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WELCOME MESSAGE

On behalf of Medact and all the conference partner organisations, we are delighted to welcome you to Health Through Peace. This year's conference is part of a wider piece of work to revitalise and reenergise the health peace movement, and we are extremely fortunate to welcome an amazing line-up of speakers. We feel that this line-up is reflective of the breadth of the knowledge and experiences of the health community, and the huge potential we have to influence and effect change.

We're also honoured to welcome participants from many different backgrounds, including nursing and medical staff; experts from the fields of arms control, international relations, peacebuilding and conflict resolution; campaigning and advocacy groups; students of all disciplines; and front-line humanitarian workers.

This conference is an opportunity to learn, make connections and exchange ideas, and also to develop plans for how to take action going forward. Whether it's delivering justice to the refugees at Europe's borders or ending arms sales to oppressive regimes, there are many reasons for the health community to come together and work with academics, campaigners, journalists and others to help make the world a more peaceful and just place.

There will be opportunities to network with other participants and speakers in the breaks, and to meet organisations working in the fields of peace, health and beyond in the stalls area. The Wellcome Trust has kindly reproduced materials from the Medact archive showing the activities of Medact's predecessor organisations in the 1980s and 1990s. Please do take the time to examine these fascinating reminders of the historical role and origins of this movement - they are placed around Friends House.

This event could not have happened without the support and generosity of many hundreds of people - a big thank you to you all. But, we are particularly grateful to the speakers who are giving their time freely. We also owe a special thanks to Quakers in Britain who have given us the space to hold this event - and the staff at Friends House who have been so accommodating.

Importantly, Health Through Peace does not end here. The global challenges we currently face require that we come together, and then act collectively. The coming months and years will provide many opportunities to build on the ideas and proposed actions arising from this conference. Chinua Achebe commented on the 'incremental' nature of the progress of change. It can be slow, painful, and frustrating. But together, by taking the discussions and dialogues inspired over the next two days out into the wider global community, we can shape and pave the way to peace.

The Health Through Peace organising team

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08 ³⁰	Registration (Tea & Coffee from 8am in the East Corridor)				
	THE LIGHT				
09 ⁰⁰	Welcome - Dr Fiona Godlee (Editor, British Medical Journal)				
09 ³⁰ 1 hour	Lecture and Q&A - War, Violence and Conflict: Global Trends 1945 - 2045 <i>Professor Paul Rogers (Bradford School of Peace Studies and Oxford Research Group)</i>				
10 ³⁰	Time to get to rooms				
10 ⁴⁵ 1 hour 30mins	ROOM 1 A1: Health Professionals and Nuclear Disarmament Current and historical perspectives on the role of the health community in nuclear disarmament. <i>Dr Frank Boulton (Medact), Elena Carter (Wellcome Trust), Dr Lesley Morrison (Medact Scotland) and Prof Tilman Ruff (IPPNW International). Chaired by Dr Robin Stott.</i>	BLOOMSBURY SUITE B1: New Weapons And Remote Warfare The changing nature of weapons and warfare: remote fighting, drones, robotics, and cyber warfare. <i>Richard Reeve (Sustainable Security Programme; ORG), Paul Rogers (University of Bradford; ORG), Andrew Noakes (Nigeria Security Network) and Caroline Donnellan (Remote Control Project). Chaired by Fiona Godlee (BMJ).</i>	THE LIGHT C1: Public Health In Conflict Zones The delivery of health care and public health in war and conflict zones. Protecting and re-building health systems. <i>Justine Namakula (Makerere University, Uganda) Dr Haja Wurie-Kamara (College of Medicine, Freetown) and Mareike Schomerus (ODI). Chaired by Dr Preeti Patel (War Studies, KCL).</i>	SMALL MEETING HOUSE D1: The UK Arms Trade Join campaigners trying to stem the flow of arms to human rights abusers and conflict zones from the UK and learn more about how this country is fuelling war abroad. <i>Sarah Waldron (Campaigns Coordinator, CAAT), Sayed Ahmed Alwadaei (Bahrain Institute for Rights and Democracy), Andrew Feinstein and Kat Hobbs (Outreach Coordinator, CAAT). Chaired by John Chisholm (BMA Ethics Committee).</i>	GEORGE FOX ROOM E1: The War on Drugs The scale of violence, conflict and damage associated with the 'War on Drugs'. <i>Martin Drewry (Health Poverty Action), Danny Kushlick (Transform Drug Policy) and Jamie Bridge (International Drug Policy Consortium). Chaired by Natasha Horsfield (Health Poverty Action).</i>
12 ¹⁵	Lunch (Provided - See Page 27) / Stalls, Exhibitions and Lunch Time Talks (See Page 15)				
13 ⁴⁵ 1 hour 30 mins	ROOM 1 A2: Unpicking Nuclear Deterrence Theory A critical look at the culture of nuclear weapons, and how mainstream narratives of nuclear deterrence in the UK might be challenged. <i>Kate Hudson (Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament), Paul Ingram (British American Security Information Service) and Richard Norton-Taylor (The Guardian). Chaired by Dr David McCoy (Medact).</i>	BLOOMSBURY SUITE B2: Biological and Chemical Warfare Production and use of biological and chemical weapons, with a focus on recent events in Syria, bioterrorism threats, future developments and control. <i>Dr Christian Enemark (Aberystwith University) and Timothy Stafford (Royal United Services Institute). Chaired by Dr Simon Rushton (University of Sheffield).</i>	THE LIGHT C2: On The Frontline Of War and Conflict Protecting health workers, civilians and humanitarian organisations from conflict and violence. <i>Fikr Shaloot (Gaza Medical Director, MAP UK), Olivia Blanchard (Médecins Sans Frontières) Dr David Nott and Stuart Gordon (London School of Economics). Chaired by Fawzia Gibson-Fall (KCL).</i>	GEORGE FOX ROOM D2: Climate Change and Conflict Resource scarcity, extreme weather events, sea level rise and other manifestations of climate change as a cause of war and conflict. War and conflict as a source of GHG emissions. <i>Devin Bowles (Australian National University), Janani Vivekananda (Climate Change & Security, International Alert) and Frances MacGuire (Medact), with music from Tim Hollo and Ilana Cravitz.</i>	SMALL MEETING HOUSE E2: Gender, Militarism and Violence (Part One) The role of gender and other social and cultural norms in determining and shaping war, violence and conflict. <i>Hannah Wright (Gender, Peace and Security Advisor, Saferworld), Julie Brethfeld (Conflict and Security Advisor, Saferworld) and Dr Julia Welland (University of Warwick).</i>
15 ¹⁵	Break (Tea, Coffee & Biscuits)				
15 ⁴⁵ 1 hour 30 mins	ROOM 1 A3: The Humanitarian Imperative Learn about the humanitarian initiative to ban nuclear weapons, which has so far gained 117 signatories, and is posing a significant challenge to the international status quo. <i>Rebecca Sharkey (International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons UK), Wilbert van der Zijden (PAX) Monicha Zach, and Dr Beyza Unal (Chatham House).</i>	BLOOMSBURY SUITE B3: Redefining Security How defence and security are defined has a profound effect on how we respond to external threats. How might we better define security in the 21st century? <i>Phil Vernon (Head of Programmes, International Alert), Dr Rachel Julian (Leeds Beckett University) and Andrew Rigby (Ammerdown Invitation).</i>	THE LIGHT C3: Assessing the Health Impacts of War and Conflict The impacts of war and armed conflict can last for decades - if not longer. Join three experts analysing different aspects of this legacy: from environmental damage to mental health problems. <i>Dr Maria Kett (Leonard Cheshire Centre for Disability), Dr Mina Fazel (Oxford University), Muki Haklay (UCL) and Doug Weir (Toxic Remnants of War Project).</i>	GEORGE FOX ROOM D3: Controlling the International Arms Trade Controlling the international flow of arms is a complex and difficult task. Join three experts in arms control for an introduction to the global arms trade and attempts that have been made to control it. <i>Martin Butcher (Arms and Conflict Policy Advisor, Oxfam International), Dr Paul Holtom (Conventry University; former SIPRI) and Elli Kytomaki (Chatham House). Chaired by Sridhar Venkatapuram (KCL).</i>	SMALL MEETING HOUSE E3: Gender, Militarism and Violence (Part Two) An interactive workshop in which participants will be encouraged to think about gender stereotypes and how these shape their own identities and behaviours. <i>Hannah Wright (Gender, Peace and Security Advisor, Saferworld), Julie Brethfeld (Conflict and Security Advisor, Saferworld), and David Brockway (The Great Initiative).</i>
17 ¹⁵	Free Time - Eat, Drink and Discuss (Food on sale but not included in ticket price - see page 27)				
	THE LIGHT				
18 ³⁰ 1 hour 30mins	Health Through Peace - Lectures and Q&A <i>John Ashton CBE (Independent activist; former UK climate envoy) and Andrew Feinstein (Former South African MP and author of 'The Shadow World')</i>				

