

Schedule & Program: 2019 World Conference against A and H Bombs (Provisional)

Main theme of the 2019 World Conference against A & H Bombs:

For a Nuclear Weapon-Free, Peaceful and Just World

July 28 (Sun.)

<Related event>

09:00-17:00 Scientists Forum of the 2019 World Conference against A & H Bombs (Kasuga Clover Plaza, Kasuga City, Fukuoka)

August 2 (Fri)

Morning -
TBA

Delegates' arrival in Hiroshima
Dedication of flowers to Hiroshima A-Bomb Memorial Cenotaph (Peace Park)
Visit to Peace Memorial Museum
15:00 Registration desk opens (2F, Sotetsu Grand Fresa/Hotel Sunroute Hiroshima)
19:00-20:00 Information meeting for overseas delegates (2F, Sotetsu Grand Fresa/Hotel Sunroute)

August 3 (Sat)

Morning

14:00-19:00

Visit to A-bomb hospital/ Nursing home of the Hibakusha
Opening & Plenary Sessions, International Meeting:
(Ginga, 3F, Hiroshima City Bunka Koryu Kaikan Hall)

August 4 (Sun)

09:30-12:30

14:00-18:00

20:00 -

Plenary Session, International Meeting: (Ginga, 3F, Bunka Koryu Kaikan Hall)
Workshops, International Meeting: (Ginga-A and Ginga-B of Bunka Koryu Kaikan Hall and Hiroshima Institute of Technology)
Drafting Committee Meeting (2F, Sotetsu Grand Fresa Hotel/Sunroute Hiroshima)

August 5 (Mon)

10:00-11:30

18:30-20:30

Closing Session, International Meeting: (Ginga, Bunka Koryu Kaikan Hall)
Exchange forum for citizens and overseas delegates
(Ginga, Bunka Koryu Kaikan Hall)

August 6 (Tue)

08:00-08:45

13:00-15:30

19:30-20:30

Hiroshima Peace Memorial Ceremony (Peace Park)
Hiroshima Day Rally (Green Arena, Hiroshima Prefectural Gymnasium)
Lantern Floating Ceremony (Motomachi River Park)

August 7 (Wed)

Morning

15:30-18:00

Move to Nagasaki by chartered bus
Opening Plenary, 2019 World Conference against A & H Bombs - Nagasaki
(Nagasaki Shimin Kaikan Gymnasium)

<Related event>

18:30-20:00

Youth Rally: Ring! Link! Zero 2019 in Nagasaki (Nagasaki Shimin Kaikan Gymnasium)

August 8 (Thu)

09:30-15:00 **Workshops and field trips** (different venues in Nagasaki City)
13:00-16:00 **International Forum:** Dialogue between Governments and NGOs for the Prohibition and Elimination of Nuclear Weapons
13:00-16:00 **Special Meeting:** Achieving a Nuclear-Free and Bases-Free Japan; Solidarity with Okinawa

<Related event>

18:00-20:00 *No Nukes! Women's Forum 2019 (Nagasaki Shimin Kaikan Gymnasium)*

August 9 (Fri)

10:30-13:00 **Closing Plenary, 2019 World Conference against A & H Bombs - Nagasaki**
(Nagasaki Shimin Kaikan Gymnasium)
Afternoon Nagasaki Day Street Signature Campaign (Kuroganebashi Bridge)
Evening Farewell Party (St. Prière-Heiankaku, 2-4 Motofunamachi, Nagasaki City.
Tel: 095-822-3390)

August 10 (Sat)

Departure; Visit to local groups

Group booking from Nagasaki to Tokyo via Fukuoka on August 10 (Reservation is necessary at the Secretariat) -- TBA

Leaving Nagasaki by chartered bus in the morning; Take an afternoon flight from Fukuoka, arriving in Tokyo (Haneda) later in the afternoon.

* * * * *

**International Meeting,
2019 World Conference against A & H Bombs
August 3-5, 2019 Hiroshima
Venue: Hiroshima City Bunka Koryu Kaikan Hall**

August 3 (Sat) 14:00 - 19:00

Opening Session: (Ginga Room)

Appointment of chairpersons; Introduction of overseas delegates
Address of the Organizer; Greetings from the Hibakusha
Presentation of messages; Speeches by national government representatives

Plenary Session I:

Damage and Suffering from A-Bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki; Inhumanity of Nuclear Weapons; Struggle of the Hibakusha

Introductory speeches:

Questions and Answers, Discussion

Plenary Session II:

Prohibition and Elimination of Nuclear Weapons and Role of Citizens and Peace Movement -- Tasks and Prospect for 2020, 75th Anniversary of the Atomic Bombing

Introductory speeches:

Questions and Answers, Discussion

August 4 (Sun)

Plenary Session III: 09:30-12:30 (Ginga, Hiroshima City Bunka Koryu Kaikan Hall)

Cooperation and Solidarity for the Abolition of Nuclear Weapons -- with Movements against war & for peace; against nuclear power, for safeguarding environment, human rights and people's living

Introductory speeches:

Questions and Answers, Discussion

Lunch

Workshops: 14:00-18:00 (3 themes)

Workshop I (Ginga-A, 3F, Hiroshima City Bunka Koryu Kaikan Hall)

Damage and Suffering from A-Bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki; Inhumanity of Nuclear Weapons; Struggle of the Hibakusha

Workshop II (Ginga-B, 3F, Hiroshima City Bunka Koryu Kaikan Hall)

Damage and Suffering from A-Bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki; Inhumanity of Nuclear Weapons; Struggle of the Hibakusha

Workshop III (Tsuru Gakuen School – Hiroshima)

Cooperation and Solidarity for the Abolition of Nuclear Weapons -- with Movements against war & for peace; against nuclear power, for safeguarding environment, human rights and people's living

Drafting Committee Meeting: 20:00- (2F, Sotetsu Grand Fresa Hotel)

August 5 (Mon)

Closing Session: 10:00-11:30 (Hiroshima City Bunka Koryu Kaikan Hall)

- Reports from workshops;
- Report from the Scientists Meeting
- Proposal and Adoption of the Declaration of the International Meeting
- Closing remarks

* * * * *

**2019 World Conference against A & H Bombs –
Hiroshima
August 5 - 6, 2019**

August 5 (Mon)

**Exchange forum for citizens and overseas delegates 18:30-20:30
(Ginga, Hiroshima City Bunka Koryu Kaikan Hall)**

It is a special occasion for the citizens of Hiroshima to interact with overseas peace workers, especially young delegates, who are joining in the 2019 World Conference against A and H Bombs. (Simultaneous translation available)

August 6 (Tue)

08:00-08:45 Hiroshima City Peace Memorial Ceremony (Peace Park)

**Hiroshima Day Rally, 2019 World Conference against
A & H Bombs**

13:00-15:30 (Green Arena, Hiroshima Prefectural Gymnasium)

- Program:**
- Opening (Chorus and film screening)
 - Introduction of overseas delegates; Presentation of messages
 - Keynote address by the organizer; Greetings from Hibakusha
 - Speeches by UN/national government representatives
 - Presentation of peace movements from across the world and Japan
 - Adoption of Hiroshima resolution
 - Closing

* * * * *

2019 World Conference against A & H Bombs – Nagasaki August 7 - 9, 2019

August 7 (Wed)

Morning: Move to Nagasaki by chartered bus or train (Lunch on the way)

Opening Plenary, 2019 World Conference - Nagasaki 15:30-18:00 (Nagasaki Shimin Kaikan Gymnasium)

Program: Opening; Introduction of overseas delegates and guests
Greetings from Mayor of Nagasaki; Greetings from Hibakusha
Presentation of messages
Keynote address by Organizer
Speeches by national government/UN representatives
Speeches by overseas delegates of peace movements
Campaigns from grass-roots; local authorities; peace marchers
Adjournment

<Related Event>

**International Youth Rally: Ring! Link! Zero 2019 in Nagasaki
18:30-20:30 (Nagasaki Shimin Kaikan Gymnasium)**

August 8 (Thu)

International Forum (13:00-16:00): Dialogue between Governments and NGOs for the Prohibition and Elimination of Nuclear Weapons

Peace movements and national government representatives will discuss together the tasks facing us now for promotion of the signing/ratification of the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons and toward the NPT Review Conference of 2020

Special Meeting (13:00-16:00): *Achieving a Nuclear-Free and Bases-Free Japan; Solidarity with Okinawa*

Achieving a nuclear-free, bases-free Okinawa and cancellation of the construction of a new US base at Henoko is the task for the entire Japanese people. In solidarity with the “All Okinawan Struggle”, participants will discuss how to broaden and strengthen the movement to achieve the goal.

Workshops (09:30-15:00): (At various venues throughout Nagasaki City; Some workshops run with different time schedule)

1. For a Nuclear Weapon-Free, Peaceful World - Action from the Grass-roots

Discussion will focus on how to step up the grass-roots mobilization for 2020, the 75th year of the atomic bombing, together with the anti-nuclear peace movement from around the world. Participants are invited to discuss exchange views on their campaigns on the Hibakusha Appeal signature collection, Peace March and other grass-roots experiences.

