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IPB International Events Calendar

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For Disarmament events, go to the comprehensive Disarmament Calendar of UN and other events in key cities by the Geneva Forum at www.geneva-forum.org

January 19-20, IALANA international seminar, San José, Costa Rica

This International Association of Lawyers Against Nuclear Arms (IALANA) seminar, co-hosted with the University of Costa Rica Faculty of Law will be entitled "Abolition of Nuclear Arms, War and Armed Forces". It is a meeting where experts in international law from around the world will explore legal mechanisms to prevent war, resolve international conflicts, abolish nuclear weapons and promote general disarmament. Draft programme and contact details at <http://www.ialana.net/node/22>

January 21-March 28, Conference on Disarmament (CD) - First Session, Geneva

Go to CD website by clicking [here](#).

January 21-26, World Social Forum, Everywhere

The World Social Forum is an open meeting where social movements, networks, NGOs and other Civil Society organizations opposed to neo-liberalism and a world dominated by capital or by any form of imperialism come together to pursue their thinking, to debate ideas democratically, for formulate proposals, share their experiences freely and network for effective action.

The [Global call for action](#) is asking social movements and civil society worldwide to mobilize together in the week culminating on 26 January 2008. Unlike previous editions, WSF2008 will not have any centralized events, but will be composed of thousands of actions around the world, organized by participants themselves.

Further information at <http://www.wsf2008.net>

January 26, The Other Davos, Zürich

The alternative to the World Economic Forum in Davos, organised by the anti-globalisation movement Attac as part of the World Social Forum (see above). <http://www.attac.org/?lang=en>.

January 29-30, International Aid and Trade Expo, Geneva

This event will bring together the global humanitarian relief, aid and development community to embrace the challenge of integrated aid and development. More information at

http://www.aidandtrade.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=343&Itemid=71&sub=1

February 9, Quaker Conference on *Energy, Climate Change and Conflict*, Leicester, UK

The relation between climate change, unequal distribution of energy and wealth around the world, and conflict is being recognised. This conference will be an opportunity for Quakers to address the following questions: are we part of the problem? Is there a solution? What can Quakers do? More at <http://leicester.quaker.eu.org/qcea.htm>

February 11-29, International Winter Peacebuilding Academy, Cluj-Napoca, Romania

The international peace and development training centre proposes three five-day training courses for policy makers and practitioners. Gender and Peacebuilding from 11th to 15th, from Conflicts to Peace Processes from 18th to 22nd, and Designing Peacebuilding Programs from 25th 29th. Program, contacts and registrations at <http://www.patrir.ro/training/>

February 16-17, Global Summit for a Nuclear Weapon-Free World, London

The Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament (CND) is celebrating its 50 year anniversary by arranging a meeting on nuclear issues, especially the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN). More information to come <http://www.cnduk.org/pages/diary.html>

February 18-22, International Conference on Cluster Munitions, Wellington, New Zealand

A conference with participants from more than 100 governments and civil society experts in the removal of cluster munitions, victim assistance and advocacy. Civil society registration has just opened and application deadline is 8th December. Go to <http://www.stopclusterbombs.org.nz/the-conference/>

March 5-6, International Women's Day disarmament seminar, Geneva

The title of the seminar is *At What Cost? Wars, Weapons and Conflict Prevention*. It is co-sponsored by WILPF and the Geneva Forum. For more information go to <http://www.wilpf.int.ch/events/2008IWDseminar.html>

March 7-11, International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War 18th World Congress, Delhi, India

Held for the first time in South Asia, this year's Congress theme will be Peace, Health and Development. Go to <http://www.ippnw2008.org/>

March 15-22, Worldwide Anti-War protests in behalf of the anniversary of the Iraq invasion

As decided at the World Against War Conference organized by the Stop The War Coalition UK, various protests will take place worldwide. Check their website for further information <http://www.stopwar.org.uk/>

March 28-29, 2nd Peace History Conference, London

IPB and the Movement for Abolition of War are organising a second Peace History Conference following the April 2007 success. More information coming soon: <http://www.abolishwar.org.uk/home.shtml> and www.ipb.org.