09 ⁰⁰	Registration (Tea & Coffee from 9am in the East Corridor)				
	THE LIGHT				
10 ⁰⁰	Welcome (Dr Richard Horton - Editor, The Lancet)				
10 ¹⁵	War, Conflict and Militarisation as Global Health Issues Dan Smith (Stockholm International Peace Research Institute), Miri Weingarten (Physicians for Human Rights Israel; Medact) Ben Griffin (Veterans for Peace) and Professor Sir Andy Haines (LSHTM)				
11 ³⁰	Break (Tea, Coffee and Biscuits)				
12 ⁰⁰ 1 hour 30mins	Responding to War, Conflict and Militarisation as a Health Community Dr David McCoy (Medact), Dr Jose Antonio Bastos (MSF International Board), Dr Ira Helfand (International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War) and Dr Vivienne Nathanson				
13 ³⁰	Lunch (Provided - See Page 27) / Stalls and Exhibitions (See Page 15)				
15 ⁰⁰ 2 hours	GEORGE FOX ROOM Educating Health Workers for Peace If we want health professionals to work for more peaceful societies, we need to educate and train them in disarmament, sustainable development, and in how to overcome violent responses to conflict. Join Medical Peace Work for a session exploring educating for peace. <i>With Medical Peace Work, including Dr Klaus Melf, Dr Aditya Vas, Dr Louisa Chan-Boegli and others.</i>	THE LIGHT Supporting Refugees in the UK Over the coming months, up to 10,000 refugees may arrive in the UK seeking sanctuary from war and armed conflict. How can our society, and the health community in particular, best support and welcome those seeking refuge? <i>With Dr Frank Arnold (Medact), Dr Hugh Grant-Peterkin, Katie Turner (Doctors of the World) and David Rhys-Jones (Helen Bamber Foundation).</i>	SMALL MEETING HOUSE Using Research and Evidence for Peace Even following the end of armed conflict, building future peace can take years, if not decades. Using Yemen as a practical example, we will explore what a post-war reconstruction model might look like in a country still torn apart by war. <i>With Kate Nevens (Middle East, Saferworld), Sharif Ismail (Imperial College) and Taher Qassim CBE.</i>	BLOOMSBURY SUITE Advocacy and Campaigning for Peace Building a more peaceful world will rely upon our ability to effectively influence and engage with politicians, the media and the public more generally. A workshop designed and run by the Sheila Mckechnie Foundation for young health professionals and students wondering how to make an impact. <i>With experienced campaigners from the progressive climate, peace and health movements.</i>	ROOM 1 Health as a Bridge for Peace In conflict areas across the world, health professionals and health institutions provide protection and advocate on behalf of grassroots peacemakers. A workshop led by Peace Direct on how we in the UK can help catalyse those relationships. <i>With the staff team at Peace Direct.</i>
	Short Break				
	THE LIGHT				
17 ¹⁵ 30mins	Closing Session Sarah Alhulail (Medact member) and Layth Hanbali (National Director, Medsin)				
17 ⁴⁵ 1 hour 15mins	Free Time - Eat, Drink and Discuss (Food on sale but not included in ticket price - see page 27)				
	THE LIGHT				
19 ⁰⁰ 1 hour	Folk and Word - Peace An informal evening of music and poetry brought to you by 'Folk and Word' - an East-London collective of spoken word artists and musicians. This will be an eclectic mix of folk and acoustic music from across the world alongside some spoken word and poetry on the themes of peace, conflict and reconciliation.				
20 ³⁰	Somers Town Coffee House (Nearby Pub - 5 minutes walk - 60 Chalton St, London NW1 1HS) After the music and poetry in The Light, we will head to nearby pub The Somers Town Coffee House, where there will be live music and an opportunity to dance and unwind.				

OPENING LECTURE

War, Violence and Conflict: Global Trends 1945-2045

Professor Paul Rogers - University of Bradford and Oxford Research Group

A thought-provoking lecture from Professor Paul Rogers, who will talk through the major global security issues of the last 60 years, and then attempt to predict future causes of conflict and how these might be addressed. Paul will focus on the period between 1945 and 2045, or what he calls, 'the Century on the Edge'. In the hundred years starting with the nuclear age in 1945, human society has to come to terms with an unprecedented ability to destroy itself through nuclear war, and massively damage the global environment. Nearly two-thirds of the way through this century, Professor Rogers asks if Cold War nuclear lessons really been learnt and if are we gaining sufficient wisdom to learn to live within our world-wide limits?