2. Nuclear weapon-free and peaceful Northeast Asia and Role to be played by Japan

The denuclearization of the Korean Peninsula is the focal point of the East Asia. Given that no agreement was reached in the 2nd US-DPRK summit, the broad current for the denuclearization is maintained. The

workshop will discuss the immediate tasks for us, especially the role to be played by Japan.

3. Creating nuclear-free and peace-oriented local municipalities

Already 60% of Japanese mayors have signed the “International Hibakusha Appeal” and 374 municipal assemblies have adopted resolutions urging the Japanese government to sign and ratify the TPNW. The workshop will discuss how to create and strengthen nuclear-free and peace-oriented local administrations which will reflect the desire of local citizens for peace and against nuclear weapons.

4. Achieving Nuclear-Free, Peaceful Japan by Defending Article 9 of Japan’s Constitution

Article 9 of Japan’s Constitution embodies the painful lesson from the atomic bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. The workshop will discuss people’s cooperation and campaigns to block the revision of Article 9 and urge Japan to join the TPNW. Sharing people’s experiences on the “International Hibakusha Appeal” and “30 Million People” signature campaign, the participants will explore future actions for achieving a nuclear-free and peaceful Japan.

5. Inheriting and making the A-bomb experiences known to the world; Supporting and working together in solidarity with the Hibakusha

The workshop will discuss and exchange opinions about the activities to support the Hibakusha in solidarity with them toward 2020, the 75th anniversary of the atomic bombing. Participants will listen directly to the witnesses of the Hibakusha. Other topics of discussion will include how to hold and spread the A-bomb exhibitions in Japan and internationally. The 2nd and 3rd generation Hibakusha will share their efforts to organize themselves and help making Hibakusha’s experiences known to the people. Victims of nuclear tests/development will be invited to speak, too.

6. Nuclear weapons and nuclear power plants

Though 8 years have passed since the disaster of the TEPCO Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Plant, the lessons of the disaster are not learned and nuclear power plants are restarting their operations on after another. The workshop will again make clear the responsibility of the TEPCO and the government, and share the victims’ struggles and people’s efforts and experiences to support them, as well as efforts to abolish nuclear power plants and shift to renewable energy sources.

7. Reduction of military spending to achieve peace and decent life of the people

In December 2018 Abe government decided on the “National Defense Program Guidelines for FY 2019 and beyond” and “Medium Term Defense Plan” which means for the next 5 years, Japan will spend 27.5 trillion yen to buy enormous amount of U.S. weapons and systems. The participants will explore how to achieve decent life, economy and safety of the nation and spread the base for expanding the anti-nuclear peace movement by refusing the massive armament program of the country

8. Broadening culture of anti-nuclear peace

Without the non-violent struggles of the Hibakusha, a path for the elimination of nuclear weapons would not have been opened. The participants will discuss together how to create a culture of peace in the current world full of serious problems and issues, and find ways to hand the world over to future generations, by learning from the Hibakusha’s culture.

9. Youth Forum: Visiting the Hibakusha, learning and exchange

This is a workshop for, and by the young people trying to become main players to create a nuclear weapon-free world by inheriting Hibakusha’s experiences and struggles. In small groups participants will listen to Hibakusha’s stories or go on a field work to relive the experiences of the hibakusha.

10. Learning Hiroshima & Nagasaki through films

Participants will view the films on the history of the movement against A & H Bombs and the inhumanity of nuclear weapons and discuss how to make best use of these visual materials in the peace movement and campaigns.

<Related workshop>

High School Students Forum: Listening to the Hibakusha from around the world

Field Trips:

11. On-site investigation on Sasebo U.S. Bases
12. Visit to A-bomb architectures and monuments in Nagasaki
13. Boys and girls Peace Forum

<Related events>

18:00-20:00 No Nukes! Women's Forum 2019 (Nagasaki Shimin Kaikan Gymnasium)

August 9 (Fri)

Closing Plenary, 2019 World Conference - Nagasaki 10:30-13:00 (Nagasaki Shimin Kaikan Gymnasium)

Program: Opening
At 11:02: Minute of silence
Speeches by overseas delegates
Program with the Hibakusha
Adoption of Nagasaki conference resolution
Proposal of actions

Evening: Farewell Party at St. Premier-Heiankaku Hall

August 10 (Sat)

Departure of overseas delegates; Local events