

OUTCOMES OF THE CONFERENCE

CONFERENCES/EVENTS

Nuclear Abolition Day

A global day of action in June 2012 to promote a treaty to ban nuclear weapons

- July 16 – first nuclear explosion (Trinity)
- August 6 and 9 – Hiroshima and Nagasaki Days
- May 20-21 – NATO Summit
- Disarmament Week in October
- ICAN International Working Group to decide

Focus activities on the catastrophic Humanitarian Consequences of nuclear weapons

Engagement with governments and civil society about the catastrophic humanitarian consequences of nuclear weapons.

ICAN Conference in 2012

A gathering of ICAN campaigners from around the world in 2012

- Before the IPPNW Hiroshima Congress (third week of August)
- Conference agreed with Hiroshima proposal

Global Day of Action on Military Spending

A day of action in April 2012 against military spending linked to the Rio+20 Summit

- ICAN focus on nuclear weapons

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Nuclear Fuel Chain Conference in Europe

A conference in France in 2012 to discuss nuclear fuel chain

- ICAN France, IPPNW Germany
- ICAN will support this globally if ICAN France supports it

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'In My Lifetime' Screenings

Help with the distribution and promote the film 'In My Lifetime' as a wonderful educational and campaigning tool. See above. <http://thenuclearworld.org>

Fukushima Conference

Using the Nuclear-Power-Free Conference in Japan, January 2012, to raise awareness about Fukushima

Global Concert

A concert with famous musicians such as U2 to raise public awareness about nuclear dangers

SUB-CAMPAIGNS

Nuclear Divestment

A global working group to promote divestment from nuclear weapons companies / oppose diversion of resources. To know more about this project Contact Tim Wright tim@icanw.org

Bombs No More

Global art initiative involving the transformation of a nuclear bomb into something peaceful .
Already available on ICAN website Contact Tim Wright tim@icanw.org

Public Access to CTBTO Data

A campaign to ensure that CTBTO data on radioactive plumes (e.g. from Fukushima) are released to the public

Criminality of Nuclear Weapons Use

A global effort to recognise that any use of nuclear weapons would constitute a crime.

Petition Campaign

A petition campaign similar to the 'Million Faces' / 'Million Pleas' campaign to engage the public; a campaign to raise awareness about the impossibility of surviving a nuclear war

European Referendum

A referendum in Europe to ban the use of nuclear weapons

RESOURCE-BASED

Manuals – Frequently Asked Questions

Resources for campaigners with frequently asked questions about nuclear weapons, using wiki technology

Campaigners Kit

A kit for campaigners

Contact Daniela Varano: daniela@icanw.org

Nuclear Weapons Exhibition

Promotion of an SGI exhibition on humanitarian consequences (including through local councils)

Uranium Mining in Africa

Campaign resources on uranium mining in Africa, linking it to development aid, along with a speaking tour in Europe by Africans

Nuclear Waste Disposal Watch

A global initiative in relation to nuclear waste disposal

ICAN Application

An application on iPhones and iPads to promote ICAN

Social Media Campaign

Online tools for spreading the word about ICAN

GENERAL/COMMUNICATIONS

Outreach to New Constituencies

Outreach to humanitarian organisations (ICRC, Red Cross societies), development organisations (e.g. Oxfam), faith-based groups and trade unions, professional organisations; sub-strategies for each

Building ICAN Hubs

Providing resources and opportunities for the formation of ICAN groups around the world

Encouraging Parliamentary Engagement

Engaging with parliamentarians including by promoting PNND to recruit 2012 members by 2012

Engaging the Media

To create a working group to make a strategic plan to work with the media

Messaging/Slogans

Efforts to improve messaging and come up with useful slogans globally

ICAN Seminar on Africa and Middle East- Monday 19th

Workshops Outcomes:

1. Civil Society Initiatives in the Middle East for a Nuclear-Weapon-Free World

- Create a regional identity
- Build youth engagement
- Raise public awareness as a basis for trust and dialogue
- Produce resources adaptable to different needs
- Use new media to connect people from different countries
- Organize a day of action in the Middle East (unified actions)
- Emphasize the humanitarian, economic, environmental arguments
- Draw attention to the diversion of resources
- Open an ICAN hub in the Middle East
- Develop recommendations for the facilitator of the Middle East conference
- Offer suggestions for engaging people outside the Middle East
- Ensure that the testimonies of nuclear victims (inc. testing, uranium mining) are heard

2. Using the Pelindaba Treaty to Promote Disarmament in Africa

- Use unity on Pelindaba as a springboard to a nuclear weapons convention
- Promote universalisation of the treaty
- Strengthen security safeguards (protocols to Pelindaba)
- Address the commercial and environmental dimensions (mining, pollution, waste)
- Encourage African unity on disarmament issues (e.g. in the CD, NPT)
- Work with partners – e.g. IPPNW, WCC, UNICEF, UNDP, UNEP, UNIFEM, PNND
- Work with regional associations while recognising national circumstances
- Develop further resources and undertake a mapping exercise
- Identify target groups
- Use influential people to promote the treaty
- Promote parliamentary engagement on disarmament issues
- Find ways to use Pelindaba to mobilize for a nuclear-weapon-free world

3. The Nuclear Chain and Its Consequences for Developing Countries

- Raise awareness about the inherent dangers of uranium mining/nuclear power
- Draw attention to the legacy of nuclear testing in Africa, the South Pacific and elsewhere
- Promote clean-up of all nuclear test sites and provide compensation and care for victims
- Ensure that the stories of the Hibakushas – from the whole chain – are heard
- Debunk myths about nuclear power and uranium mining
- Raise public awareness of the effects of radiation on human health
- Draw links between nuclear weapons and nuclear power and uranium mining
- Ensure that resources are available in several languages
- Raise awareness of the economic dependence that is institutionalized through the nuclear fuel chain
- Draw attention to the problem of fissile materials as the link between civil/military uses of nuclear technology

4. Linking Disarmament and Development

- Raise public awareness about the diversion of public resources to nuclear weapons
- Take part in the global day of action on military spending
- Develop new resources making comparisons between nuclear weapons spending and spending on health, education etc.
- Promote implementation of UN resolution 1540 on disarmament and development
- Draw the link between development and the entire nuclear fuel chain
- Improve our monitoring of nuclear safety and nuclear trade

WAYS FORWARD – Methods, Resources, Events

Resources

- Print ICAN T-shirts
- Simple educational activities (translated)
- A campaigners' kit – where to start
- Ideas for holding actions
- Printed resources as well as online resources (not everyone has internet access)
- New web content (email tim@icanw.org); new regional sites
- Link to government statements on nuclear disarmament (Reaching Critical Will)
- A video to promote a nuclear-weapon-free world in the Middle East

Activities/Events

- Organize Target X demonstrations (simulate the effects of nuclear weapons)
- Soapboxes (presenting views in a public place)
- Conference in the Middle East on the catastrophic humanitarian consequences of the nuclear fuel chain
- Middle East day of action for nuclear abolition

Communications

- Closed Facebook community to discuss ICAN organizing
- In our messaging, attach selfless connotations to 'I' in 'ICAN'
- Use the NING community
- Tailor the message to the national settings
- Message: Arab Spring/Israeli Summer – link to flowers/economy

Methods

- Form a lobby group (e.g. in Geneva) to promote our messages
- Evaluate ICAN activities
- Establish priorities and timelines
- Activities and campaigning tools need to be flexible for use in different countries
- Find funding sources (e.g. foundations in Africa)
- Utilize events organized by other organizations / access new networks
- Provide internship/volunteering opportunities

New ICAN Staff

- Good networkers / able to overcome divisions
- Able to work in a multicultural/multilinguistic environment
- Able to convey arguments convincingly
- Good media skills
- Able to use modern communications tools e.g. social media
- Entrepreneurial/savvy
- Able to organize effective public actions / events
- Scientific/humanitarian background would be helpful
- Locations: Gulf states (possible funding source), Turkey