45 minute lecture followed by 15 minute Q&A

STREAM A Nuclear Disarmament in the 21st Century

1 Health Professionals and Nuclear Disarmament

Beds Not Bombs! A session exploring current and historical perspectives on the role of the health community in campaigning for nuclear disarmament, including a visual presentation from the Medact archive, now held at the Wellcome Collection.

SPEAKERS: Dr Frank Boulton (Medact), Elena Carter (The Wellcome Library), Dr Lesley Morrison (Medact Scotland) and Prof Tilman Ruff (IPPNW International). Chaired by Dr Robin Stott (Medact).

2 Challenging Nuclear Deterrence Theory

A critical look at the culture of nuclear weapons in the UK, and how mainstream narratives of nuclear deterrence can and must be challenged.

SPEAKERS: Kate Hudson (Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament), Paul Ingram (British American Security Information Service) and Richard Norton-Taylor (The Guardian). Chaired by Dr David McCoy (Medact).

3 The Humanitarian Imperative to Ban Nuclear Weapons

Find out how the international Humanitarian Initiative on nuclear weapons is creating an urgent argument for change by focusing attention on the catastrophic humanitarian and environmental impact of these WMDs. Including the 2015 launch of nuclear weapons divestment report 'Don't Bank on the Bomb' by Netherlands-based NGO PAX.

SPEAKERS: Monika Zach (Austrian Embassy, London), Dr Beyza Unal (Chatham House), Rebecca Sharkey (International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons), Wilbert van der Zeijden (PAX) and Maaike Beenes (PAX). Chaired by Dr Frank Boulton (Medact).

STREAM B Understanding 21st Century Conflict and Security

1 New Weapons and Remote Warfare

Join expert speakers to learn about the changing nature of weapons and warfare: from remote fighting and drones, to robotics and cyber warfare. Speakers will explore the evolution of US, UK and French war-fighting capacities and postures, especially in the context of the War on Terror in Africa and the Middle East, as well as the ethical, transparency and accountability issues that this brings.

SPEAKERS: Richard Reeve (Director, Sustainable Security Programme, ORG), Paul Rogers (University of Bradford; ORG/Remote Control Project), Caroline Donnellan (Remote Control Project) and Andrew Noakes (Nigeria Security Network). Chaired by Fiona Godlee (Editor, British Medical Journal).

2 Biological and Chemical Warfare

War is always bad for health, but over the past century widely-held international norms have developed that chemical and biological weapons are not legitimate weapons of war. And yet the threat posed by these weapons has not gone away. Join these expert speakers to learn about key contemporary issues surrounding biological and chemical weapons: the current state of knowledge on their production and possible use (including by potential bioterrorists or by 'rogue states'); what current scientific advances mean for the future of such weapons; and how the arms control treaties that outlaw them can be strengthened and more effectively enforced.

SPEAKERS: Dr Christian Enemark (Aberystwyth University), Timothy Stafford (Research Fellow, Royal United Services Institute) and Simon Rushton (University of Sheffield).*

*Note from conference organisers: We apologise for this being an all male panel, but, unfortunately, we had a speaker drop-out at the last minute.

3 Redefining Security

In our interconnected world, the real security of individuals, communities and countries is highly interdependent, including our shared human and planetary health. Security is often used in a relatively narrow sense, such as meaning military security, and in this session we will explore how the way we define and practise security influences our own safety and security, and that of other people, asking how we create common human security.

SPEAKERS: Phil Vernon (Head of Programmes, International Alert), Dr Rachel Julian (Leeds Beckett University), Paul Clifford (Ammerdown Invitation) and Andrew Rigby (Ammerdown Invitation).

TIP: You can read the Ammerdown Invitation online at www.opendemocracy.net/author/ammerdown-invitation

Public Health in Conflict Zones

1 Armed conflict and other situations of widespread violence generate immediate and additional health-care requirements for wounded and sick people that exceed peacetime needs. Yet in countries affected by conflict, health systems often break down. In this session, learn more about how health systems are affected by war and armed conflict. As recovery begins so should the process of rebuilding health systems - you'll also hear from researchers looking to better understand how health systems can be rebuilt.

SPEAKERS: Mareike Schomerus (Overseas Development Institute), Justine Namakula (Makerere University, Uganda - ReBUILD Consortium) and Dr Haja Wurie-Kamara (College of Medicine, Freetown - ReBUILD Consortium). Chaired by Dr Preeti Patel (Senior Lecturer in Global Health & Security, Kings College London).

TIP: Make sure you visit the ReBUILD Consortium stand in the Exhibition/Stalls Area!

On the Frontline of War and Violent Conflict

2 Humanitarian law is clear in protecting nurses, doctors and others in their work to save human life and prevent suffering during war and armed conflict, yet these rules are routinely ignored and health professionals are increasingly at risk. Health communities around the world need to promote and uphold these laws, as well as the organisations and institutions that exist to safeguard them. In this session, hear from a range of speakers with different experiences of working in the humanitarian sector about the challenges and dangers of providing health care on the front-line, as well as how humanitarian organisations can speak out in the public domain on these issues.

SPEAKERS: Fikr Shalltoot (Gaza Medical Director, Medical Aid for Palestinians UK), Olivia Blanchard ('Medical Care Under Fire' Project, MSF), Dr Stuart Gordon (London School of Economics) and Dr David Nott. Chaired by Fawzia Gibson-Fall (Kings College London).

Understanding the Health Impacts of War and Violent Conflict

3 The effects of war on people and the planet can last for many decades, if not longer. From psychological trauma to unexploded ordinance, the damage done by armed conflict lives on well after the fighting has ended. In this session, learn about different aspects of the legacy of armed conflict from experts researching different post-conflict issues. Researchers face considerable difficulty in comprehensively documenting the long-term impacts of war; this session will end by exploring how 'Citizen Science' might be able to help fill the research gap.

SPEAKERS: Dr Maria Kett (Leonard Cheshire Centre for Disability), Dr Mina Fazel (Psychiatry, Oxford University) Professor Muki Haklay (Participatory Data & Citizen Science, University College London) and Doug Weir (Toxic Remnants of War Project).

The UK Arms Trade

1 In its 2014-15 'Human Rights and Democracy Report', the UK government identified 28 countries of concern. In 2014, the UK approved arms export licences to 18 of those countries - including Israel, Libya, Saudi Arabia and Iraq. Despite its well documented repression and human rights abuses, Saudi Arabia has been a priority market for UK arms sales for over 30 years. Join campaigners to learn more about the role and scale of the global arms trade in fuelling war and armed conflict, and the particular role of the UK government and UK-based companies.

