Ethiopia from 19-22 May for a series of meetings with senior political leaders and representatives of the African Union to discuss regional political developments and security issues.

The Elders are holding their biannual board meeting in Addis Ababa. They will also visit refugee communities and health workers in Ethiopia, as part of their support for global efforts to tackle forced displacement and achieve the Sustainable Development Goals.

The Elders' delegation will be led by Mary Robinson, former President of Ireland and UN High Commissioner for Human Rights.

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The Elders are independent leaders using their collective experience and influence for peace, justice and human rights worldwide. The group was founded by Nelson Mandela in 2007.

The Elders are [Ban Ki-moon](#) (Deputy Chair), [Lakhdar Brahimi](#), [Gro Harlem Brundtland](#), [Zeid Raad Al Hussein](#), [Hina Jilani](#), [Ellen Johnson Sirleaf](#), [Ricardo Lagos](#), [Graça Machel](#) (Deputy Chair), [Juan Manuel Santos](#), [Mary Robinson](#) (Chair) and [Ernesto Zedillo](#).

[Martti Ahtisaari](#), [Ela Bhatt](#), [Fernando Henrique Cardoso](#), [Jimmy Carter](#) and [Desmond Tutu](#) are Elders Emeritus.

[Kofi Annan](#) (1938-2018) was a founding member of The Elders and served as Chair from 2013 to 2018.

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