April 7-18, OPCW 2nd review Conference, The Hague, Netherlands

The Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) has been operating for 10 years. It is a watchdog organisation that implements the Chemical Weapons Convention (CCW). More at <http://www.opcw.org/>

April 28 - May 9, NPT Second Preparatory Committee for the 2010 Review Conference, Geneva

The next Preparatory Committee (PrepCom) for the Review Conference of the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT) 2010. For side meetings, newsletter, registration, information etc., go to <http://www.reachingcriticalwill.org/legal/npt/2008index.html>

April 28, IPB MEETING 'NUCLEAR WEAPONS: AT WHAT PRICE? AN ECONOMIC, MORAL AND POLITICAL ASSESSMENT', Geneva

This meeting at NPT PrepComm (see above) will be organized together with the World Council of Churches. Speakers will include: Stephen Schwartz, co-author of *Atomic Audit*, a comprehensive report on the costs of the US nuclear weapons programme, published by Brookings Institute, USA. The meeting will be open to diplomats, NGOs, journalists, researchers, students etc. Location to be announced.

May 4-6, Article 9 global conference, Tokyo

This conference will bring together Nobel Peace Laureates, intellectuals, cultural figures and NGO activists to discuss disarmament and global peace making.

<http://www.article-9.org/en/conference/index.html>

May 9-11, 3rd Rally for International Disarmament in Saintes, France

Action des Citoyens pour le Désarmement Nucléaire invites you to a rally for 'International Disarmament - Nuclear, Biological and Chemical'. [More...](#)

May 12-June 27, Conference on Disarmament (CD) - Second Session, Geneva

Go to CD website by clicking [here](#).

May 30 - June 1, 3rd International Salon for Peace Initiatives, Paris

French and international exhibitors will present their peace and non-violence initiatives that will highlight the numerous dimensions of peace . More <http://www.decennie.org/documents/Salon3/en/presentation.html>

June 6-8, European Network Against Arms Trade, Oslo

More information to come soon

July 7-9, G8 Summit, Hokkaido Toyako, Japan

The G8 represent about 65% of the world global economy and the majority of global military power. This will be their 34th annual heads of governments meeting. More at

<http://www.mofa.go.jp/policy/economy/summit/2008/index.html>

July 8-12 September, Conference on Disarmament (CD) - third session, Geneva

Go to CD website by clicking [here](#).

July 14-18, UN Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat, and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons: Biennial Meeting of States, New York

July 15-19, International Peace Research Association Global Conference 2008, Leuven, Belgium

Held every two years, the conference gathers peace researchers from around the world to exchange ideas and experiences, to initiate joint projects and develop new avenues for research. This year's meeting will concentrate on the crucial links between sustainable development and peace building. Deadline for proposal submissions is 15th February. Go to

<http://www.ipra2008.org/>

July 28-4 August, International Institute on Peace Education (IIPE) 2008, Haifa, Israel

This years IIPE conference will be entitled "Critical Pedagogy: educating for Peace and Justice". More than a conference, it is a multicultural, participative and interactive learning community. This years IIPE will try to examine the complexity of peace education issues in an unequal world. Read more and register (before March 1st) at

<http://www.tc.edu/PeaceEd/IIPE/>

August 6-9, Hiroshima and Nagasaki World Conferences against Atomic and Hydrogen Bombs

More information to come soon

September 18-21, 5th European Social Forum, Malmö, Sweden

Four days of workshops, seminars, debates, manifestations, films, music, arts etc. to build a more sustainable, democratic and equitable society.

<http://www.esf2008.org/en/>

September 21, International Day of Peace

www.peaceonday.org

September 29-3 October, International Atomic Energy Agency General Conference, Vienna, Austria

<http://www.iaea.org/>

November 10-14, Meetings of States Parties to the Convention on Certain Conventional Weapons (CCW), Geneva, Switzerland

Go to CCW website by clicking [here](#).

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