SPEAKERS: Sarah Waldron (Campaigns Coordinator, CAAT), Sayed Ahmed Alwadaei (Bahrain Institute for Rights and Democracy), Andrew Feinstein (Author, The Shadow World) and Kat Hobbs (Outreach Coordinator, CAAT). Introduced and Chaired by John Chisholm (Chair, British Medical Association Ethics Committee).

Climate Change and Conflict

2 Join three expert speakers for a high octane trip through climate change, global security, refugees, and those pesky fossil fuels. If you attend this session, your mission, should you choose to accept it, is to share the name of one piece of music that you'd like to leave for future generations. None of us know how long we have to tread this blue green planet, and we'd all like to leave our mark, wouldn't we? In return for your gift, our panel of climate security experts and musicians will select a virtual 'Desert Island Disks for the Climate'. Do join us, bring an open mind and open heart, to learn more about the complex inter-relations between instability, armed conflict and climate change. On the road to Paris and COP21, help to shape the debate.

SPEAKERS: Devin Bowles (Australian National University), Janani Vivekananda (Climate Change & Security - International Alert), Frances MacGuire (Medact), with a musical from Tim Hollo and Ilana Cravitz.

MUSICAL INTERLUDE: Ilana Cravitz has worked in the field of environment and human rights both in the international sphere and at a local level for many years. She currently works predominantly as a musician specialising in klezmer, the celebratory and soulful music of Jewish eastern Europe, and early music. Ilana volunteers with the project Women for Refugee Women, and has been involved in local policy development initiatives with the newly formed national Women's Equality Party.

Tim Hollo has worked in climate campaigns and communications for Greenpeace, 350.org, the Australian Greens and others, was Director of Communications for the Australian Greens Party Room, and established Green Music Australia in 2012 to help the music industry lead the way to a greener world. He has toured globally with his band, FourPlay String Quartet, writes for The Guardian, ABC and others, and has recently commenced PhD research into the role of music in motivating deep action on climate change.

Controlling the International Arms Trade

3 Join Paul, Martin and Ellie for an introduction to the global arms trade ahead of the key-note address from Andrew Feinstein. Paul will start the session with 'Arms Trade Family Fortunes', an interactive quiz on the basic facts around the international transfer of weapons. Martin will discuss the impact of irresponsible and illicit arms transfers on communities across the globe, then Elli will give an overview of regional and international efforts to better control flows of arms. with a particular focus on the Arms Trade Treaty.

SPEAKERS: Martin Butcher (Arms and Conflict Policy Advisor, Oxfam International), Dr Paul Holtom (Deputy Director, Centre for Trust, Peace and Social Relations, Coventry University; former Senior Researcher, Stockholm International Peace Research Institute) and Elli Kytomaki (Associate Fellow, International Security, Chatham House).

The War on Drugs

1 A prohibitionist approach to global drug policy, broadly known as the 'War on Drugs', has dominated since the mid-20th Century, seeking to prevent the production, trafficking and use of illicit drugs. These policies have failed to achieve their goals whilst fuelling violence and conflict, undermining stability and economic development, destroying livelihoods and preventing access to healthcare and essential medicines. This session examines the creation of a 'War on Drugs' through the securitisation and militarisation of drug policy; the scale of violence and damage associated with the 'War on Drugs' and its impacts for the most marginalised communities; and potential alternatives and important advocacy opportunities in 2016.

SPEAKERS: Martin Drewry (Director, Health Poverty Action), Danny Kushlick (Director, Transform Drug Policy Foundation) and Jamie Bridge (Senior Policy and Operations Manager, International Drug Policy Consortium). Chaired by Natasha Horsfield (Advocacy Officer, Health Poverty Action).

Gender, Militarism and Violence (Part One)

2 Women are often portrayed as helpless victims in war, while men are often assumed to be combatants because of their gender. The reality of today's conflicts is much more complex, with men being more likely to suffer violent deaths, and women playing all kinds of roles, from soldier to peacemaker. Nonetheless, the use of violence around the world is profoundly shaped by social norms relating to gender. This session will explore how gender, militarisation and war are connected, including how notions of masculinity in the British military have fuelled violence against local populations in Iraq and Afghanistan, harassment and abuse within the ranks, and mental health problems for troops themselves.

SPEAKERS: Hannah Wright (Gender, Peace and Security Advisor, Saferworld), Julie Brethfeld (Conflict and Security Advisor, Saferworld), and Dr Julia Welland (University of Warwick).

Gender, Militarism and Violence (Part One)

3 This second session will look at what practical action we can take to challenge gender norms that fuel violence and inequality. Activists from The Great Initiative will lead participants through workshop exercises they run in schools in the UK, using innovative techniques to promote critical reflection on gender and violence. Attendees will be encouraged to think about gender stereotypes and how these shape their own identities and behaviours. The session will then look at how similar approaches are being applied in countries experiencing or emerging from violent conflict, and why challenging ideas about masculinity and femininity is a vital element of peace activism.

SPEAKERS: David Brockway (The Great Initiative) - with extra facilitation from volunteers from the Great Initiative, Hannah Wright (Gender, Peace and Security Advisor, Saferworld) and Julie Brethfeld (Conflict and Security Advisor, Saferworld).

HEALTH THROUGH PEACE LECTURE

Friday 13th November 2015 - 6.30PM

To close the first day of the Health Through Peace forum, Medact is honoured to present an evening with Andrew Feinstein, former South African MP and author of 'The Shadow World', and John Ashton CBE (independent activist and ex-UK climate envoy). Together, they will be discussing the state of global security with a particular focus on how the health community can respond to war, militarisation and ecological collapse.

Andrew Feinstein is a South African writer and campaigner and Executive Director of Corruption Watch. He was a facilitator in the constitutional negotiations process that led to the first democratic elections in South Africa in 1994, when he was elected an ANC Member of Parliament. He served as an MP for over seven years before resigning in protest when the Public Accounts Committee was prohibited from investigating a massive arms deal tainted by allegations of high-level corruption.



John Ashton is an independent speaker and activist. His interventions range widely over politics, economics, diplomacy, and culture but a particular focus is climate change. He is an outspoken critic of the effort currently under way to open up the UK for fracking and unconventional gas. From 2006-12 he served as Special Representative for Climate Change for three successive UK Foreign Secretaries. He is a member of the Advisory Board of Post Crash Economics, the growing movement among economics students to challenge the dominance of neoclassical economic teaching in universities.



