WORLD PEACE CONGRESS

BARCELONA
October 15-17 2021

PROGRAMME
Five years after our 2016 Berlin Congress, “Disarm! For a Climate of Peace”, the International Peace Bureau is proud to host the Second IPB World Peace Congress, “(Re) Imagine our World: Action for Peace and Justice” in the Mediterranean city of Barcelona. Our goal is to bring together vast swaths of civil society – from peace and disarmament advocates to feminist and LGBTQIA+ campaigners, ecologists and climate activists, antiracists and indigenous peoples, human rights defenders and trade unionists – to generate a unified response to the anxiety of our times.

We have a planetary crisis: a world in which confrontational policies have replaced international cooperation on issues ranging from arms control and common security to the climate emergency, threats to democratic institutions, and health crises – most notably the Covid-19 pandemic. Only by coming together can we address these interlinked and overlapping problems that threaten us all and (re) imagine a world in which peace is prioritized over war and intersectional strategies and policy solutions drive our actions for a better future.

At the center of these policy proposals comes the idea of a just recovery. The Covid-19 crisis has made clearer than ever the costs of returning to the status quo and the necessity to create a better system – one that promotes equality, addresses the existential threat of climate change, and understands the need for true security, not the faux security of yearly increases in military spending at the cost of social services. We firmly believe that the only way to truly do so is to put peace at the center of the ‘new normal’.

Climate change, growing inequality, the decline of democracy, and health crises all pose the threat of increasing global tensions and creating a more violent world. Nuclear weapons and great power conflicts risk the complete destruction of our planet. The Coronavirus pandemic poses another problem to peace: lockdowns and restrictions deprive activists of the resources and public platforms to conduct our activities and events for peace.

We are at a pivotal moment in history. We can remain on our current path of greater confrontation, nationalism, environmental degradation, and ruin – or we can together imagine a better and more just future. We are calling for the alternative to confrontation, for a politics of common security.

The Second IPB World Peace Congress is our call to action to decision-makers and activists at the global, regional, national, and local levels: we can continue on the current track, and endanger all life on Earth, or we can take unified action for peace and justice. Thus, we gather, listening to civil society and grassroots organizations and developing a united plan of action. We invite you to join us in the creation of this vision and to work together for its implementation.
Friday 15.10.2021

11:00-16:00  
Venue: Espai Jove La Fontana · Carrer Gran de Gràcia, 190 · 08012 Barcelona · Spain  
IPB Youth Network (IPBYN) & Local Youth Gathering  
11:00-13:00: IPB Youth Opening Event  
13:00-13.45: Lunch Break  
14:00-16:00: Storytelling Workshop Session  
14:30-16:30 (Departure from opening event venue at 1.45pm CEST): Barcelona Walking Tour

17:00-18:00  
Venue: CCCB (Hall + Pati de les Dones)  
Check-In

17:30  
Venue: Carrer Valldonzella 21  
ICIP and Ruido Photo exhibition: “Facing violence: stories of resilience in Central America”  
Guided tour with the authors (in Spanish)

18:00-18:30  
Venue: CCCB (Hall + Pati de les Dones)  
Reception of guests: music and video presentations

- Video greetings  
  Duarte Pacheco, President of the Inter-Parliamentary Union  
  Ernst Ulrich von Weizsäcker, former member of the German Bundestag and former co-president of the Club of Rome  
  Guy Ryder, Director-General of the International Labour Organization  
  Jayathma Wickramanayake, UN Youth Envoy  
  Kazumi Matsui & Tomihisa Taue, Mayors of Hiroshima & Nagasaki  
  Randi Weingarten, President of the American Federation of Teachers, AFL-CIO

- Musical performances  
  Imagine, originally by John Lennon; Soy Pan, Soy Paz, Soy Más, originally by Mercedes Sosa  
  By Marina Sala Saez & Dario Barroso, singer and guitarist  
  Song for Peace · World Youth Peace Organization (WYPO), Nigeria

18:30  
OPENING PLENARY: THREATS TO PEACE AND SECURITY  
Chaired by Chloé Meulewaeter [Belgium] IPB Council; & Reiner Braun [Germany], IPB Executive Director

- Welcome  
  Jordi Calvo [Barcelona], IPB  
  Lisa Clark [Italy], IPB Co-President  
  Kristian Herbolzheimer [Barcelona], ICIP  
  Ada Colau, Mayor of Barcelona  
  Pere Aragonès, President of Catalonia

- Video Greetings  
  António Guterres, UN General Secretary (to be confirmed)

- Threats of Nuclear Weapons: Reflecting and Looking Forward [by video]  
  Wada Masako [Japan], Nihon Hidankyo (Japan Confederation of A- and H- Bomb Sufferers Organizations)

- The Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons and the Future  
  Beatrice Fihn [Sweden], Executive Director of the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN)
Great Power Conflicts and the (New) Cold War [by video]
Jody Williams [USA], political activist and Nobel Peace Laureate

Transforming the Economy for Peace and Justice
Sharan Burrow [Australia], General Secretary of the International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC)

Environmental and Climate Protection and Disarmament [by video]
Vandana Shiva [India], environmental and social activist

Global Justice and Peace [by video]
Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva [Brazil], Former President of Brazil

Threats to the Future of Humankind
Jeremy Corbyn [UK], Member of Parliament of the United Kingdom

Closing song
By Mikis Theodorakes, recording

20:30-22:00
Public event and peace vigil "Lights for Peace" with music, all Congress attendees are invited to join
Venue: Plaça de Joan Coromines

Saturday 16.10.2021
LESSONS FROM THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC AND SOLUTIONS TO THE PROBLEMS

9:00-11:30
SATURDAY PLENARY: INTERSECTIONAL SOCIAL TRANSFORMATION
Venue: CCCB (Hall + Pati de les Dones)
Chaired by Enkhsaikhan Jargalsaikhan [Mongolia], Chair of Blue Banner and former Mongolian diplomat; & Emily Rubino [USA], Executive Director of Peace Action New York State

Nonviolent Future: Changing the Agenda
Amani Aruri, [Palestine], Generating Equality Global Youth Task Force

Common Security for a New World Order
Aleksey Gromyko [Russia], Director of the Institute of Europe of the Russian Academy of Sciences

Regional Peace and Security [by video]
Zhao Tong [China], senior fellow, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace

Disarmament for Development
Vanda Proskova [Czechia], Co-Convener of Youth Fusion – Abolition 2000 Youth Network

The Global South, Inequality, Human Rights, and Violence
Cyrille Roland Bechon [Cameroon], Nouveaux Droits de l’Homme Cameroun (New Human Rights Cameroon)

Racism, Migration, and Peace
Helena Maleno [Spain], Caminando Fronteras

Militarism and Colonialism [by video]
Lisa Linda Natividad [Guahan/Guam], Guahan Coalition for Peace and Justice

Peace Education
A-Young Moon [South Korea], Peace MOMO
Regional Peace: Peacebuilding in the Mediterranean
Blanca Garcés [Barcelona], CIDOB

11:30-12:00
Coffee break and networking

12:00-13:30
FIRST WORKSHOP SESSION
Venue: Blanquerna - Universitat Ramon Llull

• Common Security: A Blueprint for Global and Regional Relations [Hybrid]
  Coordinated by Eskil Grav [Norway], IPB Council Member
  Room 201

• Creating a Peace Economy Guidelines for a Just Conversion [Online only]
  Coordinated by Jeroen Beirnaert [Belgium], ITUC

• The Digitization of Warfare [Online only]
  Coordinated by Dave Webb [UK], CND

• The Foundations of Peace: Nuclear Abolition and the Law (including TPNW) [Hybrid]
  Coordinated by Lucas Wirl [Germany], IALANA
  Room INFO2

• The Impact of Nuclear Testing and Climate Change on Frontline Communities [Hybrid]
  Coordinated by Marshallese Educational Initiative, Reverse the Trend, Nuclear Age Peace Foundation, & IPPNW
  Room 106

• Increasing Militarization of Australia and the Asia-Pacific [Online with in-person participation possible]
  Coordinated by Independent and Peaceful Australia Network (IPAN) [Australia]
  Room 415

• The Intersections of Peace and Gender [Hybrid]
  Coordinated by Escola de Cultura de Pau & Women's International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF)
  Room 303

• The Marine Arctic Peace Sanctuary: A Call for Our Collective Survival with the Largest Marine Protected Area in History [Online only]
  Coordinated by the Parvati Foundation

• Nonviolent Journalism [Hybrid]
  Coordinated by Tony Robinson [UK], Pressenza
  Room 304

• Peace Education [Hybrid]
  Coordinated by Alain Rouy [France], Mouvement de la Paix
  Room 301

• Racism and War: Breaking the Cycles of Violence [Hybrid]
  Coordinated by Katerina Anastasiou [Greece], Transform! Europe
  Room 202
Tracking Corruption in the Arms Trade *[In-person only]*
Coordinated by Julia Auf dem Brinke & Ruth Rohde, Corruption Tracker
Room 104

Women in Diaspora Building Peace *[Hybrid]*
Coordinated by ICIP
Room 103

**12:00-14:00**
FILM SCREENING
*Venue: CCCB Hall*

*The Return: Life After ISIS*
Organised by Catalunya Film Festivals, Acció Cinema and Generalitat de Catalunya.
Language: English and Arabic, with Catalan Subtitles
Q&A with the director, Alba Sotorra
Moderated by Carme Gual (ACCD director)

**13:30-15:00**
Lunch break and networking

**15:00-17:15**
SECOND WORKSHOP SESSION
*Venue: Blanquerna - Universitat Ramon Llull*

Note: For online workshops, rooms will be open for in-person attendants who would like to participate by computer/phone.

Advancing towards a Middle East Free of Weapons of Mass Destruction *[Hybrid]*
Coordinated by the Middle East Treaty Organization (METO)
Room 303

Archives as a Tool to Promote Truth, Memory, and Justice *[Online only]*
Coordinated by Generalitat de Catalunya and Swisspeace

Black Lives Matter: Global Reparations and Making A Just and Sustainable Peace *[Hybrid]*
Coordinated by Black Lives Matter
Room 202

Climate Change, the Environment, and Peace *[Hybrid]*
Coordinated by Emma Pritchard [UK], peace activist and IPB Youth Network Coordinator
Room 101

Common Security Approaches to 21st Century Conflicts, Peace, Justice & Security *[Hybrid]*
Coordinated by Joseph Gerson [USA], CPDCS
Room 201

Defund the Military · Defend People and the Planet *[Hybrid]*
Coordinated by Jordi Calvo Rufanges & Quique Sánchez [Barcelona], GCOMS
Room 304

Indigenous Peoples Movement for Peace & Disarmament: Strengthening Alliances and Daring to Imagine An Alternate World *[Hybrid]*
Coordinated by Binalakshmi Nepram [India], Manipur Women Gun Survivors Network
- **Measuring Peace, Measuring Conflict - Introducing and Applying the Heidelberg Approach [Hybrid]**
  Coordinated by Heidelberg Institute for International Conflict Research (HIIK)
  Room 105

- **Nuclear Weapons Free Zones (NWFZs): Strengths and Gaps [Hybrid]**
  Coordinated by Enkhsaikhan Jargalsaikhan [Mongolia], Blue Banner Mongolia
  Room 104

- **Peace and Human Rights Violation in Afghanistan [Online only]**
  Coordinated by Mohammed Shoaib Ahmadzai [Afghanistan], Community Development, Rehabilitation and Educational Organization (CDREO)

- **Peace Policy in the Face of New Geopolitical Challenges [In-person only]**
  Coordinated by Heinz Bierbaum [Germany], European Left
  Room 102

- **Promoting People’s Participation for a World of Peace and Democracy [Online only]**
  Coordinated by Corazon Fabros [Philippines], Stop the War Coalition Philippines

- **Religion, Peace, and Sanctuary [Hybrid]**
  Coordinated by Susan Smith [USA], Fellowship of Reconciliation - USA
  Room 103

- **The Role of Peace Economics and Peace Science in the Peace Movement [Online only]**
  Coordinated by Manas Chatterji [India/USA], Binghamton University

- **Small Is Not Always Beautiful: Migration, Small Arms Trafficking and Grassroots Violence Under the Auspices of Big Power Politics [Hybrid]**
  Coordinated by Leo Gabriel [Austria], Prague Spring 2 Network
  Room 302

- **Stronger Together for Peace: Building Campaigns and Alliances [Hybrid]**
  Coordinated by Steven Staples [Canada], PeaceQuest Leadership and Education Initiative
  Room INFO2

- **Victim Assistance and Environmental Remediation: The Cases of Nuclear and of Uranium Weapons [Hybrid]**
  Coordinated by Manfred Mohr [Germany], ICBUW
  Room 301

17:30
Peace Party, cultural and mobilizing activities
*Venue: Pati de les dones CCCB*

Tribute to Arcadi Oliveres, Catalan peace activist
Peace Music Session with Bigwé and Memi Sillah.
19:30
Seán MacBride Prize Ceremony for Black Lives Matter;
Venue: Blanquerna - Universitat Ramon Llull, room 103

Exhibitions, Presentations and Other Events
Venue: Blanquerna - Universitat Ramon Llull

Why achieving Inner Peace is a must to achieve World Peace?
Brahma Kumari World Spiritual University
Location: Blanquerna University Room: INFO2

Activity: The Peace Flag
Runa Ray
Room: N/A (open activity throughout the Congress)

Exhibition: Facing violence. Stories of resilience in Central America
A Ruido Photo Project Produced by ICIP
Location: Carrer Valldonzella 21

Exhibition: “3D Nuke Missile” art installation
Youth Fusion
Location: Outside Blanquerna University

Exhibition: “Nuke Free Europe”
Nuke Free Europe Campaign
Location: Blanquerna University hallway

Exhibition: Peace Kimono
Runa Ray
Location: Blanquerna University hallway

Exhibition: “Colours of a Journey”
Katerina Anastasiou, Transform Europe
Location: Blanquerna University, Room: 101

Exhibition: Young Artists Exhibit: Art is Mightier than the Nuke
Pax Christi
Location: Blanquerna University, Room: 201

Film Screening: The Beginning of the End of Nuclear Weapons (EN, ES, CAT)
Pressenza
Location: Blanquerna University, Room: 106

