



*C. Holland Taylor with former Indonesian President and Nahdlatul Ulama Chairman Abdurrahman Wahid in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. President Wahid wrote that “The Battle of Gettysburg teaches us how the decisive actions of a few brave men can change the future of humanity.”*

## C. Holland Taylor

C. Holland Taylor serves as Special Advisor for International Affairs to the Chairman of Nahdlatul Ulama — the world’s largest Muslim organization, with over 90 million followers. He is also co-founder, Chairman and CEO of [LibForAll Foundation](#) (est. 2003); co-founder, Deputy Chairman and COO of its sister organization, [Bayt ar-Rahmah li ad-Da‘wa al-Islamiyah Rahmatan li al-‘Alamin](#) (2014); co-founder of the Humanitarian Islam movement (2017); and co-founder, Deputy Chairman and CEO of the [Center for Shared Civilizational Values](#) (CSCV, 2021). In 2022, Nahdlatul Ulama’s Central Board [formally appointed](#) CSCV as a primary vehicle for its international engagement, and as Permanent Secretariat to the [G20 Religion Forum \(R20\)](#).

Mr. Taylor’s friendship with senior NU leaders emerged from in-depth study of the Islamization of Java in the 15th and 16th centuries. He co-authored the book *Ilusi Negara Islam (The Illusion of an Islamic State)* with former Indonesian president KH. Abdurrahman Wahid, and is the author of numerous articles about Indonesian Islam and countering Islamist extremism. Mr. Taylor has also produced and directed multiple films, including *Lautan Wahyu (Ocean of Revelations)* and *Rahmat Islam Nusantara (The Divine Grace of East Indies Islam)*.