Folk & Word - Peace

Saturday 14th November - 7PM until 8.30PM

Join us for an eclectic evening of folk and acoustic music from across the world, alongside spoken word and poetry on the themes of peace, conflict and reconciliation. Artists include: Moussa Dembele (kora and balafon player from Burkina Faso), Sahira Saadunknerec (oud player from Iraq), Tehran-born poet Shirin Razavian and more.

This evening is brought to you by Folk & Word - an East-London collective of spoken word artists and musicians in conjunction with Exiled Writers Ink. Exiled Writers Ink, founded in 2000, is an organisation comprising a large network of refugee and exiled writers. It works to promote the creative literary expression of refugees and exiles and to encourage cross-cultural dialogue.

Find out more at exiledwriters.co.uk

After Folk & Word, we'll move to nearby pub, the Somers Town Coffee House, where we can relax, have a drink and enjoy more live music.

SATURDAY MORNING PLENARY SESSIONS

War, Conflict and Militarisation as Global Health Issues

SESSION 1 War, Conflict and Militarisation as Global Health Issues

SESSION 2 Responding to War, Conflict and Militarisation

The morning sessions on the Saturday of Health Through Peace will provide an overview of the key reasons why peace is a central and vital global health issue. They will also explore the unique role of the health community in speaking out and taking action on these issues.

SPEAKERS INCLUDE:



Richard Horton
(Editor, *The Lancet*)



Dr David McCoy
(Director, Medact)



Miri Weingarten
(Trustee, Medact; Physicians for Human Rights - Israel)



Ira Helfand
(President, International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War - IPPNW)



Ben Griffin
(Veterans for Peace)



Jose Antonio-Bastos
(International Board, Médecins Sans Frontières/Doctors Without Borders - MSF)



Vivienne Nathanson
(former British Medical Association)



Prof. Sir Andy Haines
(London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine)

SESSION 3 Closing Plenary

To close the final session of the conference, we've invited two young members of the health community in the UK to reflect on the conference, and give us their thoughts on how we take Health Through Peace forward.



Layth Hanbali
(National Director, Medsin)



Sarah Alhulail
(Medact Member; GP Trainee)

SATURDAY AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS

On the first day of the forum, the focus is on learning and education, whilst on the second day, we want to look forward, and start to think about action. We've tried to focus this day on what we can all do in our own lives to speak out and take action on these issues. These workshops, following the plenary sessions in the morning, are designed to start conversations about what action might look like for the health community on issues related to war and militarisation. From running local campaigns that raise the profile of these issues (Advocacy and Campaigning as Health Professionals and Students) to incorporating them into the medical and nursing curriculum (Educating Health Workers for Peace), we hope these workshops inspire you and give you ideas about how we can build more equal, fair and peaceful societies.

YOU CAN SIGN UP FOR THESE WORKSHOPS FROM 4PM ON FRIDAY AFTERNOON - PLEASE SIGN UP BEFORE YOU GO HOME!

Educating Health Workers for Peace

If we want health professionals to work for more peaceful societies, we need to educate and train them in disarmament, sustainable development, and in how to overcome violent responses to conflict. The Medical Peace Work project (MPW) has been working for the last ten years to get more health professionals learning about their role and opportunities in violence prevention and peacebuilding. The project includes health professionals of all backgrounds and people from all over the world.

A team from MPW are here today to explain more about their training materials, and get you thinking about why and how war, armed conflict and militarisation could be included in the nursing and medical curricula. You'll learn and discuss how best to educate health students and professionals not only on war, but also on peace issues. The session will explore different training methods, teaching materials, professional accreditation, and different ways of getting the materials into curriculum. You will also look into the future of medical peace education and test new case studies recently produced by the Medical Peace Work project.

SPEAKERS AND FACILITATORS: Dr Klaus Melf (IPPNW Norway), Dr Aditya Vyas (University of East Anglia/Medact), Dr Louisa Chan Boegli (4change/tRI) and others.

This workshop is being run by the Medical Peace Work project.



Supporting Refugees in the UK

Over the coming months, thousands of refugees will arrive in the UK seeking sanctuary from war and armed conflict. Even the small number of Syrians who will not need to battle a hostile asylum system will have severe and interlinked psychological, organic medical, cultural and forensic needs. How can our society, and the health community in particular, best support and welcome them?

Following an introduction from the speakers on each of these areas of need, we will break into groups to generate ideas about how nurses, doctors and others can best deal with each of these separate issues facing those seeking refuge in this country.

SPEAKERS AND FACILITATORS: With Dr Hugh Grant-Peterkin, Katie Turner (Doctors of the World), David Rhys-Jones (Helen Bamber Foundation), and Dr Frank Arnold (Medact).

SATURDAY AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS

Using Research and Evidence for Peace - Yemeni Case Study

There is no imminent end in sight to the conflict in Yemen. Aid agencies are rightly focusing on immediate relief efforts for now, but there is an urgent need to start thinking about possible paths for the country over the next few years. Nowhere is this need greater than in health. The capacity of an already weak health system to respond to growing need has been crippled by extensive damage to medical facilities, supply shortages and safety concerns for health workers.

This workshop is the start of a year-long process which aims to develop policy proposals for health system reconstruction and rehabilitation in Yemen over the next five years. The objectives of the workshop are to think about what might happen to the health system in Yemen under a range of different scenarios, and begin to think about some priority actions that could be taken to rehabilitate the health system in each case. The workshop is open to all attendees at the Medact Conference, but we anticipate that attendees will include members of the Yemeni diaspora community in the UK, healthcare workers, public health practitioners and humanitarian aid workers with expertise in recovery from conflict, and students with an interest in health and humanitarian affairs.

SPEAKERS AND FACILITATORS: Kate Nevens (Head of the Middle East and North Africa Programme, Saferworld), Sharif Ismail (Specialist Registrar in Public Health), Taher Qassim MBE and others.

Advocacy and Campaigning as Health Professionals and Students

Building a more peaceful world will rely upon our ability to effectively influence and engage with politicians, the media and the public more generally. This is a workshop designed and run by the Sheila McKechnie Foundation for young health professionals and students wondering how to make an impact. You will learn the basics of campaign strategy, as well as some of the tools and techniques you might need to use to win a campaign. From writing press releases to meeting with your MP, this is a two-hour crash course in making change happen!

SPEAKERS AND FACILITATORS: John Knight (Sheila McKechnie Foundation), Emma Sangster (Forceswatch) and others.

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Health as a Bridge for Peace

In conflict areas across the world, health professionals and health institutions provide protection and advocate on behalf of grassroots peacemakers. A workshop led by Peace Direct on how we in the UK can help catalyse those relationships. In this session you'll also learn about the work of Peace Direct in supporting peacemakers across the world. From Zimbabwe to Pakistan there are people working on the ground to build bridges between communities, but what does it take to a peacemaker? And how can we support those doing that work?