Film Screening: NATO bombing Yugoslavia with DU and testing on Sardinia with severe damage to the environment
ICBUW in cooperation with the International Uranium Film Festival (IUFF)
Location: Blanquerna University, Room: 105

Film Teaser: 1.5 Degrees of Peace
Kasha Slavner, Global Sunrise Project
Location: Online only

Film Teaser & Discussion: 7 Myths that Sustain the Global Arms Trade
dE_D_UCATION
Location: Blanquerna University, Room: 301
Panel: The challenges of the construction of peace in Iberoamerica  
Alianza Iberoamericana por la Paz (AIPP)  
Location: Blanquerna University, Room 304

Panel: The Nonviolent Resistance of Sahrawi People: The Gdeim Izik Case  
Sahara Dempeus  
Location: Blanquerna University, Room 302

Panel: “Protest and Survive”: Youth, Peace and Enduring Time  
Youth and Student CND  
Location: Blanquerna University, Room 303

Publication Presentation: Release of the INES/Abolition2000 report on missile defense and space weaponization  
Lucas Wirl, INES  
Location: Blanquerna University Room 415

Publication Presentation: The Earth Constitution Solution: Design for a Living Planet  
Presented by the Author, Dr. Glen Martin/ Earth Constitution  
Location: Blanquerna University Room 104

Publication Presentation: Book Launch. Insurrectionary Uprisings: A Reader in Revolutionary Nonviolence and Decolonization (2021, Daraja Press)  
Matt Meyer, IPRA  
Location: Blanquerna University Room 102

Publication Presentation: A militarised Union. Understanding and confronting the militarisation of the European Union  
Rosa-Luxemburg-Stiftung Brussels Office, European Network Against Arms Trade (ENAAT), Centre Delàs  
Location: Blanquerna University Room 202 (combined with “Towards a new Left concept of security”)

Workshop: Towards a new Left concept of security  
In cooperation with the Rosa Luxemburg Stiftung Brussels office  
Axel Ruppert, Katerina Anastasiou (RLS Brussels, Transform Europe)  
Location: Blanquerna University Room 202 (combined with “A militarized Union”)

Sunday 17.10.2021  
VISIONS FOR THE FUTURE: PRACTICAL STEPS FOR REACHING THE SOLUTIONS

9:00–10:30  
INTRODUCTION ROUND TABLE: VISIONS FOR PEACE CONFLICTS AND TENSIONS FOR TOMORROW  
Venue: CCCB (Hall + Pati de les Dones)  
Chaired by Federico Mayor Zaragoza [Spain], former Director General of UNESCO and Chair of the Foundation for a Culture of Peace; & Lisa Clark [Italy], IPB Co-President

● Video Greetings  
Noam Chomsky [USA], scientist and activist, University of Arizona  
Hemantha Withanage [Sri Lanka], Chair of Friends of the Earth International  
Christy Hoffman [USA], General Secretary of UNI Global Union  
European Bureau for Conscientious Objection (EBCO)

● Dialogue, Cooperation, and Understanding (by video)  
Liv Torres [Norway], Pathfinders
- **Patriarchy and Gender-Based Violence**
  Binalakshmi Nepram [India], Manipur Women Gun Survivors Network

- **Round Table Discussion**
  Featuring Reiner Braun [Germany], IPB Executive Director
  Victor Ochen [Uganda], African Youth Initiative Network (AYINET)
  Josep Mayoral i Antigas [Granollers], Mayor of Granollers
  Shirine Jurdi [Lebanon], WILPF Lebanon, MENA regional representative at International Board
  Srishty Aware [India], Indian Institute for Peace, Disarmament & Environmental Protection

10:45–12:45
**FINAL WORKSHOP SESSION: STRATEGIES FOR THE FUTURE**
*Venue: Blanquerna - Universitat Ramon Llull*
*Note: For online workshops, rooms will be open for in-person attendants who would like to participate by computer/phone*

- **10 Years of Peace in the Basque Country: the Role of Civil Society [Hybrid]**
  Coordinated by Foro Social Permanente, Baketik and ICIP
  Room 102

- **A Culture of Peace: How to Make the Vision of a Culture of Peace Come True? [Online]**
  Coordinated by Ingeborg Breines [Norway], former Director of UNESCO’s Women and a Culture of Peace program and former co-president, IPB

- **Defending Human Rights, Promoting Peace [Hybrid]**
  Coordinated by Ciutats Defensores
  Room 303

- **Democracy, Elections & Peacebuilding [In-person only]**
  Coordinated by Tyson Smith Berry Jr. [Liberia], 4Kids International
  Room INFO2

- **Digital Activism in the Covid-19/Post-Covid-19 Era [Hybrid]**
  Coordinated by Sara Medi Jones [UK], CND
  Room 101

- **Environment and Peace - Young Climate Justice Activists in Dialogue with an Abolish War Veteran [Hybrid]**
  Coordinated by Tord Björk [Sweden], Friends of the Earth
  Room 202

- **Feminist Peace [In-person only]**
  Coordinated by Young WILPF
  Room 302

- **How People Power and Nonviolent Action is Changing the World [Hybrid]**
  Coordinated by Angelo Cardona [Colombia], President of Ibero-American Alliance for Peace; and Diego Checa Hidalgo [Spain], IPAZ
  Room 304

- **Mediterranean: Tense Horizons. How Civil Society Can Contribute to Transform Conflicts. Three cases: Palestine, Western Sahara and Catalonia [Hybrid]**
  Coordinated by Novact – Nonviolent Action
  Room 201
Northeast Asia Peace and Cooperation [Hybrid]
Coordinated by Peace Boat/ People’s Solidarity for Participatory Democracy (PSPD)
Room 400

Presentation of the report of the Catalan delegation in Colombia: The violence of the security forces violates fundamental human rights in the protests of the National Strike. [Hybrid]
Coordinated by Direcció de Justícia Global de l’Ajuntament de Barcelona, David Llistar
Room 104

Reimagine our world- action for peace and justice in the Pacific [Online with in-person participation possible]
Coordinated by by Independent and Peaceful Australia Network (IPAN)
Room 415

Strategies and Actions for a Nuclear Weapons-Free World [Hybrid]
Coordinated by Rieko Asato [Japan], Japan Council against Atomic and Hydrogen Bombs (Gensuikyo); and Carme Suñé [Barcelona], Fundipau
Room 105

Why EU Arms Export Keeps Fueling War and Repression [Hybrid]
Coordinated by Wendela de Vries [Netherlands], Stop Wapenhandel; and ENNAT
Room 301

12:45-14:00
FINAL PLENARY: STRONGER TOGETHER FOR PEACE. A CALL TO ACTION
Venue: CCCB (Hall + Pati de les Dones)
Chaired by Jordi Calvo [Barcelona], IPB and Sara Medi Jones [UK], IPB Councilmember

- Presentation of the Declaration/Appeal "(Re)Imagine Our World: Action for Peace, Justice, and the Climate". Philip Jennings [UK], IPB Co-President
- Remarks by Black Lives Matter. Karlene Griffiths Sekou [USA], Black Lives Matter
- IPB Action Plan Presentation. Reiner Braun [Germany], IPB Executive Director
- Presentation of Regional Action Plans/Mediterranean Forum Plan. Yara El Harake [Lebanon], Universitat Jaume I
- Presentation of the IPB Youth Network Statement. Emma Pritchard [UK], Sankalp Pawar [India/Germany], Theo Valois Souza [Brazil], IPBYN Representatives
- Closing Remarks. Philip Jennings [UK], IPB Co-President

Note: This is the final programme. Nonetheless any changes due to unforeseen circumstances will be updated in the virtual version of the programme on the digital Congress platform as well as on the website at www.ipb2021.barcelona.

Organized by the INTERNATIONAL PEACE BUREAU
Regional Co-Organizer: Institut Català Internacional per la Pau (ICIP)
IPB YOUTH NETWORK (IPBYN) & LOCAL YOUTH GATHERING PROGRAMME

11:00–13:00
IPB Youth Opening Event
Venue: Espai Fontana, Carrer Gran de Gràcia, 190, 08012 Barcelona, Spain
Moderation: Emma Pritchard (IPBYN) and Sankalp Pawar (IPBYN)

At our opening event, IPBYN members Emma Pritchard and Sankalp Panwar will create a space for you to share ideas and build strategies to work towards a more sustainable, just and peaceful world. After an introduction of the IPB Youth Network and the Youth activities around the main congress, barcamp-style sessions will allow you to come together, exchange your visions and get inspired by other Youths joining the congress. The session will conclude with collecting the results of the barcamp sessions and an outlook on what’s to come at the main congress.

13:00–13:45
Lunch Break
Venue: Espai Fontana, Carrer Gran de Gràcia, 190, 08012 Barcelona, Spain
A small lunch including a vegetarian option will be provided for attendees. As of now, we are not able to provide vegan or gluten-free options for participants.

14:00–16:00
Storytelling Workshop Session
Venue: Espai Fontana, Carrer Gran de Gràcia, 190, 08012 Barcelona, Spain
Speaker: Helen Patuck (Founder and Director of Kitabna – Our Book CIC)
Creating children’s books for peace after war
Coordinated by Kitabna – Our Book CIC & the International Peace Bureau

This workshop will introduce Kitabna – Our Book CIC’s work of creating multi-lingual children’s books with communities affected by conflict and disaster since 2014, starting in Lebanon and reaching across Iraq, Jordan, Palestine and Syria to Libya and resettled refugees in the United Kingdom (www.kitabna.org). As a creative consultant to NGOs working in emergency education across the MENA and to the World Health Organisation on international emergency mental health interventions, Kitabna’s founder and director Helen Patuck will share insights into the importance of imagination and valuing your own creativity in peace work.

Following six years of delivering story-writing workshops in refugee and IDP camps, from Iraq to Gaza, to Syria, Helen is now sharing our story-writing methodology online with the International Organization for Migration’s psychosocial support teams in Turkey and the Norwegian Refugee Council’s education teams in Libya. As this workshop usually takes place over several days, we will share one of the key activities with today’s youth congress: bringing your environment to life to tell the story you want to tell. So if you can only attend online, please have a piece of paper and pen to hand!

With a focus on transmission to future generations through the medium of children’s fiction, and the potential for solidarity across languages and borders made possible by multi-lingual publishing, this practical workshop invites participants to come and share a creative moment together. We will get to know each other in groups, create with each other, and try to bring our own unique visions of peace to life in some stories.

14:30–16:30 (Departure from opening event venue at 13:45)
Barcelona Walking Tour
Venue: External. Registration will be available on-site. Capacity: 25 persons
Facilitator: Marta Batalla with the team of Espai Rasprava

The tour will focus on current social conflicts and their relation with perception, memory and remembrance. The group will be visiting places where both old and present social struggles come together. The tour will take place in Barcelona’s city center. The main goal is to reflect on the relation and agency of youth and memory.
WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS

Workshop sessions’ descriptions can be found below. The final content of workshops remains subject to change. Please check the digital/online programme for last minute changes.

FIRST WORKSHOP SESSION
SATURDAY, 16 OCTOBER | 12:00-13:30
Venue: Blanquerna - Universitat Ramon Llull

- COMMON SECURITY: A BLUEPRINT FOR GLOBAL AND REGIONAL RELATIONS
  Format: Hybrid
  Language: English

This seminar is intended to create an open discussion on the opportunities and challenges of Common Security as a strategy and a tool for preventing great power and regional conflict. All panellists are speaking on this issue as members of the New Common Security commission and will also provide us with insights into the global efforts to revitalise alternative approaches to the global peace and security narrative. It will begin with a welcome by the coordinator, Eskil M. Grav, and will be followed with opening statements from the panellists. We will then open for a more open discussion and questions from the audience, which will be able to engage the panellists both in person and online.

Coordinator:
Eskil M. Grav, IPB Council Member, Norway (in person)

Panellists:
Anna Sundstrom, Olof Palme International Centre, Sweden (in person)
Kumi Naidoo, Global ambassador, Africans Rising for Justice, Peace and Dignity, South Africa (online)
Rosaline Marbinah, OCSE Special Representative on Youth and Security, Sweden (online)

- CREATING A PEACE ECONOMY - GUIDELINES FOR A JUST CONVERSION
  Format: Online only
  Language: English

This interactive workshop aims to identify guidelines for a just conversion from military to civil industries in the contemporary world, for divestment from military infrastructure to build social and environmental security and stability.

Can lessons be learned from experience in the past? What are the main challenges for economic conversion today and what are the opportunities to overcome them with renewed activism. A panel of activists with experience and expertise in conversion will form the basis of a joint analysis of conversion and just transition strategies to date and a debate about just conversion for common security in the future.

- THE DIGITIZATION OF WARFARE
  Format: Online only
  Language: English

This workshop will discuss the evolution of new and emerging technologies and their implications for warfare, intelligence gathering and security. Drones and autonomous robotic systems are the subject of national and international debate and political action. Swarms of underwater drones and complex satellite detection systems are fast becoming a major challenge to the ability of to remain hidden. Cyberwarfare has also received some attention from governments and the media because of the obvious implications of its use.
However, the field is changing rapidly and new technologies are emerging. Military Space Forces are being developed and nanotechnology, biotechnology, information technology, communications technology and applied cognitive science are contributing to the development of distributed weapon systems, non-lethal weapons and incapacitants, battle management (command and control), space weapons, bio enhancement of combatants and centralised political control. Ethical questions are now being raised by military leaders, scholars, legislators, journalists, and non-profit humanitarian groups.

The Workshop will be moderated by Dave Webb (U.K.) and invited speakers are:

**Bruce Gagnon**, coordinator of the Global Network Against Weapons and Nuclear Power in Space, to speak on the militarization of space and hypersonic weapons; globalnet@mindspring.com

**Joaquin Rodriguez**, from Universitat Autonoma de Barcelona, and member of the International Committee for Robot Arms Control (ICRAC); Joaquin.Rodriguez@uab.cat

**Anne-Marie Buzatu**, Vice President and Chief Operations Officer, ICT4Peace Foundation; will speak on cyberwarfare; anne-mariebuzatu@ict4peace.org

### THE FOUNDATIONS OF PEACE: NUCLEAR ABOLITION AND THE LAW (INCLUDING TPNW)

**Format**: Hybrid  
**Language**: English

While the world faces several crisis including the COVID-19 pandemic, it still faces the threat of annihilation of all life on our planet by the most dangerous weapon created by man: nuclear weapons. Political and military actors of the nuclear weapons and their partner states follow their own rules on nuclear weapons – e.g. in terms of modernization, nuclear sharing, (threat of) first use of nuclear weapons. Meanwhile existing and developing law provides clear rules and regulations on the illegality of nuclear weapons as well as for nuclear abolition. And law provides multiple sets of tools towards a path of nuclear abolition, highlighting responsibilities towards human beings and environment.

