

Conference counter summit NATO Brussels 2017_ adapted proposal

A world without war is possible! Stop NATO

Day 1 Evening:

Why we should oppose war?

We propose (max) three/four 'high' profile keynote speakers like Noam Chomsky (skype), Jeremy Corbyn, Medea Benjamin, Ann Wright, John Pilger, Arundhati Roy,..... (1h30)

Day 2 Main conference

Morning:

Plenary: *Welfare versus militarisation of society*

– panel with trade unionists, environmentalists and peace activists from several continents

Afternoon: working groups I en II

possible key issues:

- nuclear arms and how to disarm?
- military spending versus social security
- military interventions, war policy & peaceful conflict resolutions
- NATO and economic interests versus sustainable development
- how to stop political influence of arms industry (NATO en CSDP)
- NATO confrontation Russia & need for Helsinki II?
- EU-NATO relations
- culture of militarisation or of peace?
- The peace movement and the wars in Syria, Iraq, Yemen, Libya, Afghanistan, Ukraine ...
- arms trade and how to stop it
- NATO in the mediterranean / demilitarisation of the refugee crisis
- NATO enlargement
- Woman and NATO
- MoU with Sweden and Finland
- NATO in Africa (! Drone base in Niger)
- Military bases and environmental problems
- media and war,...
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late afternoon/evening

Plenary: How to delegitimize NATO? Plan of action; which campaigns; how to confront militarisation?

With panel of different peace movements

Evening: cultural program (proposals welcome)

- film (shadow world?) & Andrew Feinstein (ex ANC, author of same book)
- stand up comedian....