SPEAKERS AND FACILITATORS: The staff team at Peace Direct

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EXHIBITION & STALLS

As well as all the lectures and workshops, we're excited to have a range of interesting organisations on-hand to talk to you about what they do. **Visit the stalls in the Endsleigh Suite** (just behind The Light) to meet humanitarian, campaigning and academic organisations, including: Health Poverty Action, ReBuild Consortium, Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine, CND Peace Education, King's College London, Impact Lab, Medicine Conflict & Survival, Forceswatch International Alert, Medsin, Mediciens Sans Frontieres UK, Oxpal, Medical Peace Work, Medical Aid For Palestinians, the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons, Saferworld, Movement to Abolish War, Oxford Research Group and International Doctors for Healthier Drug Policies.

EXHIBITION - MEDACT ARCHIVE

To help us step back in time to the early days of the health peace movement, we are grateful to the Wellcome Library who have kindly reproduced a selection of images from the Medact archive - these are fascinating materials from medical anti-nuclear campaigning in the 1970s and 1980s.

The archive was catalogued by Elena Carter, project archivist, for the Wellcome Library in 2014. It tells the story of a group of British doctors, nurses and other health professionals who joined together during the Cold War to protest against nuclear weapons, and argue that the nuclear bomb was the greatest threat to human health and survival.

The materials are placed in 'Room 1' and around Friends House - please feel free to wander around the building to see this fascinating collection.

FRIDAY LUNCH-TIME SESSIONS *All welcome!*

Nuclear Weapons and the Crisis in Ukraine With Angelika Claussen (IPPNW Germany)

ROOM 1 - 12:45 to 13:15 - Friday 13th November

The crisis in Ukraine and rising regional tensions has made the possibility of a nuclear exchange on European soil seem more likely than since the end of the Cold War. Learn more from IPPNW Germany.

War, Disasters and Data with Jesse Berns (Impact Lab)

GEORGE FOX ROOM - 12:45 to 13:15 - Friday 13th November

The Impact Lab is a data science and development organization focussed on providing high quality, actionable data for NGOs, funders, and government entities. They have worked around the world with organisations such as The World Bank, Medecine Sans Frontieres, and the Rockefeller Foundation. In the humanitarian context, they provide methods and tools typically found in the for-profit sector, with the intention of shifting the current paradigm of response decision making to one which is driven by quality data. Their recent humanitarian aid-related projects have included community-level data collection projects for several NGOs working in Iraq, Syria, Jordan, Yemen and Lebanon. Jesse Berns, Data Collection Lab Director, will be discussing recent Impact Lab projects from the front lines, sharing pertinent findings, and discussing the utilization of 'better' technology and use of data in war and disaster settings.

BIOGRAPHIES

SAYED AHMED ALWADAEI

Director of Advocacy, Bahrain Institute for Rights and Democracy

Friday - 10:45, D1: 'The UK Arms Trade' - Small Meeting House

Sayed Ahmed Alwadaei is the director of advocacy at the Bahrain Institute for Right and Democracy (BIRD). He was imprisoned and tortured in Bahrain in 2011 for his participation in pro-democracy protests.



DR JOSE ANTONIO BASTOS

International Board, Médecins Sans Frontières

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Dr. Jose Antonio Bastos joined MSF in 1991, while he was working as a general practitioner in Spain. He worked in Bolivia, Angola, DRC, Kenya, Somalia and Tanzania. After a period as head of the emergency unit at MSF's office in Barcelona, Jose Antonio worked as director of operations in Barcelona and later in Amsterdam. Between 2006 and 2010 Jose Antonio worked in Pakistan, Iraq and then Afghanistan for the International Committee of the Red Cross. He returned to MSF in 2010, as elected president of MSF Spain.



DR FRANK BOULTON

Medact, founder member of Medical Campaign Against Nuclear Weapons

Friday - 10:45, A1: 'Health Professionals and Nuclear Disarmament' - Room 1

Frank Boulton has extensive experience of international academic and clinical medicine, and has published original research, clinical guidelines, academic and managerial commentaries and reviews. Until he retired from the NHS in 2007 he chaired two UK national committees on standards of care (for patients, and for blood donors), was President of the British Blood Transfusion Society (2005 to 2007), and was honorary clinical consultant in Blood Transfusion to HM Armed Forces.



DEVIN BOWLES

Australian National University

Friday - 13:45, D2: 'Climate Change and Conflict', George Fox Room

Devin Bowles recently submitted his PhD in epidemiology and population health at the Australian National University. His thesis focuses on the health impacts of climate change-associated conflict. Devin has published on a wide range of topics, including public health, conflict prevention, religion, Indigenous Australians, and prosopagnosia (face blindness). Devin previously completed an MA (hons) and BSc (hons) at the Australian National University and a BA (hons) at Kenyon College. Devin is the president of BODHI, a non-profit organisation delivering bespoke development aid for over 25 years.



JULIE BRETHFELD

Saferworld

Friday - 13:45, E2 and 15:45, E3: 'Gender, Militarism and Violence' - Small Meeting House

Julie Brethfeld is Conflict and Security Adviser for Saferworld. She previously managed their Nepal Programme and led the Europe and Central Asia Team. She has conceptualised and carried out research on topics such as masculinities and violence, the impact of migration on local communities in Nepal, and the role of youth in conflict dynamics and disarmament. Julie has previously worked on conflict prevention in the border area between South Sudan and Ethiopia.



DAVID BROCKWAY

The Great Initiative

Friday - 15:45, E3: 'Gender, Militarism and Violence' (Part Two) - Small Meeting House

David is responsible for managing the Great Men project. He recruits, trains and mentors all the volunteers for the project and matches them up to schools for them to deliver workshops. He gets schools on board, develops the workshop delivery and content, and promotes the project externally at meetings and events. David is also a strong advocate for working with men/boys and helps build the capacity of other organisations to do this effectively.



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MARTIN BUTCHER

Oxfam

Friday - 15:45, D3: 'Controlling the International Arms Trade' - George Fox Room

Martin Butcher is a policy advisor on arms and conflict for Oxfam. He worked on the recently agreed Arms Trade Treaty, and researches the impact of arms flows on conflicts across the world as part of Oxfam's advocacy for peace and development. He is currently involved in Oxfam's efforts to bring an end to the conflict in Syria. Martin has 25 years of experience working on arms, disarmament and arms control. Martin's research has covered a wide range of nuclear and conventional arms issues on NATO, the EU, the US, the UK, France and others.