In this workshop we would like to give insights into international, human rights and environmental law and present and discuss the legal framework of nuclear abolition and disarmament as well as possibilities to use and advance human and environmental rights for the abolition of nuclear weapons.

**Speakers**

**Amela Skiljan**, Co-Chair IALANA Germany: “introduction on international law and nuclear weapons”

**Phon van den Biesen**, Co-President IALANA: “legal framework of nuclear abolition and disarmament”

**Hannah Kohn**, LCNP: “human rights and nuclear weapons”

**Oleg Bodrow**, IPB council member: “civil use’ of nuclear power, nuclear weapons and environmental law”

### THE IMPACT OF NUCLEAR TESTING AND CLIMATE CHANGE ON FRONTLINE COMMUNITIES

**Format**: Hybrid  
**Language**: English

Between 1946 and 1958, the United States tested 67 nuclear weapons in the Marshall Islands. These nuclear tests, which were conducted on Bikini and Enewetak Atolls, caused severe humanitarian and environmental problems for Marshallese and forced many to evacuate from their traditional lands. On Enewetak Atoll, the U.S. gathered contaminated soil and placed it in a cement dome on Runit. The structural integrity of the dome has been eroding since it was constructed in the late 1970s, and now, due to rising sea levels and climate change, the Marshallese population fears its ultimate collapse and further contamination of Enewetak lands, lagoon, and the Pacific Ocean.

Simultaneously, rising sea levels have been weakening the seawalls in the Marshall Islands.
Consequently, saltwater has inundated local crops and freshwater reserves, and along with sustained drought in the northern atolls, have led to severe crop failures. Further, frequent flooding has increasingly forced Marshallese residents from their homes and there are serious concerns that these low-lying atolls will soon become uninhabitable.

As the Marshallese community faces ongoing threats due to nuclear contamination and climate change, both the Marshallese Educational Initiative and Reverse the Trend believe that it is crucial for Marshallese youth to educate the public about the horrors of the aforementioned existential threats and express their concerns about U.S. attitudes towards the plight of the Marshallese.

**Speakers**

**Benetick Kabua Maddison**, Project Specialist, Youth, Climate and Nuclear Issues at Marshallese Educational Initiative (MEI);

**Marcina Langrine**, a Program Coordinator at MEI; Dr. April L. Brown, President and Co-Founder at MEI;

**Lovely Umayam**, Coordinator of Reverse the Trend, Founder and Chief Creative Producer for Bombshelltoe Policy x Art Collective;

**Danielle Samler**, Coordinator of Reverse the Trend, and Research Officer of the Lawyers Committee on Nuclear Policy;

**Christian N. Ciobanu**, Coordinator of Reverse the Trend, and the Policy and Advocacy Coordinator of the Nuclear Age Peace Foundation;

**Dr. Carlos Umaña**, Co-President of the International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War (IPPNW).

**Structure**

The event will begin with an audio-video presentation of the Journey Home, a community poem by Marshallese youth, including Maddison and Langrine, and directed by Umayam, and a brief overview of U.S. nuclear testing, the impact of climate change, and the Marshallese diaspora in Arkansas, including systemic inequities that Marshallese face. Dr. Umaña will provide concluding remarks.

Following the presentation, the team will lead an interactive discussion about the impacts of nuclear weapons, climate change, and systemic racism, and encourage audience members to identify commonalities in experiences.

Following the discussion, panelists will present an online curriculum and a toolkit that addresses the twin existential threats of nuclear weapons and climate change and will conclude their presentation by urging international youth to support the Marshallese community in their demand for social justice.

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**INCORPORATING MILITARIZATION OF AUSTRALIA AND THE ASIA-PACIFIC**

**Format:** Online (In-person participation possible)

**Language:** English

**Facilitator:**

**Matilda Byrne**

**Presenters:**

**Kellie Tranter**

**Vince Scappatura**

**Students from Macquarie University**

This session will focus on the increasing militarization in Australia, and the Asian region, driven by US war fighting policies, including looking at the role of US bases and troops, aircraft and ships and newer technologies such as drone warfare. We have three expert speakers as well as a presentation by students studying the impact of arms export industries. The workshop will be conducted to enable significant input and discussion and sharing of ideas by all participants.
Notes

**Matilda Byrne** based in Melbourne at Australian NGO SafeGround, is National Coordinator of Australia Campaign to Stop Killer Robots. Matilda also works across SafeGround’s other disarmament efforts including nuclear weapons, explosive remnants of war, and landmines. Matilda has a Masters in International Relations specialising in international security. She is also currently undertaking a PhD in atrocity crime prevention and R2P in the field of global governance through the Social and Global Studies Centre at RMIT University. She is driven by humanitarian approaches to security issues and the promotion of peace in foreign and defence policy.

**Kellie Tranter** is a lawyer and human rights activist who stood as an Independent candidate for the NSW Parliament. Kellie regularly contributes political and social commentary to public affairs websites like ABC’s The Drum, Independent Australia, National Times and Online Opinion and has written for New Matilda and the Australia Institute. She is Chairperson of the National People’s Inquiry into the Costs and Consequences of the Australia-US Alliance.

**Dr Vince Scappatura** teaches Politics and International Relations at Macquarie University. His latest book is The US Lobby and Australian Defence Policy.

**Students at Macquarie University in Sydney,** Australia are researching a project into the harm caused by Australian exports of weapons in collaboration with the Medical Association for the Prevention of War.

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**THE INTERSECTIONS OF PEACE AND GENDER**

**Format:** Hybrid

**Language:** English, Informal Spanish Translation available.

Feminist peace activism has a long history despite its invisibilization. Throughout the last decades, feminist peace activism has provided reflection and action to some of the most important global challenges, by contesting wars, violence, arms race and militarism. Feminists have been at the forefront of the peace movement challenging patriarchal discourses and practices that have normalized and sustained the use of violence. At the same time, feminist peace researchers have built alliances and worked on alternatives based on feminist human security.

This workshop will gather a diverse group of women coming from different backgrounds and pertaining to different generations. The participants will engage in a conversation around some of the main current challenges and threats to peace both globally and locally. Some of the issues that will be addressed at this session will be the advancement of the far-right and the proliferation of hate-speech, threats to women peacebuilders and human rights defenders, and militarism, among other issues. Participants will be invited to address these issues from an intersectional perspective, pointing out root causes and highlighting alternatives being currently developed by the feminist movement.

The conversation will be moderated by the Escola de Cultura de Pau and WILPF.

**Speakers**

- **Shirin Jurdí**, WILPF Lebanon;
- **Blanca Camps**, Centre Delàs d’Estudis per la Pau;
- **Concha Gaudó**, WILPF Spain
7.8 billion people and 8.7 million species need a peaceful, healthy world—one where we can live in safety and access the food and resources we need to survive. But all of that depends on the Arctic Ocean.

For millions of years, the Arctic Ocean has been our planet’s air conditioning system. It regulates the atmospheric currents, ocean currents, and weather patterns that sustain our lives. But it has changed drastically in the past decades. Today, there is 75% less Arctic sea ice in the summer than there was just 50 years ago. As a result, the world’s weather patterns have become unstable with greater floods, fires, droughts, and other natural disasters—leading to displacement, unrest, and water and hunger crises. At the same time, military and commercial interests are taking advantage of the Arctic Ocean in its vulnerable state and doing even more damage. This is an under-reported global emergency.

In this virtual presentation, attendees will learn about the current dire state of Arctic Ocean exploitation and militarization, and the global consequences—as well as the singular opportunity presented by the Marine Arctic Peace Sanctuary (MAPS). As the largest marine preserve in history, MAPS is a critical and urgently needed response. Through evocative visuals, this presentation tells the story of the origin of MAPS, its vision for a peaceful Arctic Ocean and a healthy planet, and our human capacity to change.

The audience is encouraged to engage through questions, reflection, and a strong call to action to protect the Arctic Ocean as our shared heritage.

There is no such thing as objective journalism! Every individual, and thus every organization in which individuals work, has been formed in a society, in an education system, in a culture that has a point of view, a set of beliefs, and a set of values. These intangibles affect everything that we do as communicators and most of the time we aren’t even aware of it.

In order to develop a style of journalism that promotes peace and nonviolence, it is essential to look at the world we live in, the culture of the place we live, the beliefs and values we have, and then question all of it. Which beliefs and values did we choose and which were imposed on us? How does this affect the way that we communicate?

This workshop hosted by Pressenza International Press Agency will pose these questions and then look at the principles and tools of communication used by Pressenza to develop a style of journalism that opens the path towards peaceful resolution of conflicts, towards dialogue and towards reconciliation. It will help communicators think more about what they write and how they do so, allowing for a more active role for journalists in the construction of a culture of peace and nonviolence.

Workshop presenters:
Tony Robinson, Pressenza International Press Agency (Confirmed)
Juana Perez, Pressenza International Press Agency (Confirmed)
Further speakers TBC
**PEACE EDUCATION**

*Format: Hybrid*

Peace education is one of the fundamental tasks of peace movements around the world.

The United Nations resolution A/53/243 of 6 October 1999 (Declaration and Programme of Action on a Culture of Peace [https://undocs.org/A/RES/53/243](https://undocs.org/A/RES/53/243)) gave a definition of a culture of peace and established a programme of action for peace and non-violence education. Since the 1990s, numerous UNESCO documents and publications, as well as the information disseminated by the Culture of Peace News Network (CPNN | Culture of Peace News Network cpnn-world.org) have documented the many initiatives taken by States, but above all by civil society, to develop education for peace, the first of the eight fields of action of the culture of peace.

There are many networks at the local, national or international level that carry out concrete peace education activities. The question that arises for a network such as the International Peace Bureau is how to relay concrete experiences of peace education so that as many interested organisations and associations as possible can benefit from them, and what type of campaign a network such as the IPB could carry out in order to be useful to the greatest number.

The proposed workshop aims to reflect on this question based on several concrete experiences. After a presentation of their actions, the speakers will be invited to make proposals and recommendations to the IPB on the campaigns to be conducted in favour of peace education.

In the conditions of the Covid pandemic, the workshop will take place in the form of 10-minute presentations (in the presence of the speakers or on video), followed by recommendations to the IPB.

The workshop will be coordinated by Alain Rouy, Board member of IPB.

**Speakers:**

- A-Young Moon, (present in Barcelona - powerpoint), founder and representative of PeaceMOMO, a non-profit, education specialist organization (S. Korea)
- Pierre-Olivier Poyard, (Teachers for Peace France) present in Barcelona, presentation: Peace Education Project: Agriculture for Peace
- Tony Jenkins, (video) Managing Director, International Institute for Peace Education (USA), Coordinator, Global Campaign for Peace Education
- Alain Zozime, Josette Fourme (by video), International Association of Educators for Peace (IAEP), Peace education at the University Paris Saclay

**RACISM AND WAR: BREAKING THE CYCLES OF VIOLENCE**

*Format: Hybrid*
*Language: English*

Racism, an ideology deeply rooted in white western societies has been instrumental for the justification of wars, violence and oppression throughout history. In today’s world, racism is also the governing ideology of migration politics – refugees and migrants have been continuously framed by political leadership as a “threat to national security” and either let to die or are cluttered in gated camps under inhumane conditions. FRONTEX is patrolling the European border in military gear, rather than engaging in Search and Rescue missions and even commits illegal push backs. In the US, despite the ongoing mass mobilization of antiracist movements, hopes that the Biden administration will change course in migration governance, have been failed. On the contrary, in September 2021, 10,000 Haitians were deported back to the island that is plagued by natural catastrophes, poverty and violence. Amidst the economical tensions between China and the US, anti-Asian racism is also on the rise. In past and present racism has enabled war and war has enabled racism. During this workshop we will analyze
the current discourse in the USA and Europe and discuss strategies that will help us break this cycle of violence. In which way everyday antiracism is a contribution to peace? Is peace possible in a racist society?

Inputs by:
- Cristina María Zamora Gómez, WILPF Spain, Malaga (online, confirmed)
- Kazembe Balagun, Rosa Luxemburg Foundation, New York (online, confirmed)
- Nasim Lomani, Steki Metanastwa, Athens (online, confirmed)
- Marga Ferre, co-president, transform! Europe, Madrid (online, confirmed)
- Carrie Hou, Abolish Frontex (online, confirmed)

Moderation: Katerina Anastasiou (transformleurope)

• TRACKING CORRUPTION IN THE ARMS TRADE

Format: In-person only
Language: English

The Corruption Tracker Project (“Tracker”, “CT”) aims to create an up-to-date, online tracker of all cases and robust allegations of corruption in the global arms trade. The project aims to expose and oppose the systemic ways in which the global arms business poisons the well of politics worldwide. As the most corrupt business sector globally, the arms trade undermines good governance, drains resources from the people, and drives conflicts across the world.

The workshop will introduce participants to the presence of corruption in the arms trade & its negative impact on states military expenditure, and democratic practice. Break-out sessions will follow and attendees will discuss on coalition building, intersections with other social justice issues, and effective campaigning strategies to approach corruption. The goal is to provide attendees with a general understanding why corruption in the arms trade is so present, dangerous & inherent, as well as further integrate the issue into peace and justice work.

