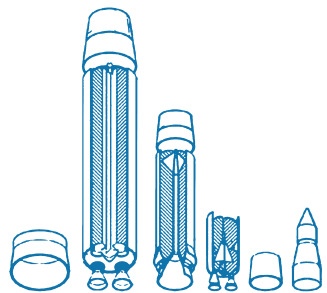


Day 1
Thursday 23rd January

**UMSPANNWERK
KREUZBERG 2014**



BERLIN SESSIONS

**HUMANITARIAN
DISARMAMENT**

10:00 - 12:00

**Brunch,
Registration**

12:00 - 12:15

**Welcome by
conference hosts**
Nosizwe Baqwa (ICAN)
Thomas Nash (Article 36)

12:15 - 12:45

Keynote
The Importance of
Humanitarian Disarmament
Susi Snyder (IKV Pax
Christi)

12:45 - 14:15

Panel I
Indiscriminate effects
of weapons

What are the challenges facing the mitigation of weapons with indiscriminate effects? How can the humanitarian approach to indiscriminate weapons systems have effects in the field, and what is an appropriate policy to counter the use or threat of inhumane weapons systems? Organizations that combine work in the field with advocacy have a unique insight into these questions.

Speakers: **Grethe Østern** (Norwegian Peoples Aid)
Marion Libertucci (Handicap International)
Richard Lennane (UN Office for Disarmament Affairs)
Moderation: **Miriam Struyk** (IKV Pax Christi)

14:15 - 14:45

Break, Snacks & Coffee

14:45 - 15:15

Lightning talk
Nuclear weapons as a global humanitarian problem

Unlike other weapons systems, nuclear weapons have been treated solely as a

matter of abstract strategic politics, allowing the nuclear disarmament discourse within the international system to stagnate. A new and fresh approach is needed that addresses the actual consequences of WMD in line with the priorities of developing countries and the humanitarian agenda.

Jacob Romer (ICAN)

Lightning talk
Explosive weapons in
populated areas

Explosive weapons include improvised explosive devices (IEDs) as well as explosive ordnance such as mortars, rockets, artillery shells and unguided bombs. All of these weapons use blast and fragmentation to kill and injure those exposed. What can civil society do to better understand and more effectively address this problem?
Richard Moyes (Article 36)

15:15 - 16:00

Breakout Group Mingling

16:00 - 17:30

Panel II
Preventing Humanitarian Harm through the construction of international norms and laws

How are humanitarian

disarmament treaties developed? What can we learn from previous treaty making processes and how can civil society work to ensure a successful and effective outcome?

Speakers: **Anna Macdonald** (Oxfam), **Gry Larsen** (former state secretary, Norwegian MFA), **Alexander Kmentt** (Austrian MFA), **Sara Sekkenes** (UNDP)

Moderator: **Torbjørn Graff Hugo** (ILPI)

17:30 - 18:00

Closing Remarks

20:00 EVENING EVENT

On the 23rd of January, ICAN and our partner organizations invite conference participants to an evening reception at the Umspannwerk. The evening will consist of an interview with the celebrated American author **Eric Schlosser** (Fast Food Nation, Command and Control) and a concert by the renowned Berlin-based contemporary composer **Burak Özdemir** and his ensemble **Musica Sequenza**.

Eric Schlosser first found fame after the publication of his book Fast Food Nation, which provoked a debate about the food industry both in the

US and Europe. In his latest book Command and Control, Schlosser investigates the security regime governing the US nuclear arsenal, describing an up until now unknown history of accidents, near-misses and security breaches. At the Umspannwerk, Schlosser will share his thoughts and experiences from his exploration of mankind's darkest creation.

Burak's works unite the classical and the contemporary. Merging forms of classical music with references to contemporary digital music and visual culture, Burak succeeds in creating works that resonate between time. The evening's performance **Transmute** has been specially created for the Berlin Sessions.