JAMIE BRIDGE

International Drugs Policy

Friday - 10:45, E1: 'The War on Drugs' - Small Meeting House

Jamie is the Senior Policy and Operations Manager, having joined IDPC in 2012. He provides key support to the Executive Director in managing secretariat operations, finances and fundraising, with a special focus on Africa and the Middle East. Jamie most recently worked in Geneva at the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria. Prior to that he was at the Harm Reduction International (and is currently on their Board of Directors). Jamie began his career as a drugs worker in the UK, and is currently Chair of the National Needle Exchange Forum in England.



DR JOHN CHISHOLM CBE

British Medical Association

Friday - 10:45, D1: 'The UK Arms Trade' - George Fox Room

John Chisholm has been a member of the BMA's Medical Ethics Committee from 2004 and its Chair since 2014. He has represented the BMA at a number of international human rights conferences, and been a BMA observer at meetings of the International Federation of Health and Human Rights Organisations. He participated in the drafting of the Istanbul Protocol.



PAUL CLIFFORD

The Ammerdown Invitation

Friday - 15:45, B3: 'Redefining Security' - The Bloomsbury Suite

Paul Clifford has 25 years experience working worldwide as a consultant trainer, evaluator and mediator. Paul holds a degree in Russian Studies, a diploma in Counselling, and a master's degree in Public and Social Administration. Paul has facilitated peace dialogues and mediated in Sierra Leone, the Philippines, and in the UK. His evaluation experience covers the rehabilitation of former child soldiers, peacebuilding by indigenous peace monitors, peace advocacy, organisational impact assessment, and a range of peacebuilding programmes. Paul has also undertaken peace and conflict impact assessments of development projects and facilitated strategic lesson learning for organisations working in conflict.



JUNE CROWN

Medact

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June is a long-standing member of Medact and has been its President since 1993. She is a public health physician, and has frequently acted as special advisor to the WHO and overseas governments. She was President of the United Kingdom Faculty of Public Health from 1995 to 1998 and has served as Chairman of Age Concerns England and Trustee of Help the Aged.



MARTIN DREWRY

Health Poverty Action

Friday - 10:45, E1: 'The War on Drugs' - Small Meeting House

Martin was an award-winning grassroots community development worker in the UK, before moving to international development. After a few years as national secretary of World Action, a programme enabling young people and adults to take action for social justice, he spent the next decade as head of campaigns at Christian Aid. Here he played leading roles in Jubilee 2000, Drop the Debt, the Trade Justice Movement and was a coordinator of Make Poverty History. Martin's academic grounding came from the Bradford University School of Peace Studies in the mid-eighties. He became director of Health Poverty Action in April 2006.



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CAROLINE DONNELLAN

Remote Control Project

Friday - 10.45, B1: 'New Weapons and Remote Warfare' - The Bloomsbury Suite



Caroline Donnellan is the Manager of the Remote Control project of the Network for Social Change, which is hosted by Oxford Research Group (ORG). She has a background in multilateral diplomacy and has worked on international security and human rights issues for a number of years. Before joining ORG, she was Senior Policy Advisor to the Ambassador, Irish Permanent Representation to the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) in Vienna. Previously, she worked as Policy Advisor at the Irish Permanent Representation to the Council of Europe in Strasbourg.

DR. CHRISTIAN ENEMARK

Global Health and International Politics, Aberystwyth University

Friday - 13.45, B2: 'Biological and Chemical Warfare' - Bloomsbury Suite



Christian Enemark joined the Department of International Politics in 2013. He was Associate Professor of National Security Policy at Australian National University, and has also worked at the University of Sydney and the University of New South Wales. Christian has been an ANU Visiting Fellow in the John Curtin School of Medical Research (2007 -2009), the Centre for Applied Philosophy and Public Ethics (2009 to 2011), and in 2007-8 was a member of the National Consultative Committee on International Security Issues.

FAWZIA GIBSON-FALL

Global Health, King's College London

Friday - 13.45, C2, Chair: 'On the Frontline of War and Conflict', The Light



Fawzia Gibson-Fall is the Teaching Fellow in Global Health at the King's Centre for Global Health. She holds a BA in Political Science and History from McGill University and an MSc in Global Health with Conflict and Security from KCL. Fawzia worked in media and documentary, acquiring first-hand knowledge of complex emergencies in West and Central Africa. She was an associate producer and a researcher at the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation. Her areas of interest include health communications, biopolitics and health systems in conflict-affected countries. She is currently working on health system strengthening initiatives in the DR Congo.

DR FIONA GODLEE

Editor, The British Medical Journal

Friday - 09.00, Welcome, The Light



Fiona Godlee has been The BMJ's editor in chief since 2005. She qualified as a doctor in 1985, trained as a general physician in Cambridge and London, and is a fellow of the Royal College of Physicians. Since joining The BMJ in 1990 she has written on a broad range of issues, including the impact of environmental degradation on health, and the future of the WHO. She led the development of BMJ Clinical Evidence, which evaluates the best available evidence on the benefits and harms of treatments and is now provided in nine languages worldwide to over a million clinicians.

DR STUART GORDON

London School of Economics

Friday - 13.45, C2: 'On the Frontline of War and Conflict', The Light



Stuart Gordon joined LSE in September 2011. Previously he was at the Royal Military Academy. He co-authored the UK Government's Helmand Road Map - the UK's diplomatic and military strategy for Afghanistan - and was the lead researcher of the Helmand Quick Impact Project Programme Evaluation and the 'Cross Government Working Group on Health and Conflict Report'. During 2003, he was the Operations Director for the US/UK's Iraq Humanitarian Operations Centre in Baghdad with responsibility for restoring Iraq's public food distribution system. He has conducted field research and programme consultancy work in Afghanistan, Iraq, Nepal, Sudan, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Somalia, Cyprus, Croatia and Bosnia-Herzegovina.

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BEN GRIFFIN

Veterans for Peace

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Ben is a former British SAS soldier who refused to return to Iraq and left the Army, citing the "illegal" tactics of United States troops and the policies of coalition forces but also that the invasion itself was contrary to international law. He expected to be court-martialled, but was instead let go with a glowing testimonial from his commanding officer. He spoke to an anti-war rally in 2008 about UK involvement in extraordinary rendition the day before he was served with an injunction preventing him from speaking publicly and from publishing material about his time in the SAS. Griffin founded the UK branch of Veterans for Peace after a chance encounter with a member of the US sister organisation.

PROFESSOR SIR ANDY HAINES

London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine

Saturday Plenary Sessions



Sir Andy Haines is Professor of Public Health and Primary Care at the London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine. He was the Director of the School for 10 years until October 2010. Andy was a member of the UN Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, chaired a Task Force on Health Systems Research for WHO and sits on many national and international committees including, until recently, the WHO Advisory Committee on Health Research. Former chair of its Health and Social Care Policy Committee as well as chair of the MRC Global Health Group, he is currently a member of the UK Board.