List of Speakers
- Andrew Feinstein, Shadow World Investigations (in person attendance to be confirmed)
- Ruth Rohde, Corruption Tracker & RüstungsInformationsBüro (in person attendee)
- Julia Auf dem Brinke, Corruption Tracker & International Peace Bureau (in person attendee)
- Brittany Arneson, Corruption Tracker (in person attendee)

Workshop Format/Structure: 90 min
1. (5 min.) Introduction
2. (10 min.) Introductory discussion
3. (10 min.) Input by Andrew
4. (10 min.) Introduction of CT
5. (15 min.) Whiteboard brainstorm
6. (20 min.) Group work
7. (10 min.) Group work presentation
8. (5 min.) Closing remarks

Workshop Subject Matter
1. Introducing attendees to the presence of corruption in the arms trade & its negative impact on states military expenditure. Drawing connections to the work of attendees by asking them to discuss:
   a) What are the things that you are campaigning on that relate to arms trade and money? What do you think are the connections that are important?
   b) What is the significance of the link between corruption and money? (Alt. question maybe especially for non-campaigners in the group)
2. Introduce attendees to the Corruption Tracker Project (“Tracker”, “CT”) which aims to create an up-to-date, online tracker of all cases and robust allegations of corruption in the global arms trade.
Furthermore, outlining how individuals can identify, trace, track & document corrupt patterns through investigative techniques.

3. Group work: Provide an open space for debate on the avenues for activist, academics, and journalist alike to critically engage with the global arms trade and corruption.
   a) Participants split into groups and engage in an open discussion on concrete ways of action, campaigning, coalition building, and opportunities to engage and work together on the topic of Corruption in the Arms Trade (different prompts will be provided and attendees can chose one of 5 working groups which suits their interests best.

● WOMEN IN DIASPORA BUILDING PEACE

Format: Hybrid
Language: Spanish. English translation service will be provided for the online audience

The role of the diaspora as an active actor in peace processes may be a significant element in the transformation of conflicts and contribute to the reconciliation efforts in their country of origin. The diaspora can support establishing a transitional justice system and enhance its findings with its own experience and narratives. It can also contribute to the effective implementation of peace agreements and participate in strategies for coexistence and reconciliation.

This workshop will debate the critical elements of ICIP’s report “Women and peacebuilding from the diaspora and exile in Europe”, which goes through the contributions that have been made in the last 20 years in this field from a gender perspective. It assesses theoretical documentation and collects concrete experiences of women and LGBTI+ people who fled from conflict, violence, and persecution, organizing themselves in the hosting country to contribute to peace and democracy processes in their country of origin.

Representatives of women organizations belonging to different diaspora groups in Europe will explain how they work for peace in their respective countries.

Panellists
Nora Miralles, author of ICIP’s report “Women and peacebuilding from the diaspora and exile in Europe.”
María Eugenia Blandón, president of Mujer Diáspora.
Nadia Ghulam, Afghan activist and founder of “Ponts per la pau.”
Conducted by Sílvia Plana, ICIP.

Organizer
ICIP

SECOND WORKSHOP SESSION
SATEURDAY, 16 OCTOBER | 15:00-17:15
Venue: Blanquerna - Universitat Ramon Llull

● ADVANCING TOWARDS A MIDDLE EAST FREE OF WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION

Format: Hybrid
Language: English

This workshop, hosted by the Middle East Treaty Organization (METO) will focus on the latest developments in the Middle East, by diplomats, states and civil society in relation to the long-yearned-for goal of a Weapons of Mass Destruction Free Zone.
The workshop also aims to break down stereotypes of the Middle East and the way Western mainstream media and activism are affected by them. Moreover, the objective is to arm activists with updated information on the zone and some useful talking points when dealing with the zone in their own states/activities or when talking to their own governments and media.

Finally, the workshop will offer ways for activists to engage with and support the work of regional activists.

**Speakers**
Sharon Dolev, Middle East Treaty Organization
Emad Kiyaei, Middle East Treaty Organization

**Moderator**
Tony Robinson, Middle East Treaty Organization

#### ARCHIVES AS A TOOL TO PROMOTE TRUTH, MEMORY, AND JUSTICE
**Format:** Online only  
**Language:** English

In the aftermath of war, authoritarian regimes, gross human rights violations and breaches of international humanitarian law, different initiatives are undertaken to deal with this legacy. Research and practice suggest that there is a relationship between the ability to address this legacy in a comprehensive and inclusive manner and the potential to develop sustainable peace. When designing such initiatives, the importance of preserving archives and records concerning human rights violations is often underestimated and forgotten. However, recent experiences and good practices have allowed diverse actors throughout the world to recognize the contribution of this documentary legacy to the promotion of human rights and sustainable peace. Given the importance of the topic for a variety of conflict and post-conflict contexts, such as Syria, Nagorny-Karabakh, Ethiopia and Guatemala, it is crucial to offer a space for cross-regional dialogue and exchange of lessons learned in order to strengthen the capacities on the subject matter, and thus contributing to the professionalization of the field. One of the most emblematic experiences is that of the preservation of the Historical Archive of the National Police of Guatemala (AHPN). This archive, despite facing various technical, economic, and political challenges, became an international point of reference on the subject matter.

This panel brings together practitioners and experts to exchange and discuss about the current challenges to protect archives as important legacy for societies and to reflect upon the efforts made by civil society actors, governmental and international actors to use these archives as a tool to promote human rights and sustainable peace. In particular, the panellists will be sharing their perspectives on questions like:
- Why are archives relevant for human rights and sustainable peace?
- What challenges do societies face when using archives as a tool to deal with a violent legacy?
- What are the lessons learned from Guatemala and what can other actors in other contexts learn from them?

This panel is organized to celebrate the launch of the book *The Historical Archive of the National Police of Guatemala (2015-2017)* in Spanish and English, which compiles the experience of safeguarding this archive, as well as its challenges, achievements, and contributions to dealing with the past in Guatemala. Subsequently to this exchange, there will be time to reflect on questions and comments from the audience. The following persons will be part of the panel:

José Rodolfo Kepfer, former collaborator of the Historical Archive of the National Police of Guatemala
Adam Moneim, Sudanese Archives
Trudy Huskamp Peterson, Certified archivist and independent consultant

Moderation: Corsin Blumenthal, Program Officer Dealing with the Past program, swisspeace
Since the very first calls for the abolition of the transatlantic slave trade, peoples of African descent have made calls for reparations to be central to the cause of emancipation and justice. At the turn of the twentieth century, Caribbean nations pushed for reparations for the injustice of slavery to be put on the agenda of the 2000 UNESCO World Conference Against Racism held in Durban, South Africa. Though this did not find wide support, the tide began to shift by the 2010s and moving into the 2020s as reparations discourse for the gross injustices of slavery, colonialism, imperialism, and the continued subjugation of Black people has increased in mass culture, in political spaces, and in international law. In 2013, the British government agreed to pay out £20 million in reparations to a group of more than 5,000 survivors of the Mau Mau uprising. The next year, the intergovernmental Caribbean Community (CARICOM) countries made multi-state demands for European states to pay reparations to the descendants of enslavement. Having successfully petitioned Germany to return several skulls of the Herero and Nama massacred in the twentieth century’s first holocaust in 2018, Namibia continues its demands for reparations from its former colonizer.

Following the tragic lynching of George Floyd, scholars, advocates, politicians and activists are increasingly contributing to public discussions regarding remedies owed to people of African descent across the globe. Worldwide calls for justice for Black people underpins these discussions culminating in 2020’s global Black Lives Matter protests—what some are calling the largest uprising the world has ever seen. As Reparations discourse becomes more mainstream, the idea of what constitutes reparations has broadened—in at times disturbing ways. This workshop will underscore the need for a global approach to reparations work. In doing so, it will also show how neoliberal approaches to reparations ultimately further entrench systemic anti-Black racism and white supremacy.

**Format**
Fireside Chat with BLM

**Sandy Hudson** is an activist, public intellectual and creative with a talent for inspiring others to imagine just futures. Unapologetically committed to refreshing honest public discourse, she is also a compelling educator. Sandy is co-founder of Black Lives Matter Canada

**Karlene Griffiths Sekou** is an international human rights advocate, public health professional, director of healing justice, and co-leads international organizing for Black Lives Matter Grassroots. She is founder and executive director of The Dignity Project International, an organization that works to imagine and create a world of dignity and value for all.

**Angela Waters-Austin** serves as the director of operations and policy for Black Lives Matter Grassroots. Angela is co-founder of Black Lives Matter Lansing and the first statewide chapter, Black Lives Matter Michigan. Angela is chief executive officer of One Love Global and a co-director of Liberation Policy Action Center. Angela earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Communications from the University of Michigan.

**Jorden Geiger** is a South Bend, Indiana native and co-founder of Black Lives Matter South Bend. He works as an educator in his community and serves the Director of Outreach for BLM Grassroots.

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**CLIMATE CHANGE, THE ENVIRONMENT, AND PEACE**

**Format:** Hybrid

**Language:** English. Some panellists speak Spanish and can answer questions during the Q&A.

Coordinated by **Emma Pritchard**, IPB Youth Network Coordinator, with **Nuria Del Viso**, FUHEM and **Pere Brunet**, Centre Delas

This workshop explores narratives around climate change, the environment and peacebuilding, to place the dominant approach of securitization in the context of alternative approaches which will lead
to a more just, peaceful and sustainable world. The panel discussion will bring together the expertise of Chloé Meulewaeter, doctoral researcher on building a culture of peace, Victoria Reyes Garcia, researcher into indigenous approaches to climate defence, Winnie Sengwer, Advocacy Officer of the Defenders Coalition in Kenya, and a representative of the trade unions, and will be followed by a discussion with participants.

- COMMON SECURITY APPROACHES TO 21ST CENTURY CONFLICTS, PEACE, JUSTICE & SECURITY
  
  Format: Hybrid  
  Language: English

Featured Speakers: Reiner Braun (IPB - Germany), Sharran Burrow (ITUC President - Australia), Alexey Gromyko (Russian Academy of Science), Anna Sondstrom (Palme Foundation - Sweden), Zhiqun Zhu (Bucknell University, USA).

At the height of the Cold War, the Common Security Report, initiated by Swedish Prime Minister Olaf Palme, provided the paradigm and foundation for the 1987 INF Treaty, which functionally ended the Cold War before the fall of the Berlin Wall. It taught that security can only be created in common with those adversaries, that “States can no longer seek security at each other’s expense; it can be obtained only through cooperative undertakings”.

Forty years later we face new and increasingly dangerous geostrategic tensions: the escalating U.S.-China cold war and U.S./NATO – Russian military confrontations; as well as the existential climate, nuclear and pandemic threats; nuclear, cyber and high-tech arms races; and massive and deadly structural inequalities.

This workshop will reengage the wisdom and legacies of the original Common Security Report. It will explore alternative Common Security policies – bilateral, regional and global - that governments and civil society should be pursuing to prevent war and reduce military tensions, address existential threats, and ensure justice. It will also introduce the current Palme Foundation’s/IPB’s/ITUC’s development of a 21st century Common Security Report.

- DEFUND THE MILITARY · DEFEND PEOPLE AND THE PLANET
  
  Format: Hybrid  
  Language: English

The world spent $1.98 trillion on the military in 2020, the highest figure since the end of the Cold War. Our governments’ ever-growing military capacities, in the name of national security, have proved themselves completely useless to defend people from the COVID-19 pandemic, nor can they keep us safe in the face of other global emergencies such as climate change.

This workshop will draw attention to how current levels of military spending not only fail to provide true security, but they actually stand in the way of just and comprehensive solutions to the problems urgently demanding our attention. Panelists will make the case for major reductions of military expenditures across the world, especially in those countries accounting for the largest shares of the world’s total spending, a reset of our priorities as societies, and a new defense and security paradigm that puts human and environmental needs in the center of policies and budgets. Including the audience, this session will also open a conversation about where to reallocate the freed-up resources, i.e. confronting the coronavirus pandemic or the eco-social collapse we are now facing.

We need to defund the military if we are to defend people and the planet.

Speakers
Sam Perlo-Freeman, Campaign Against the Arms Trade (CAAT)  
Jürgen Grasslin, RüstungsInformationsBüro & Stoppt den Waffenhandel
Laetitia Sedou, European Network Against the Arms Trade (ENAAT)
Yeshua Moser-Puangsuwan, Nonviolence Canada
Emily Rubino, Peace Action NYS
Pere Ortega, Centre Delàs of Peace Studies

Format
Presentations and round table debate.

Organizer
GCOMS – Global Campaign on Military Spending (IPB)

Objectives
- To raise awareness and change the discourse regarding military spending and security
- To promote major reallocations of military expenditure to human security-oriented sectors
- To exchange strategies and good practices among activists and experts from different contexts and backgrounds, and strengthen their collaboration and synergies.

INDIGENOUS PEOPLES MOVEMENT FOR PEACE & DISARMAMENT: STRENGTHENING ALLIANCES AND DARING TO IMAGINE AN ALTERNATE WORLD

Format: Hybrid
Language: English

Currently there are 21 known conflicts in world and 378 forgotten world’s conflicts, many on indigenous territories. Over 68 million people, millions who are indigenous, have been displaced due to these conflicts. One person in world is displaced every two seconds in today’s world. 80 percent of the conflicts happen in bio-diversity hotspots where indigenous peoples live. 476 million indigenous people spread across 90 countries and territories worldwide. They constitute 6.2 percent of world’s population and 15 percent of the world’s poor.

Many places where indigenous peoples live, historic and archaeological sites are militarized, landmines laid and weaponized and martial law imposed on their territories. Dams are built, lands are mined and used as drug production centers and nuclear wastes dumped affecting land, lives and futures of many indigenous communities.

Several indigenous organizations around the world have started work to mitigate this crisis. Global alliances have started to be built around the issues of disarmament, peace and security. This workshop will bring together an array of strong Indigenous women thinkers, scholars, policy makers and activists from around the world to strengthen alliances and daring to dream of an alternate world which is free from wars and conflicts. It will look at the global disarmament movements such as gun violence reduction efforts, United Nations Program on Small Arms and Light Weapons, Mine Ban and Cluster Munitions Treaty etc and share lessons learnt and forge linkages of hope in various indigenous communities around the world.

The workshop will be coordinated by Binalakshmi Nepram, Founder-Director, Manipur Women Gun Survivors Network and the Global Alliance of Indigenous Peoples, Gender Justice and Peace. She can be reached at Binalakshmi@gmail.com

MEASURING PEACE, MEASURING CONFLICT - INTRODUCING AND APPLYING THE HEIDELBERG APPROACH

Format: Hybrid
Language: English

The workshop will introduce participants to major concepts and problems of conflict observation and invite them to actively engage with practical and theoretical challenges in the field by working on...
concrete examples. In the first part, after briefly discussing different conflict definitions, the Heidelberg approach with its quantitative and qualitative indicators will be introduced in more detail. In the second part, participants will work on several methodological problems that may arise in conflict observation based on empirical findings. To conclude, results will be collected and discussed in the plenary.

