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**HE Excellency José Ramos-Horta**

Nobel Peace Prize Laureate (1996)

President of East Timor (2007 – 2012)

**HE Excellency José Ramos-Horta** is a Nobel Peace Prize Laureate in 1996. He's currently a member of High Level Board on Mediation (established by the UN Secretary General in 2017-19), External Advisor to the President of the UN General Assembly (2017-18) and Commissioner of Global Commission on Drug Policy, Geneva (2017-current). In 2014-15, at the request of the UN Secretary General he was the Chair of High Level Panel on UN Peace Operations New York, a worldwide review of the UN Peacemaking and Mediation efforts with the goal of making the UN “peace and security architecture” more efficient in preventing and revolving conflicts. In 2014-16, he was Co-chair of the Independent Commission on Multilateralism of International Peace Institute, New York. From Jan 2013 to June 2014, he was Under-Secretary-General of Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General and Head of the UN Integrated Peace Building Mission in Guinea-Bissau (West Africa). He was the President of the East Timor from May 2007 to May 2012. Previously, he was Prime Minister of Minister of Defence (2006-7) and Senior Minister of Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation (2002-06).