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## IPB International Events Calendar 24<sup>th</sup> April 2008

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### Other Calendars

For disarmament events, go to the comprehensive **Disarmament Calendars** covering UN/intergovernmental and grassroots/civil society events, visit Geneva Forum at [www.geneva-forum.org](http://www.geneva-forum.org) and Reaching Critical Will at <http://www.reachingcriticalwill.org/resources/disarmcal08.html>

For country-specific calendars, see;

UK; <http://www.networkforpeace.org.uk/events.htm#Oct> and [http://www.museumsforpeace.org/conferences\\_museums\\_for\\_peace.htm](http://www.museumsforpeace.org/conferences_museums_for_peace.htm).

### IPB Calendar

**February 27- July 27, Exhibition - IN-SECURITY: The nuclear dilemma, Geneva**

Museum of the Red Cross and Red Crescent, Geneva. Open from 10:00 to 17:00, except Tuesday - admission free. <http://www.nucleardilemma.org/>

**April 7-25, UN Disarmament Commission, New York**

More at <http://disarmament.un.org/undiscom.htm> and <http://www.reachingcriticalwill.org/political/dc/dcindex.html>

**April 25-May 4, NPT youth-study and action trip to Geneva**

Programme will include: workshops, public actions, discussions, lobbying, a speech to the official conference and a model negotiation session (May 3). <http://www.bang-europe.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 Institution, USA), Marie

Dennis (Pax Christi) and South African Ambassador Abdul Minty. The meeting will be open to diplomats, NGOs, journalists, researchers, students etc. Location: NGO Room at 15h-18h. Click [here](#) for flyer.

#### **April 29, Why should nuclear weapons be abolished?, Geneva**

“Round table” with four speakers and chairperson discussing the need to abolish nuclear weapons. Organised as part of the presentation and of the exhibition *In-Security, The Nuclear Dilemma* and the United Nations Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT) Review Conference Preparatory Committee meeting. Free entrance, in English. Find more information at: [www.micr.org](http://www.micr.org) and [www.nucleardilemma.org](http://www.nucleardilemma.org).

#### **April 30, panel discussion at the World Council of Churches during the UN Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty Preparatory Committee, Geneva**

**Engaging Youth to End the Danger:** An inter-generational debate on the costs and dangers of keeping nuclear weapons -- economic, political, moral and religious; for people old enough to remember what nuclear weapons do and people young enough to see them abolished.

30 April 2008, 18:00-20:00 -- Ecumenical Center, 150, Rte de Ferney, Grand Saconnex Refreshments at 18:00; Panel and debate at 18:30  
For more information, [click here](#).

#### **April 30, Preventing a new nuclear arms race: opposing Trident replacement and the US Missile Defence system**

The meeting hosted by the Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament (UK), and will take place in the NGO Room, from 3:00 to 6:00pm. Find more information on [www.reachingcriticalwill.org](http://www.reachingcriticalwill.org).

#### **1 May, World Court Project to Abolish Nuclear Weapons, Geneva - Day conference on possible return to the ICJ**

With a focus on the theme of good faith, the conference will examine the obligation to achieve the global abolition of nuclear weapons contained in the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty and rooted in humanitarian and other international law. Speakers include World Court Judge Bedjaoui. <http://lcnp.org/wcourt/Conf-Poster.pdf>

#### **May 4-6, Article 9 global conference, Tokyo**

This major international 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, 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 24, International Women's Day for Peace and Disarmament, The Netherlands**

Every day thousands of women in war zones worldwide work hard for peace. We don't know them, we don't hear about them through the media, but they continue their struggle. Even with the little financial support they get they achieve incredible results: what would the world look like if they were to receive more money? For more information regarding registration and schedule, please visit <http://www.ifor.org/WPP/>.

### **30, 31 May and 1st June, 3rd International Salon for Peace Initiatives, Paris**

The 3rd International Salon for Peace Initiatives is organized in the framework of the "International Decade for the Promotion of a Culture of Peace and Non-Violence for the Children of the World (2001-2010)" declared by the UN in 1998. [www.salon-initiativesdepaix.org](http://www.salon-initiativesdepaix.org). See also <http://www.decennie.org/documents/Salon3/en/presentation.html>.

### **June 2-9, Global week of action against gun violence**

This week of action, the highlight of the Control Arms campaign, is an opportunity for activists around the world to raise awareness, campaign for better gun laws and push for stronger regulation of the international arms trade. More at <http://www.controlarms.org/>

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

ENAAAT website at <http://www.enaat.org/>

### **June 25-28, The Culture of Reconstruction: Interdisciplinary Perspectives on the Aftermath of Crisis, Cambridge, UK**

Organized by the Cambridge University Post-conflict and Post-crisis Group, this 'solution oriented' conference will bring together professionals working on post-conflict and post-crisis scenarios to exchange perspectives and experiences. More information about the conference and submission guidelines at <http://www.crassh.cam.ac.uk/events/2007-8/postconflict.html>

### **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 34<sup>th</sup> annual heads of governments meeting. More at <http://www.mofa.go.jp/policy/economy/summit/2008/index.html>

### **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 (BMS), New York**

This is the major 2008 global event on small arms. Government will report on their implementation of the Program of Action (PA) and share information and ideas with civil society to make plans for the next two years. The [International Action Network on Small Arms](#) is the official coordinator of civil society engagement in the BMS.

**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. Go to <http://www.ipra2008.org/>.

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

This year's IIPE conference is entitled "Critical Pedagogy: educating for Peace and Justice". More than a conference, it is a multicultural, participative and interactive learning community. This year's IIPE will examine the complexity of peace education issues in an unequal world. Read more at <http://www.tc.edu/PeaceEd/IIPE/> .

**July 28-12 September, Conference on Disarmament (CD) - third session, Geneva**

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

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

Go to [IPB website](#) for more information.

**September 3-9, European Science Foundation and Linköping University Conference, Imaging War: Intergenerational Perspectives, Vadstena, Sweden**

Closing date for applications, as well as for abstracts: 11.06.2008. Further information: <http://www.esf.org/activities/esf-conferences/details/confdetail258.html?conf=258&year=2008>

**September 18-21, 5<sup>th</sup> European Social Forum at 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/>. For Peace Programmes go to <http://europeanpeaceaction.org/>

**September 21, International Day of Peace**

[www.peaceday.org](http://www.peaceday.org)

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

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

**October 13-17, Seventh Asia-Europe People's Forum, Beijing, China**

The Asia-Europe People's Forum is an inter-regional network of civil society and social movements across Asia and Europe. See more on the [aepf website](#).

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

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

**November 14-15-16, IPB's annual seminar and council meeting, Copenhagen, Denmark (to be confirmed)**

The main themes will include militarism - terrorism - human rights.

2008 marks the centenary of the Nobel Peace Prize awarded in 1908 to IPB's first President, the Dane Fredrik Bajer, himself an activist in the field of militarism and human rights (prize shared with Klas Pontus Arnoldson, founder of the Swedish Peace and Arbitration Society).

**January 2009, World Social Forum, Belém, Brazil**

During World Social Forum's International Council meeting, held in Berlin, Germany, at the end of May, it was decided the next world event will take place in January 2009, in Amazon region.

[http://www.forumsocialmundial.org.br/noticias\\_01.php?cd\\_news=2383&cd\\_language=2](http://www.forumsocialmundial.org.br/noticias_01.php?cd_news=2383&cd_language=2)

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