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Sustainable Disarmament for Sustainable Development



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Nobel Peace Prize 1910

International Peace Bureau - For a World Without War

What is the IPB?

The IPB is the oldest and most comprehensive international peace federation, born in 1891. Its overall aim is to advance the idea of a world without war. Our organisation received the Nobel Prize for Peace in 1910, and **13 of our leading members** have equally been honoured with this distinction, which is a record. At present the **IPB brings together 282 member organisations in 72 countries**, as well as many individual members.

The IPB links groups that work in the fields of peace and disarmament as well on the regional and international level: specialist peace groups and also women's organisations, youth groups, trade unions and professional bodies.

The IPB has a democratic structure that comprises an Assembly and a Council of its elected representatives (one man + one woman from each of 11 regions).

The role of the IPB is to consolidate efforts made by different groups across the globe that work for disarmament, nonviolent conflict resolution and the culture of peace.

At present the main programme developed by the IPB is entitled "Disarmament for Development" which aims to build a worldwide network around questions of military spending and the impact of weapons on sustainable development.

Campaign support

In recent years IPB has supported the development of many networks and projects, particularly:

- Abolition 2000: a global network to eliminate nuclear weapons
- European Network Against Arms Trade
- International Campaign to Ban Landmines
- International Action Network on Small Arms
- International Women's Day for Peace and Disarmament (May 24th)

Our tasks, responsibilities and services

The IPB:

- is a central bureau for peace information.
- unites activists across borders and in multiple domains.
- has United Nations consultative status.
- organises conferences, seminars, consultations.
- publishes books and documents on a range of peace issues.
- is a platform for declarations and collective actions.
- introduces a movement perspective to peace and disarmament work at the UN, other international agencies and in the media.
- awards every year the Sean MacBride Peace Prize
- Council members have the right to propose candidates for the Nobel Peace Prize

DISARMAMENT FOR DEVELOPMENT

Why?

To invest in development makes no sense if we forget the **\$ 1000+ billion spent annually on the military** at the global level. In any case, as Iraq shows us, international security crises and terrorism will not be resolved by increasing military budgets – and weapons themselves damage development efforts. To achieve the Millennium Development Goals we must put pressure on governments to choose different priorities.

With whom?

- development agencies
- peace workers
- politicians
- economists
- religious, trade union, youth groups...

How?

- set up a coordination – work with others
- put pressure on decision makers
- influence public opinion
- stimulate media interest

PROGRAMME ACTIVITIES

The International Peace Bureau encourages the development of **coalitions and national networks**. To this end we organise, together with our local partners, meetings on the topic: *Sustainable Disarmament for Sustainable Development*. In 2005-6 we organised events in places such as London, Paris, Geneva and Helsinki. In 2007 we are raising our campaign issues at the World Social Forum in Nairobi, at the UN Committee for the Rights of the Child (Geneva) and elsewhere. This year will see the 20th anniversary of the 1987 UN Conference on Disarmament and Development, held in New York. In addition, IPB is publishing **campaign materials**, exhibitions and a film, which make the case for a radically different set of priorities.

- **Warfare or Welfare? Disarmament for Development in the 21st Century** (100pp, 2005, from Secretariat or on website)
- **Different Priorities – an International Campaign Manual**, forthcoming.