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# WORLD CONFERENCE

## Abolish Nuclear Weapons; Resist and Reverse the Climate Crisis; For Social and Economic Justice

April 24-26, 2020

New York City - Riverside Church



**LOCATION:** Riverside Church - 490 Riverside Dr – New York City

**DATES:** April 24-26, 2020

**REGISTRATION:** <https://worldconference2020.org/registration>

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## *Humanity faces two existential threats*

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2020 will mark the 75th anniversary of the U.S. atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. With the encouragement of partners involved in organizing annual World Conferences against A- and H-Bombs in Japan, the Peace and Planet network and the International Peace Bureau, supported by the Abolition 2000 Global Network to Abolish Nuclear Weapons, have initiated planning for a World Conference and related events in New York City on the eve of the 2020 NPT Review Conference.

Our commitments are to prevent nuclear war, to achieve the prohibition and elimination of all nuclear weapons, to work for the relief of and in solidarity with the world's Hibakusha, stemming and reversing the climate crisis, social and economic justice, and building the intersectional movements we need to prevail.

In organizing for the conference, we seek the broadest possible engagement with nuclear weapons abolition, peace, justice and environmental constituencies as well as diplomats and politicians from countries which are actively and meaningfully committed to achieving a nuclear weapon-free world and a sustainable environment.

The World Conference will provide a timely opportunity to sound the alarm and to inspire popular movements and sympathetic governments to address the challenges, posed by growing dangers of nuclear war, the climate crisis and the racism, repressions and

inequalities spurred by authoritarian, militarist and oligarchic governments. Racism, other forms of hate and growing economic inequality, driven in part by the rise of authoritarian governments, truncate the lives and hopes of people across the planet.

The World Conference will provide a unique opportunity for the world's nuclear disarmament campaigns, allied movements and organizations, and diplomats committed to banning and eliminating nuclear weapons to amplify our abolition demands to the Review Conference. Making links to climate and social and economic justice movements offers a new opportunity to develop the alliances and intersectional movements we will need to prevail.

Our events will include:

- A World Conference against A- & H- Bombs held at a suitable site in Manhattan
- A rally and march to the United Nations
- Presentation of millions of petition signatures calling for the prohibition and elimination of nuclear weapons to the NPT Review Conference
- Self-organized youth event



"I refuse to accept the cynical notion that nation after nation must spiral down a militaristic stairway into the hell of nuclear annihilation...there is still hope for a brighter tomorrow..."

Martin Luther King