**Working Groups**
- Weighing conflict means vs. conflict consequences
- Comparability of High Intensity Conflicts
- Challenges of source analysis in conflict reporting
- Framing conflict items
- Classifying non-violent and violent conflicts
- Measuring peace or measuring conflict?
- Identifying conflict actors

**Speakers**

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**NUCLEAR WEAPONS FREE ZONES (NWFZS): STRENGTHS AND GAPS**

**Format:** Hybrid  
**Language:** English

NWFZs are recognized as important regional practical measures of non-nuclear-weapon states (NNWS) in promoting the goals of nuclear non-proliferation and strengthening confidence among states. At present the sea-bed, Antarctica and the outer space are considered as uninhabited NWFZs. There are also five NWFZs in inhabited areas: in Latin America and the Caribbean, the South Pacific, Southeast Asia, the entire African continent and Central Asia that include 118 states. NWFZ treaties form the legal basis of these zones to which the five nuclear-weapon states (the P5) provide nuclear security assurances not to threaten or use nuclear weapons against such zones. Currently under discussion is establishing a NWFZ in the Middle East and informal discussions are also underway regarding establishing such a zone in Northeast Asia. Talks also are underway to establish such a zone in the Arctic. In short 84 mln. km² of world’s land and 39% of the population live in such zones representing 60% of United Nations membership.

Due to NATO nuclear doctrine, establishing such a zone in Europe or any part thereof is at present politically not ripe for formal discussions, though under the political pressures from TPNW the situation may gradually change.

**Gaps**
However, there are more than a dozen states and non-self-governing territories (NSGT) that cannot be part of NWFZs as defined and accepted today due to their geographical location or for some valid political reasons. The status of such states have not been reflected anywhere, including in the NPT nor in the 1975 UNGA definition of NWFZs or subsequent 1999 guidelines for establishing additional zones. When NWFZs were being promoted in 1970s, the focus, understandably, was on groups of states and not on individual states whose status is left undefined. Hence political vacuum and international legal gaps are emerging, including in the western Pacific and some parts of the Indian Ocean where great power rivalry is on the increase and will surely affect such states and territories. It is clear that the nuclear-weapon-free world that we are trying to establish would be as strong as its weakest link(s). So the issue of blind spots and grey areas need to be addressed so as to close such political and legal gaps. Single-State NWFZs need to be recognized as essential missing elements in the non-proliferation regime. Confidence in the non-proliferation regime would also be strengthened by prohibiting nuclear weapons use support facilities in NNWSs. On the other hand, the P4 need to provide, like China, unconditional assurances against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons against NWFZs and ratify the relevant protocols to NWFZ treaties.
Speakers
Lisa Linda Natividad, Professor of Social Work at University of Guam.
Achin Vanaik, retired Prof. of International Relations and Global Politics, Delhi University.
Dr. Tarja Cronberg, Distinguished Associate Fellow at SIPRI.
Sooyoung Hwang, People’s Solidarity for Participatory Democracy (PSPD).
Alyn Ware, Co-founder and Global Coordinator for PNND.
Enkhsaikhan Jargalsaikhan, Chairman of Blue Banner NGO.
Moderator: Vanda Prošková, Vice-Chair, Prague Vision Institute for Sustainable Security.

PEACE AND HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATION IN AFGHANISTAN
Format: Online only
Language: English

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Introduction
The Taliban agreed in the Doha Peace Agreement that they will form a coalition government which will include minorities and women. The newly appointed cabinet includes neither women nor minorities. Human rights are perpetually violated and peace is not restored since the Taliban interim government has been formed.

Issues to be examined
1. Minorities and women are not given proper representation in the government
2. Imposed restrictions on girls’ education
3. Imposed limitations on women at work
4. Set limitations for media
5. Impunity for the Taliban militants for serious violations of human rights

Aims of the paper
A brief response to the above issues is that these issues arose when the Taliban took control of the country and needed all the sectors to work for it. The Taliban didn’t act according to the Peace Agreement and violated several portions that they signed with the United States. Their military commanders have more authority than their political leaders. They formed the interim government but have no coordination at central and provincial levels which create a vacuum that is filled by the local Taliban leaders who have no fear of accountability for their crimes.

Steps for change
1. The Taliban is the only military power in the country and they don’t value other political parties’ submissions, the United Nations and the International Community should pressure the Taliban to include minorities in the government and allow girls access to education, women to work, in return for recognition of their government.
2. Strengthen civil society and human rights organizations: civil society and human rights organizations should educate girls and women that must develop their ability to value freedom and the skills to meet the nation’s challenges. This means preparing women to cope with difficult and uncertain situations and fitting them for personal autonomy and responsibility. Awareness of personal responsibility must be linked to recognition of the value of civic commitment, of joining together with others to solve problems and to work for a just, peaceful and democratic community.
3. Campaign for human rights: The civil society can play a significant role by promoting, protecting and monitoring human rights and gender equality in the country.
4. Ensuring the Taliban militants’ accountability: A lack of accountability for gross human rights violations and abuses continues to characterize the human rights situation in the country.
The Taliban has announced immunity to the former government members, but it is reported that Taliban has avenged several members of the former government. The human rights organization and media should take active part in bringing these wrongdoings to mainstream awareness and assure accountability for their crimes.

**Conclusion**

The issues appeared as the Taliban didn’t follow the peace agreement. This proposal should be peer reviewed and subsequently key areas of activity can be undertaken.

- **PEACE POLICY IN THE FACE OF NEW GEOPOLITICAL CHALLENGES**
  - **Format:** In-person only
  - **Language:** English, Spanish

  The expenditures for military are soaring: the US alone is spending more than 772 billion dollars. On the same time vast numbers of weapons are exported to all conflict zones on the world. This together with the circumstance that international law is strongly neglected by a large number of states and the matter of fact that many nations allow the use of force to enforce their interest must concern the international community. A particular threat is the conflict between the US and China. There is the risk a new cold war. How can proxy wars be prevented? How to positively influence international security from a leftist point of view? The workshop will deal with these questions and more.

  The introduction and moderation will be made by Heinz Bierbaum, President of the European Left; the speakers will be Maite Mola, vicepresident of the European Left in charge of the International Relations, and Willi van Ooyen, Die Linke.

- **PROMOTING PEOPLE’S PARTICIPATION FOR A WORLD OF PEACE AND DEMOCRACY**
  - **Format:** Online
  - **Language:** English

  This workshop seeks to unpack the meanings of three concepts: Peace, Democracy and Civil Society Participation and the interplay of these three concepts through people’s experiences of resistance, ongoing struggles and hopes for the future. Recent events as in Afghanistan that concern international civil society and indeed all people and countries point the need for this interconnection.

  The chaotic collapse of Afghanistan and regional instability has shown that imperial and other militarist interventions failed but also the abject failure of hegemonic discourses on security and geostrategies. All this comes at the cost of civilian lives in and around Afghanistan, the rise of a state based on religious extremism and more instability and oppressions. The other equally clear but understated factor is that the only sector that had opposed these continuous interventions, spoke for negotiated settlements, and human development based pressure on rogue regimes has been civil society and peace activists who repeatedly warned against military intervention and the unwarranted expenditure of trillions of dollars that could have been used to make the world more secure.

  It is this civil society paradigm that we will discuss. This workshop will highlight lessons learned from those experiences as a way to develop inter-generational, inter-sectoral exchanges in the hope of inspiring future generations of peace and justice activists.

**Tentative Program Flow**

1. Welcome & Opening Remarks
2. Introductory Song: PAGBALIK (Coming Home) by Christian ‘BONG’ Ramilo (Filipino-Australian musician based in Darwin, Australia). Bong is the recipient of the 2018 Australia Council Ros Bower Bower Award for Community Arts and Cultural Development. He was part of the people’s theatre movement and wrote songs for the democracy movement during the Marcos dictatorship before...
migrating to Australia in 1986; he has worked with Filipino and other communities across Australia as a community-based artist since then. Bong is a member of the Asian Movement for People’s Music. 

III. Keynote Speaker: (20 minutes)
Dr. Walden Bello, Chairperson, Laban ng Masa, Chairperson, Focus on the Global South (Philippines), Adjunct Professor, State University of New York at Binghamton, Recipient of Right Livelihood award 2003 https://rightlivelihood.org/the-change-makers/find-a-laureate/walden-bello/With Q&A

IV. Panelists (7 minutes X 6)
  a) Dr. Anuradha Chenoy (India) 
  b) MilkTea Alliance: Ms. Me Me Khant and Ms. Yasmin Ullah (Burma-Rohingya)
  On their reflections on the value and of trans-national solidarity across peace and democracy movements, the use of digital spaces and pop-culture references by Gen-Z and Y activists for these, and implications in reimagining people’s movements and people’s role in international governance.
  c) Dr. Simeon Man, University of California San Diego/US
  d) Amaya Alvez Marín (Human Rights Lawyer, Member of the Constitutional Convention in Chile TBC
  e) Prof. Roland Simbulan (Center for Peoples Empowerment in Governance, Philippines and University of the Philippines Manila)
  Book Introduction by Author-Editor: Nuclear Free Nation (The Power of the People Versus Nuclear Power in the Philippines)

V. Discussion with concluding remarks and/or action proposals from the speakers
VI. Concluding Song: Ngayon Ay Narito (a song of hope) by Christian ‘Bong’ Ramilo of the Asian Movement for People’s Music

Moderators
Dong Huy Cuong and Christopher Marc Batac (TBC)

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- RELIGION, PEACE AND SANCTUARY
Format: Hybrid
Language: English

In 2021, we are witnessing the number of forcibly displaced people approach 100 million globally as a result of proxy wars and economic exploitation led by superpowers, brutal dictatorships, oppression and persecution of civilians, and climate catastrophes wrought upon indigenous populations by colonial powers, multinational corporations and the military industrial complex. The governments that hold permanent seats on the so-called UN Security Council, especially the United States, hold primary responsibility for this state of global mayhem and despair, as they are the world’s largest purveyors of warfare, venture capitalism, global heating, exploitation of indigenous land and resources – and motivated to perpetuate their wealth and world domination.
In April 1967, at New York City’s Riverside Church, the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King delivered a sermon against imperialism that offered a profound diagnosis of militarism, poverty and racism as the “three evils of society” and “plague of western civilization.” He called for “a radical revolution of values” and a need for people to have a deep-seated aversion to injustice. “There comes a time when one must take a position that is neither safe, nor politic, nor popular, but he must take it because conscience tells him it is right,” said King.

It is in this spirit that we invite you to a conversation with seven radical visionaries and activists for peace, who have been inspired by their faith traditions to use their power, privilege and trust in God in the struggle to end war, open borders, and provide sanctuary honoring the dignity and human rights of all people. As you will hear, their brave and principled advocacy has sometimes put them at odds with their governments and co-religionists.

**Rev. Bob Brashear**, Co-founder of the International Sanctuary Declaration Campaign and Network, and member of the Presbyterian Church USA Committee on Central America and the Border Crisis. Bob will speak about the origins and theological groundings and mandates of the ISD Movement, as well as the inalienable human right of people to move.

**Maglaha Hammama**, Western Saharan Refugee and Peace Activist. Maglaha will talk being born and raised in a refugee camp, and how Islam motivates her peaceful pursuit of liberation and self-determination, and that of NOVA, the Nonviolent Sahrawi Resistance Organization.

**Robert Herbst, Esq.**, Jewish Voice for Peace, ICAHD-USA. Robert will speak about the world’s largest refugee population – the Palestinians – and how Judaism calls for their human rights and “Right of Return” contrary to the ideology of political Zionism. He will also touch upon democratic confederalism as a path to self-determination and peace for the Palestinian and Israeli people.

**Runbir Serkepkani**, Christian Peacemaker Teams, Aegean Migrant Solidarity Program, Kurdish Activist. Runbir will talk about CPT’s multi-faith network and commitment to undoing systems of war and oppression, while focusing on spiritually-centered peacemaking, creative public witness, nonviolent direct action, and protection of human rights of refugees in Greece, many of whom are Kurdish and seek democratic confederalism as a path to peace and self-determination.

**Chrissy Stonebraker-Martinez**, Co-director of the Inter-Religious Task Force on Central America and FOR-USA Co-Chair. Chrissy will talk about the situation of Central and South America since the end of the Cold War with the USSR, and how the United States needs to take responsibility, accountability and action to end the military, political, economic and environmental destruction of those regions, which have led to cataclysmic and inhumane forced migration and human rights violations of people on the move.

All speakers represent some of the 100+ international organizations which have endorsed the International Sanctuary Declaration Campaign and its five principles of sanctuary (compassionate response, due process, family unity, restorative justice, and civil initiative), which are to be used to guide grassroots and governmental response to the global escalation of displacement: tinyurl.com/global-sanctuary

**Moderator:** **Susan H. Smith**, Fellowship of Reconciliation - USA.

● **ROLE OF PEACE ECONOMICS AND PEACE SCIENCE IN PEACE MOVEMENT**

**Format:** Online only  
**Language:** English

The field of Peace Science was pioneered by Professor Walter Isard from University of Pennsylvania. The growth of Peace Science as an interdisciplinary field integrate different fields such as Economics, Philosophy, Religious Studies, Spirituality, Political Science, Sociology, Psychology, and System Science, etc. It addresses theoretical, mathematical and system science approach in peace research and public policy.

Peace Science borrows theories methods and techniques from other social sciences and shows how co-operation rather than competition between individual decision making units can lead to peaceful
resolution of problems between individuals, communities, regional entities and governmental organizations. Some topics, such as Catastrophe Theory, Chaos Theory, Decision Science, Game Theory, Coalition and Bargaining Theory, etc. are widely used in this area. Peace Economics is an important component in Peace Science where it addresses the subject from purely economic point of view. Peace Science and Peace Economic are relatively new field of study, which also use different methods and techniques of Management Science, such as Strategic Management, Marketing, Operation Research, as well as Information Systems.

