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# ICAN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

GENEVA, 17-19 SEPT 2011

MAISON INTERNATIONALE DES ASSOCIATIONS  
15 rue des Savoises, 1205 Geneva

## SATURDAY 17 SEPT

8.30 -10.00 REGISTRATION

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10.00 - 12.30 PLENARY I

### **Presentation of the Conference and Welcome**

Arielle Denis - ICAN Geneva Senior Campaigner

### **Creating the conditions to abolish nuclear weapons**

Dr Rebecca Johnson – ICAN Vice Chair and Acronym Institute for Disarmament Diplomacy  
Executive Director

### **ICAN campaign recent developments and activities**

Dr Tilman Ruff – Chair of ICAN Core Group and ICAN Australia, IPPNW SE Asia  
Pacific Vice President

### **Analyses from governments, including the role of civil society**

Representatives from Switzerland and Norway

### **UN perspective on nuclear disarmament**

UNODA Representative

### **Deligitimizing nuclear weapons**

Ward Wilson – Researcher Monterey Institute

OPEN DISCUSSION

12.30 - 13.30 Lunch (open)

13.30 - 15.45 NUCLEAR ABOLITION CAMPAIGNERS FORUM

**Opening:** VIDEO projection of ICAN actions in 2011

OPEN DISCUSSION

*We invite the various ICAN campaigns and representatives from international NGOs and networks working for nuclear abolition to participate and give a short presentation of the analysis, activities and projects ( 5 mn presentation )*

15.45 - 16.15 Coffee break

16.15 - 18.15 **WORKSHOPS SESSION I**

1. Communicate for a nuclear ban: Use medias and social medias to campaign, messaging, arguments, techniques
2. Launch an ICAN hub in your city/ country

3. Working together with networks and NGO's to abolish nuclear weapons

4. Engaging effectively with governments and parliamentarians

18.30 - 19.30 Dinner (open)

19.30 - 22.30 Film "IN MY LIFE TIME" (1H45)

Followed by a discussion with the author and producer Robert Frye

## **SUNDAY 18 SEPT**

9.00 - 13.00 **NEW ARGUMENTS AND NEW PARTNERS TO BAN NUCLEAR WEAPONS**

9.00 - 10.30 **ROUND TABLE**

- **Lessons learnt from ICBL-CMC campaigns**  
John Borrie - Disarmament as Humanitarian Action project , UNIDIR (to be confirmed)
- **Humanitarian aspects of nuclear abolition**  
Peter Herby - ICRC or Lou Maresca ICRC ( to be confirmed)
- **Nuclear weapons a major threat to health and the environment**  
Dr. Tilman Ruff - IPPNW
- **Nuclear abolition and religions**  
Jonathan Friedrichs - World Council of Churches
- **Nuclear abolition and Trade Unions**  
Kirstin Blom - International Confederation of Trade Unions
- **Nuclear abolition and the whole nuclear chain**  
Akira Kawasaki - Peace Boat/ Andreas Nidecker -IPPNW Switzerland

10.30 -10.45 Coffee Break

10.45 -11.45 **WORKSHOPS SESSION II**

*The same 4 workshops will run in two consecutive sessions. To spread participation as widely as possible, please sign up for 2 different workshops.*

### **HOW TO REFINE OUR ARGUMENTS AND BUILD ACTIONS ALONG THESE ARGUMENTS?**

1. Using humanitarian imperatives to mobilize for a nuclear abolition treaty
2. Nuclear weapons a major threat to health and the environment
3. Campaign for nuclear disinvestment
4. Human rights, the costs and opportunity costs of nuclear weapons

11.45 - 12.45 **WORKSHOPS SESSION III**

*The same workshops will be run again, but participants are requested to go to a different workshop from the one they chose in SESSION II*

13.00 - 14.00 Lunch (open)

14.00 - 15.30 **PLENARY I**

### **1. ICAN CAMPAIGN 2011-2012: PROPOSALS FROM THE WORKSHOPS AND THE PARTICIPANTS**

STRATEGY DISCUSSION

15.30 -15.45 Coffee break

15.45 - 17.30 **PLENARY II**

### **2. ICAN CAMPAIGN 2011-2012**

STRATEGY DISCUSSION

**CONCLUSIONS and WAYS FORWARD**

## 19.30 DINNER

Swiss specialties in a Geneva Lake Restaurant "Bains des Paquis"  
( please register by 07/09/2011)



## MONDAY 19 SEPT

*Per generous contribution of the Friedrich Ebert Stiftung (FES) and République et Canton de Genève opened only to registered participants coming from Middle East and Africa and Asia*

**LA PASTORALE**  
106, route de Ferney

### NUCLEAR ABOLITION IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND AFRICA

9.00 - 10.30 Round Table

#### MIDDLE EAST and AFRICAN perspectives on ICAN campaign

Chairs: Corinne Kumar ( El Taller -Tunisia) and Rebecca Johnson (ICAN Vice Chair)

**Welcome speeches:** Representatives of Governments and M. André Klopman Représentant République Canton de Genève.

#### Building a campaign to abolish nuclear weapons in the developing countries:

Robert Mtonga IPPNW Vice President

Hillel Schenker - Co-editor of the Palestine-Israel Journal

Dan Basse (IPPNW Nigeria )

Sharon Dolev (Israeli Disarmament Movement)

Haidy Ghoneim (Egyptian Council for Foreign Affairs)

Derman Boztok (IPPNW Turkey)

### OPEN DISCUSSION

10.30 - 12.00 WORKSHOPS

- **Civil Society input to create conditions for a zone free of WMD in the Middle East - Peace Boat Conference and other initiatives**  
Akira Kawasaki (Peace Boat and ICAN Core Group) - Mona Makhamreh (Masar for Human Development)
- **Linking nuclear disarmament with development**  
Tim Wright (ICAN Australia)
- **Using the Pelindaba Treaty to build momentum in Africa**  
Dr Robert Mtonga (IPPNW Zambia) - Dr Ruku Bilheni (IPPNW DRC)
- **The nuclear chain and its consequences for the developing countries**  
Dr Tilman Ruff ( Chair of ICAN Core Group) - Dr Homsuk Swomen (IPPNW Nigeria) - Haidy Ghoneim (Egyptian Council for Foreign Affairs)

12.00 - 13.30 Lunch

13.30 - 17.00 **Plenary: Build a global nuclear abolition campaign**

Chairs : Dan Basse (IPPNW Nigeria) – Sharon Dolev (Israeli Disarmament Movement)

1. Feedback from the workshops

2. Open discussion: Ways and means to build ICAN networks and stronger regional campaigns for nuclear abolition.

Wrap-up and ways forward