

2013 NPT Preparatory Committee NGO Workshop

**The Future of the Peace Process and Prospects for
a Nuclear Weapon Free Zone in Northeast Asia
- 60th Anniversary of the Korean War Armistice -**

**Palais des Nations, Room XVI
Thursday 25 April 2013, 10am – 1pm**

Co-sponsorship

Peace Depot (JP), Peace Network (ROK), Peace Boat (JP), People's Solidarity for
Participatory Democracy (ROK)

Cooperation

International Peace Bureau, Nautilus Institute, Parliamentarians for Nuclear
Non-proliferation and Disarmament, World Council of Churches

2013 marks the 60th anniversary of the Korean War Armistice Agreement. Also, it has been 20 years since DPRK declared to withdraw from the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty, as a result of which the nuclear issue on the Korean Peninsula emerged as a serious problem. In addition, every country of the Six-Party Talks launches a new government during this year.

Given the significance of 2013, we hope this workshop will help build momentum for turning the armistice system into a permanent peace regime in Korea and give a boost to the discussion on a Northeast Asia NWFZ which would necessarily include the solution to the nuclear problem of North Korea. Also, this workshop, held in the heart of Europe, offers an especially valuable opportunity to learn from the precedent of peace-building in Europe, notably the strategies that were helpful in overcoming the Cold War. We believe that now is the time to make this discussion one of the key subjects of disarmament and non-proliferation negotiations including the NPT review process.

Programme

Chair: Ms. Maria Kim, Peace Depot

Opening 10:00-10:20

Opening Remarks

Address by National Council of Japan Nuclear Free Local Authorities/ Mayor of Nagasaki

Address by Mayors for Peace/ Mayor of Hiroshima

Keynote Speech 10:20-11:30

New Approaches to Denuclearization and Peace Regime on the Korean Peninsula

Mr. Wooksik Cheong, Peace Network

The Significance of Achieving a NEA-NWFZ

Mr. Ichiro Yuasa, Peace Depot

End of the Cold War in Europe and Its Implications in Northeast Asia

Mr. Colin Archer, IPB

Implementation of a NEA-NWFZ in China and North Korea

*Mr. Peter Hayes, Nautilus Institute *via Skype*

Q&A

Special Remarks 11:30-11:50

By Diplomats and PNND Northeast Asia

Break 11:50- 12:00

Panel Discussion 12:00-12:50

Moderator: *Mr. Akira Kawasaki, Peace Boat*

Panel: *Mr. Jonathan Frerichs, WCC*

Mr. Takao Takahara, Peace Depot

Mr. Wooksik Cheong, Peace Network

We encourage the participants to raise questions and share their views.

Close 12:50-13:00

Publication of a Joint Appeal on Northeast Asia NWFZ

Closing Remarks

**The program is subject to change without prior notice.*

If you have further questions, please contact to either organization below.

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