

## IPB Campaign Common Security Discussion Proposal and Motion to the IPB Council in Ghent

The IPB Common Security 2022 report, developed and presented with others was great. We were also instrumental in the initial steps to publicize this report through a variety of events and informational emails. Furthermore, we instrumental in translating it into four widely spoken languages. The reactions are diverse and positive – but the war in Ukraine and the confrontation between NATO and Russia and the USA and China, not to mention the climate emergency and the range of other wars, conflicts and injustices, remain.

So, there are many reasons to continue and perpetuate our work. We are happy to cooperate with old and new partners. Therefore, we propose that IPB as an organization establishes a **project on "Common Security"** as a field of work. The working group should include the IPB member organizations in their work.

So far Joseph Gerson and Reiner Braun have agreed to lead this working group. We look forward to engaging other partners within IPB and others as described below.

### What activities can we imagine:

1. A newsletter with current information on Common Security – analyses, proposals, and initiatives
2. Further regional broadening through events and webinars
3. Webinars to discuss current and controversial topics:
  - a. Human security and common security: similarities, differences, and tensions
  - b. Regional common security discussions, including a special review on China's common security policy
  - c. Are negotiations with authoritarian regimes possible at all?
4. Development of education material for common security
5. Concretization of the report for different war and crisis regions (regionalization); this is a key future challenge
6. Elaboration of a position paper on CS and climate justice
7. Development of a regional international network of CS interested parties and experts with the aim of regular information and discussion exchange

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8. Intensification of the dissemination of the CS report to international and national institutions
9. Participation in events to broaden CS thinking:
  - a. With partners
  - b. At planned IPB events (such as Korea 70th anniversary ceasefire, 2025 Helsinki process, next IPB World Congress).
10. Consideration should be given to the development of an international advisory board on CS

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