Presenters

**Manas Chattreji**. Manas Chatterji is Bartle Professor of Management at Binghamton University, State University of New York; Guest Professor, Peking University, China.

**Jacques Fontanel**. Professor at ILERI at Paris (Institut Libre des Etudes de Relations Internationales de Paris), former Professor and vice-President at the University of Grenoble.

**Riccardo Cappellin**. Riccardo Cappellin is the Professor of Applied Economics, University of Rome “Tor Vergata”.

**Urs Luterbacher**. Urs Luterbacher was Professor of Political Science at the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies Geneva, Switzerland.

**Mansoob Murshed**. Syed Mansoob Murshed is Professor of the Economics of Peace and Conflict at the International Institute of Social Studies (ISS).

• SMALL IS NOT ALWAYS BEAUTIFUL: MIGRATION, SMALL ARMS TRAFFICKING AND GRASS-ROOTS VIOLENCE UNDER THE AUSPICES OF BIG POWER POLITICS

**Format**: Hybrid

**Language**: English with Spanish and French interpretation.

When we talk about wars we have not only to think about big power politics, but also about the daily armed violence perpetrated by the so called “organized crime”. But behind this phenomenon there are often political, economic and military forces which benefit of the defenselessness of the poor in order to increment their own wealth.

Based on the testimonies of millions of refugees and thousands of victims of this daily violence, activists and experts from Latin America, the US and Europe are going to reveal the sources of small and medium sized arms which are produced in countries like Germany, France and the USA.

This subject of “small wars” against the civil population has been taken up by the World Social Forum in order to promote a convergence between the social, ecological and peace-movements for an action oriented global agenda of mobilizations.

This workshop will be hybrid and held in English with Spanish and French interpretation.

**José Antonio Foronda**. Mexican Lawyer). “Violence and destiny of migrants at the US-boarder”.

**Sabine Lamour**, Haitian activist of the women’s movement. “What’s behind the intestinal wars in Haiti?”

**John Lindsay-Poland**. US-expert on arms Trafficking. “Small arms with big consequences”.

**Moderator**: **Leo Gabriel**. Austrian journalist and Anthropologist, member of the IC of the WSF.

• STRONGER TOGETHER FOR PEACE: BUILDING CAMPAIGNS AND ALLIANCES

**Format**: Hybrid

**Language**: English

We will examine effective coalition-building from 3 perspectives: across movements, across generations, and across national boundaries. How can we build powerful alliances to achieve campaign victories? Bring your ideas, questions, and ideas to share in this interactive workshop. Afterward, you will be able to build stronger campaigns and alliances for peace through vibrant and dynamic coalitions.
Coordinated by Steven Staples. Steven Staples is a successful political strategist and campaigner from Canada, with 30 years of experience in social justice, peace and labour movements. He is the author of Missile Defence: Round One, An insider’s account of how and why Canada said no to George W. Bush - and why the missile defence issue won’t go away.

**VICTIM ASSISTANCE AND ENVIRONMENTAL REMEDIATION: THE CASES OF NUCLEAR AND OF URANIUM WEAPONS**

**Format:** Hybrid  
**Language:** English

**Summary**

Global attention on the environmental dimensions of armed conflicts and military activities is growing. With efforts to strengthen the legal framework preventing environmental damage before, during and after armed conflicts has come increasing recognition of the need to address the long-term consequences for human health and ecosystems.

Victim assistance norms that emerged from dealing with the explosive harm caused by land mines and cluster munitions are now being reimagined to tackle the health and ecological harms from the chemical and radiological pollution caused by conflicts and military activities.

This workshop will examine these emerging norms, how they are developing as part of the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons and wider efforts to enhance the protection of the environment in relation to armed conflicts, and how they could be applied in the cases of nuclear weapon testing and the use of depleted uranium (DU) weapons. Special attention should be devoted to vulnerable groups like women and children. Altogether, use can be made of a multitude of possible arrangements and procedures.

**Speakers**


Prof. Manfred Mohr. ICBUW co-chair, IALANA Board member. “The legal framework for dealing with nuclear and uranium weapons and the consequences of their use”.

Doug Weir. The Conflict and Environment Observatory, Research and Policy Director, [www.ceobs.org](http://www.ceobs.org). “Principles for victim assistance and environmental remediation for the toxic remnants of war” (Online).

Dr. Sdran Aleksic, Lawyer, Special Legal Team, Nis/Serbia. “NATO bombing of FR Yugoslavia. State and consequences”.

Moderator: Nadine-Isabelle Kas, ICBUW Team.

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**FINAL WORKSHOP SESSION**  
**SUNDAY, 17 OCTOBER | 10:45-12:45**  
**Venue:** Blanquerna - Universitat Ramon Llull

**10 YEARS OF PEACE IN THE BASQUE COUNTRY: THE ROLE OF CIVIL SOCIETY**  
**Format:** Hybrid  
**Language:** Spanish. English translation service will be provided for the online audience.

On September 17, 2011, the Basque social organization Lokarri convened an International Peace Conference attended by international personalities from politics and peace, such as Kofi Annan, Bertie Ahern, Gro Harlem Brundtland, Pierre Joxe, Gerry Adams and Jonathan Powell.
The Conference concluded with a five-point declaration in which the international representatives urged the Euskadi Ta Askatasuna (ETA) organization to put a definitive end to the violence.

It also urged the Spanish and French governments to start negotiations to end the conflict and seek solutions through democratic conflict resolution.

On October 20, 2011, three days after the Conference was held, ETA announced the definitive cessation of its armed activity.

The Basque Country is experiencing an innovative “peace process without peace negotiations”. The process is led mainly by civil society organizations. This workshop will present the role that these social organizations have played and continue to play.

Panellists

- **Paul Ríos**, Lokarri. One of the organizers of the Peace Conference. “The architecture to facilitate the end of violence.”
- **Agus Hernan**, Foro Social Permanente. “Civil society driving the peace process after the Peace Conference. Consolidate peace after violence.”
- **Maider Maraña**, Baketik. “Experience of social dialogues and coexistence in municipalities affected by violence. Reconciliation and management of the past.”

Organizer
ICIP, Foro Social Permanente, Baketik

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**A CULTURE OF PEACE: HOW TO MAKE THE VISION OF A CULTURE OF PEACE COME TRUE?**

**Format:** Online

**Language:** English

Panellists

- **Federico Mayor**, President, Culture of Peace Foundation and former Director General of UNESCO, Spain. On-line participation.
- **Ogarit Younan**, Founder, University of Non-Violence and Human Rights (AUNOHR), Lebanon. On-line participation.
- **Mariá Cristina Azcona**, Author and Director of the International Forum for Literature and a Culture of Peace (IFLAC), Spain. On-line participation.
- **Firmin Edouard Matoko**, Assistant Director General for Africa, UNESCO HQs, Paris

Chair: **Ingeborg Breines**, former Director of UNESCO’s Women and a Culture of Peace program and former co-president, IPB.

The panel sets out to discuss: How to make positive change in a dramatic and unsettling world situation, with existential threats related to the climate- and environmental crisis, growing inequalities and suffering exacerbated by the pandemic, as well as the dangers of the modernization of the nuclear arsenals? What are our alternatives, both on a world scale and on individual levels? How to get the world out of a militaristic definition of security? What are the best practises that can stimulate the development from cultures of war, violence, enemy images and propaganda to cultures of cooperation, peace and non-violence? How to inspire dreams and practices truly rooted in the vision of a culture of peace?

Each panellist will have a presentation of maximum ten minutes followed by interaction between the panellists, as well as with the public. The session is planned to be forward-looking, strategic and solution oriented.

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DEFENDING HUMAN RIGHTS, PROMOTING PEACE

Format: Hybrid
Language: English

Introduction

The work of human rights defenders is not only essential to uphold fundamental rights and freedoms. It is also pivotal to improve societies and enhance democracy. By addressing systemic causes of conflicts, they are agents for positive change and development.

However, despite their cornerstone role for peace and justice, human rights defenders are too often criminalized and subjected to all kinds of threats and attacks, including killings.

On the one hand, the workshop aims to explore the many connections between advocating human rights and building peace. On the other hand, we will assess means and strategies to protect human rights defenders from harassment better. In this sense, we will present several Catalan programs and initiatives to support human rights defenders and help them to carry out their work.

Panellists

Czarina Musni, Philippine human rights lawyer.
Victor Ochen, Ugandan peace activist.
Sahar Francis, Palestinian human rights defender.
Sílvia Juventeny, Catalan Refugee Aid Commission.

Organizer
Cities Defending Human Rights

DEMOCRACY, ELECTIONS, & PEACEBUILDING

Format: In-person only
Language: English

Participants will receive training on "Democracy, Elections and Peace Building" from the African Context. The workshop will provide participants the knowledge and skills to understand the concepts of Democracy and Elections so as to be able to ensure a cohesive, peaceful and friendly environment that will promote and enhance fear-free, safe, inclusive, and participatory democracy in Liberia and Africa at large. The workshop is also based on a comprehensive approach to community-building that integrates the core skills, knowledge, and attitudes that youth need to be positive agents of change in their respective communities or countries.

The role of elections as a conflict resolution mechanism is undeniable. It provides an exit strategy from often violent crisis. However, in order for an election to fulfill its conflict resolution and peacebuilding role it must address the basic requirements of a level playing field. And because elections are in themselves a potential source of conflict, it is all the more important that they are held under conditions to promote peace. We will also look at elections as threat to peace building and National reconciliation discussing strategies for peace building and National Reconciliation in Liberia and Africa at large.

The outcome of this workshop: "Increased knowledge and skills of participants to apply and support democracy in their respective countries for peaceful cohesive world". At the end of the workshop, participants will be able to: understand democracy; Describe the 4 principles of democracy; describe the four (4) factors that allow democracy to succeed from the practical perspective; threats to peacebuilding and national reconciliation consideration; six factors further considered as having direct implications for peacebuilding and national reconciliation; understanding on what grounds candidemocracy be criticized.
Speakers
Tyson Smith Berry Jr. Executive Director- 4Kids International
Mayor Jefferson T Koijee. City Mayor of Monrovia - Republic of Liberia
Gen. Major Prince Charles Johnson III. Chief of Staff of the Armed Forces of Liberia
Angela Waters Austin. Black Lives Matter

● DIGITAL ACTIVISM IN THE COVID-19/POST-COVID-19 ERA
Format: Hybrid
Language: English

This workshop will examine what is digital activism and assess the associated opportunities and political risks. Our panellists - who are all personally experienced in digital campaigning - will talk about how changes in how we campaign have been accelerated because of the global pandemic. New technologies and the digital systems that could be used in the future will also be discussed.

Panellists
Emily Rubino, Executive Director, Peace Action New York State
Lucero Oyarzún, Digital Campaign Coordinator, ICAN
Nana Crawford, Social Media Manager, British Red Cross
Facilitated by Sara Medi Jones, Campaigns Director, CND

● ENVIRONMENT AND PEACE - YOUNG CLIMATE JUSTICE ACTIVISTS IN DIALOGUE WITH AN ABOLISH WAR VETERAN
Format: Hybrid
Language: English

How can we unite the environmental and peace struggles? Young climate justice activists in dialogue with abolish war veteran.

The purpose of this hybrid seminar is to engage all participants in a discussion on how to challenge both the climate and peace movement to find common ground. There is a need to find ways to address the connection between these two issues in terms important to people working in common.

In this seminar the Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty Initiative will be presented as one way of connecting the environment and peace.

It is an example of how the climate movement learns from the peace movement by using similar campaigning techniques such as the nuclear ban treaty campaign. It may also be a way for the peace movement to learn from the climate movement while questioning the role of fossil fuel in the national economies in the global North and the South. This can be a stepping stone towards addressing socio-economic issues of importance for the majority of people, and a more united environmental and peace movement.

Both rural and urban ways of organizing resistance and finding constructive solutions to environmental and peace conflicts will be addressed. One exploration being a dialogue between mass civil disobedience climate justice activists and the rural Zapatistas from Mexico. Another effort is Global Cities joining climate and peace treaty campaigns.

These issues will be brought into a context of efforts to abolish war, and suggesting that another socio-economic model is necessary to save the climate as well as to support the struggle for constructing local resilient communities. Furthermore, the need to connect all movements internationally by initiatives such as the global dialogue initiative Adelante and World Social Forum will be mentioned.
Female speakers will be given 10 minutes each and male speakers 5 minutes. This will be followed by a short session for questions and answers. This will allow time for two break out rooms, one on rural and one on urban ways of continuing a common environmental and peace social struggle.

In the end there will be time for reporting from the two group discussions and hopefully send a common short message to the COP26 Coalition and politicians in Glasgow in early November.

**Speakers**

- **Amos Wallgren**, Finland. Extinction Rebellion.
- **Zeno Bernhard**, France. Attac.
- **Tim Pluta**, USA. World Beyond War. Veterans for peace.

**Moderator:** **Tord Björk**, Friends of the Earth Sweden.

The seminar is initiated by Friends of the Earth Sweden as part of its effort for Peace with Earth and Peace on Earth. FoE Sweden have been working closely with the International Peace Bureau when co-facilitating the environmental theme during the World Social Forum in January 2021 and connecting it to the peace theme. FoE Sweden is involved in both the Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty Initiative and the Nuclear Ban Treaty campaign. The effort to bring peace and environmental issues closer to each other comes as part of the 50 year anniversaries of founding FoE Sweden and FoE International in 1971 and the first UN Conference held in Stockholm 1972. We hope that the Barcelona and Glasgow gatherings can become stepping stones towards bringing peace, environmental and many other popular movement together in June next year to People’s Stockholm+50 activities.

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**FEMInIST PEACE**

**Format:** In-person only  
**Language:** English (partly Spanish translation if needed as one of the facilitators is Spanish native speaker).

**Young WILPF**

The Women’s International League for Peace and Freedom is a feminist peace organization that is fighting for a more just, equal and peaceful world since 1915. The Young WILPF Network provides a space for women under the age of 35 to network, organise and advance the goals of WILPF within the younger generation. Young WILPF Network is a globally connected network of young women, working from the Asia Pacific, Europe, the Americas, Africa and South Asia; disparate in geographic location, but sharing the common goals of gender equality, peace and disarmament.

