



Bonn International Center for Conversion (BICC)
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Symposium

“Peace on earth? – Initiatives for disarmament, non-violence and dialogue”

Cluster event in the framework of the
30th anniversary conference of the Right Livelihood Award (“Alternative Nobel
Prize”) “CHANGINGcourse–reclaiming our future,” Bonn

16 September 2010, 10:00–17:00 hrs

Uni Club Bonn, Konviktstr. 9, 53113 Bonn

Program
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About the symposium

From 14 to 19 September 2010 the anniversary conference of the Right Livelihood Award ("Alternative Nobel Prize") will take place in Bonn. The title of this meeting of Alternative Nobel Laureates from the past 30 years is "CHANGINGcourse–reclaiming our future".

During the conference, the Laureates will have the opportunity to network, to form new alliances to strengthen their work, to exchange experience, knowledge, the insights from successes and failures. Having become a tradition, these "family gatherings" are an important aspect of the Right Livelihood Award Foundation's work to continuously support its Recipients. On 16 September, Cluster events in Bonn are organized not only to exchange knowledge with local and international institutions and activists but also to discuss future scenarios for change.

Aim of the Cluster Event "Peace on earth?" is the implementation of dialogue and networking between international and national peace and conflict researchers on the one hand and Laureates of the Right Livelihood Award (RLA) on the other in order to find a basis for common activities in the future.

Program

- 09:30 – 10:00 Registration
- 10:00 – 10:10 Welcome by Peter J. Croll, (Director BICC)
- 10:10 – 11:15 Panel 1
- On the way to global zero–where are we now?
- Dr. Sverre Lodgaard (former Director of the Norwegian Institute of International Affairs, Norway),
 - Christopher Weeramantry (Laureate RLA, Sri Lanka),
 - Jerry Sommer (BICC, Germany, moderator)
- Questions to be discussed:
- Are nuclear weapons illegal?
 - Most urgent concrete steps to be taken on the way to "Global Zero"?
- 11:15 – 11:30 Coffee break
- 11:30 – 12:30 Panel 2
- Ethnic conflicts–solutions from theory and practical experience
- Dekha Ibrahim Abdi (Laureate RLA, Kenya),
 - Dr. Michael Ashkenazi (BICC, Great Britain),
 - Dr. Jochen Hippler (Institute for Development and Peace (INEF), Germany, moderator)
- Questions to be discussed:
- What makes a conflict "ethnic"? (in contrast to other conflicts)?
 - What does traditional conflict resolution mean? Which potential for conflict resolution does it possess? Which role do gender, religious and cultural aspects play?
 - Cooperation of state and non-state actors?
- 12:30 – 13:45 Lunch
- 13:45 – 15:00 Panel 3

Victims of war—a challenge for post war reconciliation

- Katharina Kruhonja (Laureate RLA, Croatia),
- Theo van Boven (Laureate RLA, The Netherlands),
- Susanne Kjær (on behalf of Dr. Inge Genefke, Laureate RLA, Denmark)
- Andrea Warnecke (BICC, Germany, moderator)

Questions to be discussed:

- Social, political, economic and cultural conditions, various approaches to conflict transformation and consolidation measures to engage in sustainable "peacebuilding" with the aim of establishing viable peace structures?
- Implementation of reconciliation processes—what is the relationship between legal and psycho-social rehabilitation?
- How to meet psycho-social consequences of violent conflicts (especially gender violence) both on the individual and social level?

15:00 – 15.30 Coffee break

15.30 – 16:45 Panel 4

Resource management in a fairer world

- Rene Ngongo (Laureate RLA, DRC),
- Mauricio Hernandez, Asociación de Trabajadores Campesinos del Carare (ATCC), (Laureate RLA, Colombia),
- Wolf-Christian Paes (BICC, Germany, moderator)

Questions to be discussed:

- What does "resource curse" mean on a local level?
- The responsibility of various actors (governments, producers, international private companies, consumers).
- Ideas and proposals to establish a fairer governance regime for resource management.

16:45 – 17:00 Wrap-up session

Response (Please register by 9 September 2010)

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