Peace as a precondition for welfare and sustainable development

Seminar in the Big Hall Friday 14th of July 13.30 -15.30

The purpose of this seminar is to develop cooperation between Nordic decision-makers and peace organizations from civil society on the development of Nordic peace policy - as a prerequisite for welfare and sustainable development.

Program:

Welcome and introduction by moderator, Hasse Schneidermann

Introduction of Nordic Peace - "Norden - en kraft for fred!"

Presentation, basis, experiences and challenges By Representative from the Icelandic Presidency of the Nordic Council of Ministers

Introduction of sustainable peace and security policy

Approaches to a sustainable security policy – a necessary consideration By Steen Folke "Nej til oprustning – Ja til bæredygtig sikkerhed"

Short break

Dialogue between presenters and audience on Nordic Peace

Closing of Seminar			

The Nordic countries and NATO – a challenge facing the peace movement

Seminar in the Big Hall Friday 14th of July 16.00 -18.00

In this seminar, we intend to share analyses of the present situation in our four Nordic countries, with respect especially to our different relations to NATO, in order to develop our cooperation. What views and ideas unite us in the peace movement? What issues are difficult for us and perhaps divisive? Which are the promising paths to a sustainable peace in the Nordic area as well as the globe? What would you expect from our Peace Alliance? In what way can we benefit from cooperation in the Nordic countries? Specifically, we will include considerations on the issues of nuclear weapons, foreign bases and "special zones" as well as paths towards reclaiming the Nordic region as a nuclear free, neutral zone.

Welcome and introduction by moderator Thomas Wallgren, Finland

The present situation in the Nordic countries

Panel with representatives from peace organisations in Denmark (Tove Jensen), Finland (Gashew "Kaisa" Bibani), Norway (Kristine Mollø-Christensen), and Sweden (Eva Jonson)

The Baltic Sea and demilitarisation

By Sia Spiliopoulou Åkermark , The Åland Islands Peace Institute i

Problems caused by military activities in Sápni lands By NN, the Sápmi lands.

Dialogue between presenters, panel and audience

Closing of Seminar

Alternatives to war: If you want peace, prepare for peace Seminar in the Big Hall Saturday 15th of July 09.00-11.00

Program:

Welcome and introduction: How do we prepare for peace?

By moderator Liss Schanke, Norway

Alternatives to conflict and war

By Ingeborg Breines, Norway

Important peace theories

By Karin Utas Carlsson, Sweden

Short break

The importance of Peace Education

By NN, Finland

The role of a Ministry of Peace

By Hasse Schneidermann, Denmark

Dialogue between presenters and audience

Closing of seminar

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The war in Ukraine. Experience, alternatives and solutions

Seminar in the Big Hall Saturday 15th of July 13.30 - 15.30

Program:

Welcome and introduction by moderator, Ida Harsløf

The mutual escalation and the danger of nuclear war

By Tarja Cronberg, Finnish Peace Federation and SIPRI

The consequences of prolonged war and option for conflict resolution.

By Klaus Krogsbæk, Forbyd Atomyåben – ICAN in Denmark

After the war - the peace and the common security policy

By representative from the Olof Palme International Center, Stockholm, Sweden

Short Break

Dialogue between presenters and audience on what we can do, how we can work together to Stop the war, via ceasefire and negotiation and in the longer term develop a Nordic sustainable peace and security policy. (Be aware that several major European peace organizations and networks are launching campaigns with the same goal)

Adoption of a joint statement addressed to the Nordic Council and the Council of Ministers

Closing of seminar