**Workshop Goal**

What does feminist peace mean? Why is a feminist lens on peace and peace activism useful and needed? How can we include feminist perspectives and approaches in our peace activism?

This workshop is specifically for people involved in peace and social justice activism who would like to include a feminist approach in their work. It gives a brief overview of what feminist peace means and how a feminist approach can be included in different areas. There will be room to self-critically reflect and develop new ideas and strategies that include a feminist approach. This event will use participatory and interactive methods to encourage dialogue and creativity. We also welcome participants who already try to include a feminist approach in their peace activism as that gives us the opportunity to share and learn from each other’s experiences.

**Workshop capacity**

max. 30 participants
Schedule
10:45 - 11:15
Part I: Introduction
11:15 - 11:45
Part II: What is Feminist Peace? - Introducing the concept
11:45 - 12:30
Part III: Small Group Sessions - What can we learn from one another?
12:30 - 12:45
Part IV: Final Discussion

Workshop Facilitators
Anna Hauschild
Alexis Canari
Jennifer Menninger

● HOW PEOPLE POWER AND NONVIOLENT ACTION IS CHANGING THE WORLD
Format: Hybrid
Language: English (partly Spanish translation if needed as the facilitators are Spanish native speakers).

This panel will explore civil society initiatives addressing global challenges through nonviolent means. Nonviolence is a recognized powerful force for social and political change. Many social movements, organizations and campaigns around the world build their struggles over people power. This panel will present some examples of current actors involved in major conflict transformation processes looking to increase protection for humans or the environment, achieve social justice, or end wars. It aims to show the increasing effectiveness of nonviolent means and the diversity of approaches to deal with some of the main global challenges.

Speakers
Angelo Cardona, Ibero-American Alliance for Peace
Peace Brigades International.
Peter Cousins, Fellowship of Reconciliation.
Claudia Bosch, Extinction Rebellion.
Moderator: Diego Checa Hidalgo, Peace and Conflict Institute, University of Granada.

● MEDITERRANEAN: TENSE HORIZONS. HOW CIVIL SOCIETY CAN CONTRIBUTE TO TRANSFORM CONFLICTS. THREE CASES: PALESTINE, WESTERN SAHARA AND CATALONIA
Format: Hybrid
Language: English, Spanish, Catalan

General description
This workshop aims to present strategies for Peace and human rights promotion in the Mediterranean Region. It will focus on how civil society organizations can actually be a key actor to promote processes of conflict transformation, balancing the power of the parties and generating the conditions that can drive the actors towards agreements and peacebuilding scenarios. To do so, it will count with the voices of four relevant academics / practitioners with a significant experience contributing to conflict transformation. During the workshop we will present the very different cases of Catalonia, Palestine and Western Sahara, representing each one paradigmatic cases of conflict of the three most relevant Mediterranean regions: Europe, Mashreq and Maghreb. We aim to give a general overview of the peace agenda in the Mediterranean region and present the dynamics of peace and civil society role in the Mediterranean Region.
Speakers

Jordi Cuixart, Catalan activist and President of Omnium Cultural, a non-profit association with more than 185,000 members. Imprisoned in October 2017 for promoting a referendum on self determination, he has been considered a political prisoner and a Human Rights Defender by the Council of Europe and several international Human Rights organizations. He was released in June 2021 thanks to international pressure and civil society mobilization.

Lema Nazeeh, International Lawyer, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Palestine and leading member of the Palestinian Nonviolent movement. She is a member of the Popular Committees Palestinian movement and considered a Palestinian Human Rights Defender.

Luca Gervasoni, President of the Catalan Federation of NGO’s, Director of NOVACT-Nonviolent Action and Adjunct professor in Conflict Resolution at UOC and UNITAR. He has been supporting civil society organizations working for conflict transformation in the Mediterranean during the last 15 years.

Ghalia Abdalahe Mohamed, A leading civil society representative of the Sahrauis pro-referendum and pro-human rights movement, she was imprisoned and disappeared between 1987 and 1991, Vicepresident of the ASVDH and member of ISACOM.

Program

- Luca Gervasoni (10’), Introduces the workshop, the goals, and a general framework on how civil society can contribute to conflict transformation in the Mediterranean Region.
- Lema Nazeeh (15’) Shortly introduces the conflict, the potential role of civil society and successful stories that can inspire the future.
- Ghalia Abdalahe (15’) Shortly introduces the conflict, the potential role of civil society and successful stories that can inspire the future.
- Jordi Cuixart (15’) Shortly introduces the political conflict, the potential role of civil society and successful stories that can inspire the future.
- 1 hour for debate and questions and answers

NORTHEAST ASIA PEACE AND COOPERATION

Format: Hybrid
Language: English

Northeast Asia is one of the most militarized regions in the world. Competition between the US and China, both nuclear states, is creating yet more difficulties in peacebuilding in the region. The 70 year long Korean War and unstable armistice system on the Korean peninsula has fueled an arms race and nuclear proliferation in Northeast Asia. Article 9 of the Japanese Constitution is a significant pillar for regional and international peace mechanisms, but the Japanese administration continuously tries to revise it.

This workshop will raise awareness of the current situation surrounding Northeast Asia, bringing together activists from the region and beyond to explore ways to together create peace and cooperation amid the region’s complicated situation.

Objectives

- to share the current situation and assessment on issues relating to Northeast Asian peace and denuclearization
- to share challenges and difficulties in building peace in Northeast Asia
- to discuss the role of civil society, and how to strengthen this

Moderator

Meri Joyce. International Coordinator, Peace Boat / Northeast Asia Regional Liaison Officer, Global Partnership for the Prevention of Armed Conflict (GPPAC), Tokyo
Speakers
Kawasaki Akira. Executive Committee Member, Peace Boat / International Steering Group Member, International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN), Tokyo.
Lee Taeho. Chair of Policy Committee, Director of Center for Peace and Disarmament, People’s Solidarity for Participatory Democracy (PSPD) / Standing Executive Committee Member of Korea Peace Appeal Campaign, Seoul.
Kevin Martin. President of Peace Action, Maryland.
Jae-Jung Suh. Professor for Politics and International Relations at International Christian University
A Call for Peace from the DPRK : Korean National Peace Committee (KNPC) - TBC

Format: Hybrid
Language: Spanish

Speakers
Maria Dantas, Member of the Congress of Deputies.
David Llistar, Director of Global Justice and International Cooperation of the Barcelona City Council.
Betty Puerto, representative of the Mesa Catalana por la Pau y los Derechos Humanos en Colombia.

● REIMAGINE OUR WORLD- ACTION FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE IN THE PACIFIC
Format: Online with in-person participation possible
Language: English

Facilitator
Annette Brownlie

Presenters
Lisa Natividad. “Vision for the future- Linking the urgent case for Climate Security with Demilitarisation”

Session Description
This session will focus on building the movement for peace in the Pacific. There is a military build-up in the region that is alarming and also presented as inevitable. The session explores realistic alternative visions for the future.

Notes
Annette Brownlie is a founding member of the Brisbane based community Peace organisation Just Peace Qld and the Chairperson of the Independent and Peaceful Australia Network IPAN. IPAN was formed in 2012 in response to the decision to host US Marines in Darwin. This announcement by then Prime Minister Gillard and President Obama in 2011 set alarm bells ringing around the country and the network was formed by a handful of groups now grown to represent over 50 organisations and many more individuals.

linton Fernandes is a professor at the University of New South Wales. His research focuses on emerging technologies ranging from hypersonic missiles to electromagnetic pulse weapons, directed-energy weapons, human performance enhancement, bioengineering, nanotechnologies, and advanced materials and manufacturing methods.

Lisa Natividad is a Professor of Social Work at the University of Guam. She is also the primary convener of the Guahan Coalition for Peace and Justice and a founding member of I Hagan Famalao’an
Guahan. She is an indigenous CHamoru who has championed the exposure of the human rights violations against her people and homeland Guahan, which is a military colony of the United States. She has spoken globally on the topics of demilitarization, decolonization, and the critical role women play in the creation of safe and thriving communities. Dr. Natividad has presented interventions on the halting of the massive military build-up on Guahan before the United Nations Fourth Committee, Decolonization Committee, and the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues.

STRATEGIES AND ACTIONS FOR A NUCLEAR WEAPONS-FREE WORLD

Format: Hybrid
Language: English, Spanish, Japanese

Coordinators
Asato Rieko, Japan Council against Atomic and Hydrogen Bombs (Gensuikyo)/ IPB Board member
Carme Suñé, Vice President, Fundipau, Catalonia-Spain.

Concept note

Building on the entry into force of the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons early this year, this workshop will discuss how to change the policies of governments opposing the TPNW based on their belief in nuclear deterrence -- which will be the key to achieving a nuclear weapon-free world. We will invite speakers representing the movements in nuclear-armed and umbrella states, including the NATO members, to share their views/experiences/strategies on mobilizing public support and achieving policy changes for the abolition of nuclear weapons in their respective countries, both at national and grass-roots levels. We have already seen some positive results in the recent national elections in several European countries. Our discussion will especially focus on their planning/proposals toward the NPT RevCon in January and the First Meeting of the States parties to the TPNW in March 2021.

Grass-roots activists and peace workers are encouraged to join the discussion, learn from each other, share their experiences, deepen international solidarity and bring new ideas, lessons and inspirations back to their own countries to create changes.

Panelists
Dave Webb, Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament, United Kingdom (online).
Ludo de Brabander, Vrede, Belgium (in-person).
Kim Jinyoung, People’s Solidarity for Social Progress, Republic of Korea (online).
Ralph Hutchison, Oak Ridge Environmental Peace Alliance, USA (online).
Mayor Josep Mayoral i Antigas of City of Granollers, Catalonia-Spain (in-person).
Tsuchida Yayoi, Japan Council against A and H Bombs (Gensuikyo) (online).

Draft agenda
- Opening remarks by the coordinator; Introduction of panelists
- Presentations by the panelists, each for 7-8 minutes
- Questions from moderators/participants (accepted in the zoom chat box and on-site) and answers from the panelists
- Comments/discussion involving the panelists/participants, especially on proposals for future joint actions and solidarity campaigns
- Concluding short comments by the panelists
- Closing remarks by the coordinator
WHY EU ARMS EXPORT KEEPS FUELING WAR AND REPRESSION

Format: Hybrid
Language: English

In this workshop we will look at the drivers for arms exports, at EU and European state policies that prompt governments to allow, and even promote, arms sales all over the world and at the concrete measures they take to support and facilitate the arms industry and its exports.

Panel
Andrew Feinstein. Shadow World Investigation.
Chloé Meulewaeter. Centre Delàs & IPB.
Mark Akkerman. Stop Wapenhandel.
Sam Perlo-Freeman. Campaign Against Arms Trade.
Coordinated by Wendela de Vries. Stop Wapenhandel for the European Network Against Arms Trade

In 2019 the Council of the EU reaffirmed “its commitment to promote cooperation and convergence in member states’ policies to prevent the export of military technology and equipment which might be used for internal repression or international aggression, or contribute to regional instability.” That same year EU member states granted arms export licences worth €38 billion. Many countries involved in wars and authoritarian regimes, including Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Egypt, the United Arab Emirates and Turkey, were amongst the main destinations. Meanwhile, European arms were used in the wars in Afghanistan, Libya, Syria and Yemen, in many other internal conflicts and to repress opposition and dissent all around the world.

It is clear that the export restrictions do not prevent many harmful exports to controversial destinations, to the detriment of peace, safety and human rights. While it is logical and necessary to look at the regulations and try to get stricter rules, we also have to look at this from another perspective. We do not only need to put forward why arms exports shouldn’t happen, but we also have to ask why they do happen.

Mark Akkerman will present his report “A Union of Arms Exports: why European arms keep fueling war and repression around the world” and give an overview of arms exports, the rules and how they fail and are undermined. Following this presentation, a panel will focus on the drivers for arms exports, the political and economical interests and the involvement of the lobby of the industry. Examples of harmful exports and the consequences in the importing countries will be analysed. Finally, together with the workshop participants we will make an inventory of ideas on how we can tackle the systemic factors that are undermining a restrictive arms export policy.

2020 SEÁN MACBRIE PEACE PRIZE CEREMONY FOR BLACK LIVES MATTER

Location: Blanquerna - Universitat Ramon Llull, room 103

Opening remarks
Lisa Clark, IPB Co-President; and Jordi Calvo, IPB Barcelona
Introduction: The Seán MacBride Peace Prize and Announcement of 2021 Recipients
Reiner Braun, IPB Executive Director
Laudatory Speech
Desirée Bela-Lobedde, Afro-feminist activist and author of “Ser Mujer Negra en España”
Awarding of the MacBride Prize to Black Lives Matter
Lisa Clark, IPB Co-President
Acceptance Speech
Karlene Griffiths Sekou, Black Lives Matter
Closing Words
Philip Jennings, IPB Co-President
Reception
EXHIBITIONS, PRESENTATIONS AND OTHER EVENTS

Exhibitions, presentations, and other events allow World Peace Congress collaborators to share projects they have been working on and host less formal discussions on a range of topics, or simply to network with others. The majority of the exhibitions will take place during the Saturday evening timeframe (19:30-21:30), while others will be available in public spaces or during other sections of the Congress.

• ACTIVITY: WHY ACHIEVING INNER PEACE IS A MUST TO ACHIEVE WORLD PEACE?
  Brahma Kumaris World Spiritual University
  Format: In-person only
  Language: English

Often inner peace is misunderstood with inaction and confused with complacency. In a world filled with conflicts and environmental stress at every level, our collective future might seem bleak. Inner peace is a treasure that gives us the power to materialize our purest intentions. It allows us to clearly see what’s holding us back from being who we are, both individually and collectively. Otherwise, we end up running in circles.

Marta Matarin from the Brahma Kumaris Barcelona will share her insights on how inner peace is a must to achieve world peace. This interactive workshop will involve some questions for personal reflection, group activities and exercises for inner well-being including meditation.

About the speaker
Marta Matarin has worked in foreign trade, human resources and as a translator. At present Marta shares the benefits of practicing meditation for more than 35 years and she facilitates workshops and seminars. She gives lectures on personal development and leadership in companies and cooperates with health centers offering emotion management to patients and their families. Marta started her spiritual journey when she was 14. Marta is the coordinator of the Brahma Kumaris center in Barcelona and a member of the National Coordinating Team of the Brahma Kumaris in Spain. Her love for silence and spirituality has allowed her to deepen in her practice.

