

**No to NATO – No to War
International Conference
Strasbourg
3rd and 5th April, 2009**

3rd April, 2009

10:00-13:00

60 Years of NATO – 60 Years of Threats to World Peace

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60 Years of NATO Are More Than Enough

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Anti-War Assembly

In April NATO will celebrate its 60th anniversary in Strasbourg and Baden-Baden. NATO intends to approve a new concept which will sustain the unjust world order. This concept has the aim of guaranteeing unlimited access to all resources in the world through military power.

NATO is an obstacle to a just and peaceful world. At the beginning of April, peace and anti-globalization movements, left organisations, trade unions, and student organisations will protest against NATO's aggressive military and nuclear policies, and assert the vision of a just world, free of war. The activities during the anti-NATO protest will include an international village of resistance from Wednesday 1st April to Sunday 5th April, direct action and civil disobedience, a demonstration on Saturday 4th April 2009, and an international conference on Friday 3rd and Sunday 5th April,

The international conference will be the opportunity to analyse NATO politics and strategies and discuss alternatives to NATO. It will also provide a space for the peace movement to prepare long term actions.

Registration

For conference registration please contact registration@ialana.de

The conference is organized by activists for activists, we ask you to support our conference.

Voluntary conference fee: 10 €

For stall registration please contact: kongress@ialana.de

Stall fee: 10 € per 2 m table per day

Venue

Centre Sportif Lixenbuhl

24, Rue Lixenbuhl

67400 Illkirch-Graffenstaden

France

3rd April, 2009

10:00-13:00

60 Years of NATO – 60 Years of Threats to World Peace

A critical appraisal of NATO and the development of NATO strategies

Welcome:

Lysiane Rollet and Reiner Braun

Speakers:

Phyllis Bennis, USA

Tariq Ali, Pakistan/UK

Jan Tamas, Czech Republic

Noam Chomsky, USA

Sophie Zafari, France

Moderation:

Hannelore Tölke, Germany

13:00-15:00

Workshops 1

Title	Organisation	
Resistance to the Military, Resistance in the Military Anti-recruitment, conscientious objectors and deserters in Europe and resistance by soldiers on active-duty in the military	War Resisters International, War Resisters League, Deutsche Friedensgesellschaft – Vereinigte KriegsdienstgegnerInnen	1C1
Resistance in the Middle East Bringing together anti-war activists from the west with those opposing imperialism in the region Israel and NATO Which strategy in Palestine and in the Middle East?	Stop the War Coalition; NAP	1C2
NATO = Security? Gender Question Militarization in EU and NATO countries adds to human insecurity and imposes heavy costs on women and on everyday life	Women's International League for Peace and Freedom; Women in Black against War; Women and Life on Earth, Germany	1V3

<p>Reviewing NATO Nuclear Strategy - No Nukes Are Good Nukes</p> <p>Different influences on the nuclear doctrines of the US and UK, strategic review and how it is likely to proceed, with a view to exerting our own influence on it as NGOs.</p>	IPPNW, CND, INES and IALANA	1V2
<p>60 Years of NATO Strategy</p> <p>Continuity and change</p>	Bundesausschuss Friedensratschlag, Germany	1V1
<p>NATO, Russia and the Enlargement to the East</p> <p>Round Table with speakers from Russia, Ukraine, Georgia and Armenia</p>	Rosa-Luxemburg-Stiftung, Deutscher Friedensrat, Peace Committee of Georgia, Armenian Association for Peace and Friendship, Deutsche Friedensgesellschaft – Vereinigte KriegsdienstgegnerInnen	1R
<p>NATO, European Union and the Lisbon Treaty</p>	Informationsstelle Militarisierung, Germany; CAEUC, Ireland; Parti de Gauche, France; European Left	1B

15:30-17:30

Workshops 2

Title	Organisation	
<p>Ecology and War</p> <p>Environmental problems as a reason for war and the impact of war on the environment</p>	Grüne Jugend, Germany	2C1
<p>Saying No to War and Occupation</p> <p>Soldiers from NATO countries will describe the day-to-day realities of occupation in Iraq and Afghanistan</p>	Americans Against the War, France; Iraq Veterans Against the War, Europe	2C2
<p>Globalisation, Crisis and NATO</p>	Die Linke SDS; Rosa Luxemburg Stiftung, Germany	2V3
<p>NATO in East and Anti-Missile Defence</p>	Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament, UK	2V2
<p>Responsibility to Protect</p> <p>A new justification for war deployments</p>	Fellowship of Reconciliation, Germany	2V1
<p>Collective Security versus NATO</p> <p>New architecture of safety worldwide</p>	Kooperation für den Frieden, Germany; International Peace Bureau	2R

