



Global support and political will for the OEWG and nuclear disarmament

OEWG lunchtime side event (incl. sandwiches)
Thursday May 12, 13:15–14:45
Council Chamber, Building C, UN Geneva

Measures to 'fill the legal gap' and achieve a nuclear-weapon-free world will require public support and political will in order to be negotiated and adopted. This side event will highlight examples and indications of support for nuclear abolition from around the world, and ideas for strengthening global campaigns. The event will include short presentations followed by interventions from the floor.

Chair: H.E. Maria Fernanda Espinosa, Permanent Representative of Ecuador to the United Nations

Opening Remarks: Michael Møller, Director-General of the United Nations Office at Geneva, Secretary-General of the Conference on Disarmament

Introduction: Alyn Ware (New Zealand), UNFOLD ZERO Co-founder, PNND Global Coordinator

Speakers:

Bernard Norlain (France), Air Force General (ret), Honorary Chairman National Defense Committee, Vice-President of Initiatives for Nuclear Disarmament, member of Global Zero

Heather Wokush (Austria), #LetsTalkNukes

Thore Vestby (Norway), Vice-President, Mayors for Peace

Vinay Nayak (UK/USA), Youth outreach coordinator for the 2012 Obama re-election campaign

Alexandra Arce von Herold (Costa Rica), Youth Summit on Nuclear Abolition, PNND Central America Coordinator

Light lunch provided – sandwiches and drinks

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