Format for the workshop
Introduction (15 min)
Personal reflection with sharing (20 mins)
Small group activity (25 min)
Bigger circle sharing (30 mins)
Exercises for inner well-being (30 mins)

• ACTIVITY: THE PEACE FLAG
  Runa Ray
  Format: In-person only
  Language: Any language

In collaboration with the United Nations, The Peace Flag, aims at connecting and wrapping the world in peace.

Each canvas upon which the individual will either write or draw what they took away from the International Peace congress will be stitched all together to form a large Flag, which will be displayed annually at the United Nations on the international day of Peace.

Please do not forget to include your name and the date of the event.
● EXHIBITION: FACING VIOLENCE. STORIES OF RESILIENCE IN CENTRAL AMERICA
A Ruido Photo Project Produced by ICIP
Format: In-person only
Language: Guided tour in Spanish
Venue: Carrer Valldonzella 21
Dates: 15-18 October 2021

Guided tour and words with the authors on Friday 15th October at 5 pm (in Spanish).

In the Northern Triangle of Central America, one person is killed every forty minutes. For years Honduras, Guatemala, and El Salvador top the United Nations lists of homicide rates, which are twenty times higher than those of Europe are and double those of countries at war like Syria or Afghanistan.

The different governments have opted for heavy-handed and repressive policies that have led these countries into a spiral of violence that seems very difficult to get out of. However, in this hostile context, some men and women have created initiatives to combat this violence with different tools: transformative education, public awareness, solidarity actions or reintegration.

This exhibition shows the faces of some brave people showing that history is not written and that there is an extraordinary potential to walk towards peace in this small part of the world.

● EXHIBITION: “COLOURS OF A JOURNEY”
Katerina Anastasiou, Transform! Europe
Format: In-person only (available for online viewing at www.coloursofajourney.eu)
Language: English

Watch the new CoJ video: https://coloursofajourney.eu/art-in-public-video/

Against the backdrop of growing political, economic and environmental insecurities, millions are forced to leave their lands and homes. Striving for safety and dignity, many of these people embark upon a dangerous and often life-threatening journey to Europe. We believe that the marginalized, the oppressed, the invisible must be given space to voice their experiences and stories. This is the only way we can create a different narrative that will provide for a strong alternative to the current politics of fear, restore conditions for solidarity and trust, and hereby fortify the foundation of our common life in Europe. Colours of a Journey, launched in 2017, is a platform designed to collate and exhibit paintings and illustrations done by newcomer children. In these paintings, the children have visualized their past, present and most importantly their future.

Why did these people leave their homes? What does their life look like now? What kind of a future do they envision for themselves?

Art is a medium that bridges linguistic and cultural barriers and images are often better able to communicate complex experiences and emotions than words. Our primary objective is to curate a digital platform (archive) – “Colours of a Journey” – that hosts “stories” of refugee and migrant children. The platform is designed to collect and exhibit paintings and illustrations done by children between the ages of 6 to 18 and addresses in all kinds of supportive structures that work with them and/or host them.

An exhibition of 21 paintings will be featured during the IPB World Peace Congress in Barcelona 2021.
● EXHIBITION: “3D Nuke Missile” Art Installation

Youth Fusion
Format: In-person only
Language: N/A

A three-dimensional street painting of a nuclear missile. This art piece reminds us that there are more than 15,000 nuclear weapons around the globe, with hundreds of them able to be launched within minutes. The launch of any one of these by accident, miscalculation or intent would undoubtedly cause catastrophic destruction.

Interact with the 3D art. Grasp the chain to stop the missile firing! Take a photo. Spread the word on social media using the hashtag #3DNukeMissile.

● EXHIBITION: Peace Kimono

Runa Ray
Format: In-Person (photos online)
Language: N/A

On August 6, 1945, during World War II (1939-45), an American B-29 bomber dropped the world’s first deployed atomic bomb over the Japanese city of Hiroshima. The explosion immediately killed an estimated 80,000 people; tens of thousands more would later die of radiation exposure. Three days later, a second B-29 dropped another A-bomb on Nagasaki, killing an estimated 40,000 people. Japan’s Emperor Hirohito announced his country’s unconditional surrender in World War II in a radio address on August 15, citing the devastating power of “a new and most cruel bomb.”

Runa Ray, a fashion designer, activist and environmentalist has created a Peace Kimono in honor of Hiroshima and Nagasaki (lest we forget) by using origami and folding an entire piece of fabric. The parchment paper like Peace Kimono with its rough edges and almost child-like perception of (RE) imagining the future, makes us realize the choices we have... Destruction by war or Life of harmony on this planet.

In collaboration with the International Peace Bureau for its Second World Peace Congress. Runa Ray, uses fashion as activism to bring to light pressing issues that are interconnected to educate and advocate for policy change. In hopes of creating an equitable world necessary for our future.

● EXHIBITION: Young Artists Exhibit: Art is Mightier than the Nuke

Pax Christi
Format: In-person only
Language: English

To celebrate the entry into force of the Nuclear Weapons Ban Treaty, Pax Christi International sought digital artists to help us ask countries that have not yet joined the treaty to join it now. During this exhibition the two winning works of the competition and six special mentioned graphics will be exhibited.

● Film Screening: The Return: Life After Isis

Catalunya Film Festivals, Acció Cinema and Generalitat de Catalunya
Saturday 16, 12:00-14:00
Venue: CCCB Hall – Free entrance
Language: English and Arabic, with Catalan Subtitles.
Duration: 90 min

Followed by a Q&A with Alba Sotorra, the film director. Moderated by Carme Gual, director of the Catalan Agency for Development Cooperation - ACCD
Synopsis: Shamima Begum (UK) and Hoda Muthana (US) made it into worldwide headlines when they left their countries as teenagers to join ISIS. Now they want to return but their countries don’t want them back.

• FILM SCREENING: “NATO BOMBING YUGOSLAVIA WITH DU AND TESTING ON SARDINIA WITH SEVERE DAMAGE TO THE ENVIRONMENT”
  ICBUW in cooperation with the International Uranium Film Festival (IUFF)
  Format: Hybrid
  Language: English

Presentation of the film Uranium 238 – My story by Miodrag Miljkovic (awarded with the yellow heart of the IUFF) which follows lawyer Sdran Aleksic in his efforts to come to the truth about the consequences of the bombing of Yugoslavia with depleted uranium. Dr. Aleksic, who has just started legal proceedings against NATO on behalf of DU victims, will be present for updating and questions.

The film Balentes by Lisa Camillo (awarded as best documentary at IUFF Berlin 2020) shows the environmental catastrophe done through NATO tests to the island of Sardinia and the struggle of the island’s people against it.

• FILM TEASER: 1.5 DEGREES OF PEACE
  Kasha Slavner, Global Sunrise Project
  Format: Online only
  Language: English

Join Gen-Z documentary filmmaker Kasha Sequoia Slavner as she debuts the trailer for her new documentary, 1.5 Degrees of Peace. Welcoming YOU(th) to the table to learn about the mission of the documentary, ask questions, and build connections with one another to strengthen our movement for a just, peaceful and healthy planet.

• FILM TEASER & DISCUSSION: 7 MYTHS THAT SUSTAIN THE GLOBAL ARMS TRADE
  dED UCATION
  Format: In-person only
  Language: English

An introduction to Demilitarise Education & the official premier of a brand new video series based of the book ‘Indefensible: 7 Myths that Sustain the Global Arms Trade’ by Paul Holden. This will lead into an interactive workshop expanding on things discussed in the myth 1 video; Higher Defence Spending Equals Higher Security.

• PANEL: THE CHALLENGES OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF PEACE IN IBEROAMERICA.
  Alianza Iberoamericana por la Paz (AIPP)
  Format: Online
  Language: Spanish only

This panel will explore different initiatives of civil society and governments around the construction of culture(s) of peace in the Iberoamerican region through experiences that will be presented by the panelists giving eventually space for debate on how these initiatives contribute to overcome the main challenges for peacebuilding in Iberoamerica.

Panelists
Ma. Paz Ramos, Project Director at ILEWASI
Maria Teresa Barrios, Co-President of the Iberoamerican Alliance for Peace, Co-Founder of CoPaz.
Gloria Abarca.

- **PANEL: THE NONVIOLENT RESISTANCE OF SAHRAWI PEOPLE: THE GDEIM IZIK CASE**
  Sahara Dempeus
  Format: In-person only
  Language: Spanish

Due to the silence and the international forgetfulness, the dignified Gdeim Izik camp settled up in 2010. This protest has become an exemplification of the nonviolent resistance that Sahrawi people exercise against Morocco illegal occupation. Eleven years later, we will listen to Sahrawi activists that had participated in the camp, with the aim of learning what happened back then, the actual situation and the future perspectives of this conflict.

- **PANEL: “PROTEST AND SURVIVE”: YOUTH, PEACE AND ENDURING TIME**
  Youth and Student CND
  Format: In-person only
  Language: English

The workshop will discuss the challenges of organising for peace and nuclear disarmament with young people, and discuss how different generations can work together to achieve this. In particular, the workshop will focus on how we can learn from each other: a younger generation might be more tech-savvy, but an older generation has all kinds of skills only won through practical experience. This practical workshop will combine face to face discussions with video messages from activists with decades of experience to arm a young activist with the skills they need to organise.

- **PUBLICATION PRESENTATION: RELEASE OF THE INES/ABOLITION2000 REPORT ON MISSILE DEFENSE AND SPACE WEAPONIZATION**
  Lucas Wirli, INES
  Format: Hybrid
  Language: English

Welcome and introduction of the panel: Dr. Claus Montonen. Moderator: Dr. Claus Montonen, INES Treasurer, Finland.

Speakers
Subrata Ghoshroy, INES co-Chair, USA, "Introduction of the Report"
Dr. Christian Alwardt, Germany, "U.S. global missile defense systems"
Subrata Ghoshroy, "Ban missile defense systems"
Dr. Dave Webb, Chair CND, U.K. "Ban space weapons"
Prof. Juergen Scheffran, INES Co-Chair, Germany, "Missile defense and ASAT ban"
Dr. Monica Zoppe, CNR, Italy, "Public perception of space as a battleground"
Prof. Masako Ikegami, Japan, "Missile defense in East Asia"
This is the choice humanity faces as we witness unprecedented crises: ecosystem collapse, wildlife extinction, global pandemics, economic inequality, terrorism, endless war and cultural devastation. What will it take to substantively redeem ourselves and transform our world into one where peace, justice, and sustainability are planetary principles?

The Earth Constitution Solution confronts our perilous future head-on with a comprehensive solution that works for all. It exposes the fundamental flaws and corruption of the New World Order and Great Reset proposed by the World Economic Forum—fractured, neoliberal globalization plans that would divide us and exploit our precious planet.

It’s time to protect and celebrate the “Common-Wealth of Earth.” The Earth Constitution is a holistic and unifying document outlining a practical, concrete plan for federating Earth that can be studied and implemented by the people of Earth. This book promotes five fundamental steps to ensure our survival by integrating themes of cosmic evolution, scientific holism, climate science, sustainable economics, moral growth, and spiritual transcendence.

Co-editor Matt Meyer, Secretary General of the International Peace Research Association, will open a dialogue on the future of movement-building praxis for the 21st century. Joined by IPB Board member & fellow Resistance Studies scholar Binalakshmi Nepram; International Fellowship of Reconciliation Vice-President Peter Cousins; and Western Sahara NOVA Youth Activist Maglaha Hamma (invited), we will kick off an open-ended conversation on the strategies, tactics, cultures, and positive creative passions we will need to deepen and unleash to make social change and coalition-building both more effective and more FUN! Warning: this serious discussion is also intended as a serious way of kicking off a lovely Saturday evening! Hang out with us and Gandhi and Fanon together at last (in the pages of the book, in the form of some never-before-seen, hot-off-the-press essays from the original dudes plus their heirs Ela Gandhi and Mieille Fanon-Mendès France). A radical time is guaranteed!

Join the booklet’s authors to discuss the current state of EU militarisation, trends and developments as well as counter-strategies.

Only a couple of years ago, warnings about an EU military-industrial complex seemed far-fetched; it is now becoming a reality of which the EU is increasingly proud. Political education materials that give a comprehensive but compact overview of the basic elements of EU militarisation are scarce. This booklet aims to fill this gap and provide a comprehensive introduction to the discourses, structures and actors at the core of the militarisation of the EU.
In contemporary dominant right-wing politics, security has become synonymous with state surveillance, police oppression and the militarization of borders, thus serving the economic interests of the security and arms industries, rather than the security of people. During this workshop, we seek to open a space to discuss Left approaches and strategies that are capable of addressing the interwoven threats to the security of the majority: environmental collapse, war, injustice, extreme wealth accumulation, eroded social systems and health care. The discussion will be initiated with a brief presentation of a workshop series and corresponding report by transform! Europe and the Rosa-Luxemburg-Stiftung Brussels Office, highlighting considerations for a new Left concept of security.

Workshop facilitators: Axel Ruppert (Rosa-Luxemburg-Stiftung Brussels Office) & Katerina Anastasiou (transform!europe)
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- Committee of Prague II
- Education International
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To register for the conference, please visit www.ipb2021.barcelona. In case of technical problems, you may also register by sending an email to info@ipb-office.berlin with the following information:
(1) full name
(2) email address
(3) organizational affiliation
(4) in-person or virtual attendance
(5) confirmation of payment (if purchasing the welcome package)

Registration will close prior to the start of the event. If you wish to join after registration has closed, please contact info@ipb-office.berlin

*The welcome package includes some promotional items of the congress (locally-made, social & solidarity economy). It’s exclusive to those attending the congress in person and will be given at the main venue’s registration point.

Location

The congress will be held at the Barcelona Centre for Contemporary Culture (CCCB), located at Carrer de Montalegre, 5, 08001 Barcelona, and nearby Blanquerna university campus (Universitat Ramon Llull), located at Plaça de Joan Coromines, 08001 Barcelona.
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Note: Selected speeches and articles from the Congress will be collected for a final report prepared by Manas Chatterji, Binghamton University

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