The event is open to the public



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Day 2

Friday 24th January

09.30 - 10.00

Opening session

10:00 - 10:30

Lightning talk

Learning from successful campaigns: International Campaign to Ban Landmines

In the 1990s, the International Campaign to Ban Landmines developed an effective model for creating a ban on an indiscriminate weapon, leading to the adoption of the 1997 Mine Ban Treaty. Since then, it has been a driving force behind the implementation of

the treaty through the same combination of research, advocacy and partnership. How can other campaigns and initiatives learn from and build upon these experiences?

Tamar Gabelnick, ICBL

Lightning talk

Emerging technologies and pre-emptive campaigning

Blinking laser technology was banned in 1995, even before it came into use. Since 2013, the Campaign to Stop Killer Robots is working to ban the development and use of fully autonomous weapons before it is too late.

Mary Wareham
(Human Rights Watch)

10:30 - 12:00

Parallel Sessions Part I

Addressing Humanitarian catastrophes

The first parallel sessions will revolve around the theme Addressing Humanitarian Catastrophes. The plenary will be broken into three groups, each with two facilitators. The different groups will discuss the following:

Evidence and Victim Based Approaches

How have the gathering of evidence and victims' perspec-

tives changed humanitarian disarmament campaigns, and how can lessons from past campaigns inform civil society work on both emerging and existing disarmament discourses? Experienced civil society campaigners will partake in the discussion.

Response Capacity

What is an adequate humanitarian response to the use of the different kinds of inhumane and indiscriminate weapons, and to what degree does such a response capacity exist? The discussion will be informed by those with expertise of different weapons systems.

Politics as Prevention

How can international politics help prevent humanitarian catastrophes caused by inhumane weapons? Is there a humanitarian obligation to prevent catastrophes as well as to respond to them?

12:00 - 13:00

Lunch

13:00 - 15:00

Parallel Sessions Part II

Civil Society Strategies

The second parallel sessions will provide a space for

participants to exchange their views on practical aspects of humanitarian disarmament campaigns. While the workshops will be introduced and facilitated by campaigners with expertise in the respective fields, the purpose is for attendees to share experiences and tackle common problems together. Participants can choose two of the following workshops:

13:00 - 14:00

Public events and actions

Public events and actions can galvanize campaigners and increase the profile of a cause, but they can also be tricky to get right. How do we plan and execute public actions that highlight our cause?

Divestment

Divestment occurs when institutions remove financial support from select companies in order to promote certain behavior or policy. Does divestment work to promote humanitarian disarmament?

Working in coalitions

How can coalitions amplify the voices of their members and a plurality of constituents can strengthen the urgency of a cause?

Working with decision-makers

How do we best engage those who shape the policies we aim to influence?

14:00 - 15:00

Choosing the right arena

A campaign that wants to attain political results will need to calculate on which playing field(s) it will focus its energies in order to maximize the probability of success. From multi-lateral fora within and outside the UN to drivers of domestic change, which way to go?

Framing

How do we talk about the problem and our proposed solution in a way that is highly accessible, convincing and maximizes the political impact?

Media outreach

Media relations and media work provides challenges for most civil society organisations, even more so when working in coalitions. How should disarmament messages be framed in order to reach a broader audience?

15:00 - 15:30

Lightning talk

Disarmament and development

Disarmament policies and processes can help to facilitate a decrease in military expenditure, defuse tensions and build trust in international and domestic post-conflict relations, impede rearmament, the development, acquisition and spread of new weapons and ultimately diminish the risk, incidence, and severity of armed conflict. How can disarmament policies feed into the post-2015 development agenda?

David Atwood (Small Arms Survey)

Lightning talk

The next ban process?

A global ban on nuclear weapons is long overdue and with enough public pressure and political leadership, can be achieved in the near future. Mexico hosts the second conference on the Humanitarian Impact of Nuclear Weapons in February 2014. A new humanitarian disarmament process could already be in the making.

Beatrice Fihn (WILPF, ICAN)

15:30 - 16:00

Closing Remarks

(hosts)