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,…
– ….

late afternoon/evening
Plenary: How to delegitimise 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…. 