<p>The NATO Bombing of Yugoslavia 1999</p> <p>A precedent for the global imperialist role of NATO</p>	<p>World Peace Council, Deutscher Friedensrat, Portuguese Council for Peace and Cooperation, European Peace Forum, Greek Committee for International Peace and Détente, Czech Peace Movement, Turkish Peace Association, Cyprus Peace Council, Canadian Peace Congress, US Peace Council</p>	<p>2B</p>
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18:00-20:00

Workshops 3

Title	Organisation	
<p>The NATO Bombing of Yugoslavia 1999</p> <p>A precedent for the global imperialist role of NATO</p> <p>(Continued!)</p>	<p>World Peace Council, Deutscher Friedensrat, Portuguese Council for Peace and Cooperation, European Peace Forum, Greek Committee for International Peace and Détente, Czech Peace Movement, Turkish Peace Association, Cyprus Peace Council, Canadian Peace Congress, US Peace Council</p>	<p>3B</p>
<p>NATO and the Protection of the Security of Energy Resources of the Member Countries</p>	<p>Surveillance OTAN</p>	<p>3C1</p>
<p>Capitalist Crises, NATO Strategies and the Revolutionary Struggle against Imperialism</p>	<p>Gruppe Arbeitermacht</p>	<p>3C2</p>
<p>NATO's War in Afghanistan</p> <p>Why is Afghanistan so important for NATO? A peace and women's rights' activist from Afghanistan will introduce the workshop together with activists from Europe</p>	<p>Bundesausschuss Friedensratschlag, Germany; Justicia i Pau Barcelona; Stop the War Barcelona; Die Linke BAG Frieden und Internationale Politik, Germany</p>	<p>3V1</p>
<p>Lobbying of Armies in Schools</p> <p>Militaries using and supporting research results in public universities</p>	<p>European Network of Democratic Young Left, Linksjugend [solid]; Mouvement des Jeunes Communistes; Mlodzi Socialisti</p>	<p>3V2</p>
<p>Bye Bye NATO Bases</p> <p>How to get rid of them: from referendums to civil disobedience, and much more</p>	<p>International No Bases Network, Netzwerk gegen Militärbasen und ihre Auswirkungen, Germany, Japanese Peace Committee, Stop the War Coalition, Greece</p>	<p>3V3</p>
<p>Nuclear Madness</p> <p>Nuclear phase-out or nuclear rebuild</p>	<p>IPPNW; Die Linke, Germany</p>	<p>3R</p>

Workshop speakers among others:

Malalai Joya, Afghanistan; Peter Strutynski, Germany; Andreas Buro, Germany; Colin Archer, UK; Tobias Pflüger, Germany; Socorro Gomes, Brazil; Athanasios Pafilis, Greece; Zivadin Jovanovic, Serbia; Stephen Funk, USA; Camilo Mejia, USA; Tadaaki Kawata, Japan; Petros Constantinou, Greece; Hans Lammerant, Belgium; Inge Höger, Germany; Rashid Alimow, Russia; Pavel Klimenko, Ukraine; Paul Schäfer, Germany; Chris Capps, USA; Zack Baddorf, USA; Steve McLaughlin, UK; Christian Neumann, Germany; Ullrich Hahn, Germany; Akel Taqz, Palestine; Alfred Marder, USA; Matthis Chiroux, USA

Workshop times and spaces:

Times: 1 = 13:00-15:00, 2 = 15:30-17:30, 3 = 18:00-20:00

Spaces: V1 = Salle verte 1, V2 = Salle verte 2, V3 = Salle verte 3, R = Restaurant, B = Salle bleue, C1 = Chapiteau/Zelt/Tent 1, C2 = Chapiteau/Zelt/Tent 2

Example: Workshop 1V1 is at 13:00-15:00 in Salle verte 1

5th April, 2009

10:00-12:00

60 Years of NATO Are More Than Enough

Abolish NATO, for a just world without wars

A summary of the discussions on Friday and a debate on different approaches to "a world without NATO"

Jean Ziegler, Switzerland invited

Maj Britt Theorin, Sweden invited

Lidia Menapace, Italy

Joseph Gerson, USA

12:30-14:00

Overcoming NATO

Challenges for Policy and the Peace Movement

The relationship between political parties and social movements

Political Parties:

Jeremy Corbyn, UK Labour Party

Oskar Lafontaine, Germany Die Linke requested

NN, France

Peace and Social Movements:

Arielle Denis, France

NN Interventionist Left

Jordi Calvo, Spain

Moderation:

Kate Hudson, UK

Tobias Pflüger, Germany

14:30-16:00

Anti-War Assembly

All activists are invited to share experiences, present the results of their seminar, consult with one another about future activities and to plan campaigns for a just world without NATO.

A coordinating group will prepare the Anti-War Assembly. Please send your proposals, ideas and requests to the coordinating group to hr.braun@gmx.de.