LAYTH HANBALI

Medsin

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Layth Hanbali is the National Director of Medsin-UK, the largest student global health network in the UK. His main passion is around the role of civil society, particularly students, in advocating for social and political change to achieve social justice. He has previously been Regional Coordinator for the South East in Medsin and President of the UCL Branch. He is currently in his final year of medicine at UCL, and has a BSc in Global Health, also for UCL.

DR. IRA HELFAND

International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War

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Ira Helfand is the Past President of Physicians for Social Responsibility and is currently the Co-President at International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War. He has worked for many years as an emergency room physician and now practices internal medicine at an urgent care center in Springfield, MA. He is an expert in nuclear nonproliferation and disarmament.

KAT HOBBS

Campaign Against Arms Trade (CAAT)

Friday - 10:45, D1: 'The UK Arms Trade' - Small Meeting House



Kat is the Local Outreach Coordinator at Campaign Against Arms Trade, and works with a variety of local groups and networks across the UK to support effective grassroots action against the arms trade, from lobbying MPs and putting pressure on decision makers to take direct action and protest. CAAT is a non-hierarchical organisation and works as part of the broader UK anti-militarist movement, supporting a variety of groups to target their local arms companies, break links between public institutions and the arms trade, and take part in national demonstrations.

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DR PAUL HOLTOM

Coventry University

Friday - 15.45, D3: 'Controlling the International Arms Trade', George Fox Room

Prior to joining Coventry University in 2014, Paul Holtom was a senior researcher at the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI) during 2006-2013 and Director of SIPRI's Arms Transfers Programme between 2009 and 2013. He has spent the past decade working with various governments, UN agencies, international and regional organisations and non-governmental organisations to conduct research into, and build capacity to address, the illicit trade and uncontrolled proliferation of conventional arms.



NATASHA HORSFIELD

Health Poverty Action (HPA)

Friday - 10.45, E1, Chair: 'The War on Drugs', Small Meeting House



Natasha Horsfield is Advocacy Officer for HPA where she leads their work on development and drug policy, advocating for UK development sector engagement in drug policy reform. She holds an MSc in Violence, Conflict and Development from the School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS) and a BA (Hons) in International Development with International Relations from the University of Leeds.

DR RICHARD HORTON

Editor-in-Chief, The Lancet

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Dr Richard Horton was born in London and qualified in medicine from the University of Birmingham in 1986. He completed his general medical training in Birmingham before moving to the liver unit at the Royal Free Hospital. In 1990, he joined The Lancet as an assistant editor and moved to New York as North American editor in 1993. Two years later he returned to the UK to become Editor-in-Chief of the Lancet journal. He was the first President of the World Association of Medical Editors and is a Past-President of the US Council of Science Editors. Richard has been a medical columnist for The Observer and writes regularly for the Times Literary Supplement and New York Review of Books.



KATE HUDSON

Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament

Friday - 13.45, A2: 'Unpicking Nuclear Deterrence Theory', Room 1



Kate Hudson is a leading anti-nuclear and anti-war campaigner nationally and internationally. Since 2010, she has been General Secretary of the Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament, and was Chair of the campaign from 2003-2010. Hudson is a regular contributor to Al Jazeera, where she has written op-eds on many international security issues, including NATO, Iran, Middle East security and UK nuclear policy. As well as keeping a regular blog for CND, Kate also writes frequently for Huffington Post, New Statesman and The Guardian.

PAUL INGRAM

Executive Director, British American Security Information Council (BASIC)

Friday - 13.45, A2: 'Unpicking Nuclear Deterrence Theory', Room 1

Paul Ingram is BASIC's executive director, developing BASIC's long-term strategy to help reduce global nuclear dangers through disarmament and collaborative non-proliferation, coordinating operations in London and Washington. In particular, he leads on BASIC's work as host to the BASIC Trident Commission in London, BASIC's NATO programme, and work in the Middle East. Paul has authored a number of BASIC's reports and briefings covering a variety of nuclear and non-nuclear issues since 2002.



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DR RACHEL JULIAN

Lecturer, Leeds Beckett University

Friday - 15.45, B3: 'Redefining Security', The Bloomsbury Suite

Dr Rachel Julian's roles have included peace campaigning, education, social enterprise and community development as a Fundraising Director for Nonviolent Peaceforce, an evaluator for an International Peace Bureau project, Coordinator in a Community Foundation, and a Trustee for a new Community Centre. She teaches and lectures on nonviolence and social movements, working with a range of peace and justice organisations. She is a member of the Conflict Research Society, and the Institute of Fundraising.



DR MARIA KETT

Leonard Cheshire Centre for Disability

Friday - 15.45, C3: 'Health Impacts of War and Conflict', The Light



Dr Maria Kett has a particular interest in disability-related issues in situations of disaster and conflict. Her other main research interests include social exclusion; psychosocial impacts of conflict; effects of displacement, measures to alleviate poverty, and broader issues around development and human rights. She has undertaken work in countries including Bosnia, Azerbaijan, Sierra Leone, Sudan, Sri Lanka, Pakistan and Liberia. She is Editorial Representative on the Conflict and Catastrophe Forum at the Royal Society of Medicine and the co-editor of the journal Medicine, Conflict and Survival.

DANNY KUSHLICK

Director, Transform Drug Policy

Friday - 10.45, E1: 'The War on Drugs', Small Meeting House

Danny founded Transform Drug Policy Foundation in 1997, after working in a variety of jobs in the drugs field. It was the experience of his clients that led him to the understanding that prohibition is a social policy catastrophe. He worked for Bristol Drugs Project, the Big Issue Foundation, Bath Area Drugs Advisory Service and the National Association for the Care and Resettlement of Offenders (NACRO). He is now an internationally recognised commentator on drug and drug policy issues.



ELLI KYTÖMAKI

Chatham House

Friday - 15.45, D3: 'Controlling the International Arms Trade', George Fox Room



Elli Kytömäki is an independent policy analyst and researcher working on disarmament and arms control issues, most notably related to conventional arms control and nuclear non-proliferation. Elli was the project manager at the UN Institute for Disarmament Research for projects supporting the negotiations towards the Arms Trade Treaty. During her career, Elli has also worked at Conflict Prevention Center of the OSCE Secretariat, the research institute Small Arms Survey, the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs, and the Permanent Mission of Finland to the UN Conference on Disarmament.

DR FRANCES MACGUIRE

Friday - 13.45, D2: 'Climate Change and Conflict', George Fox Room

Frances MacGuire started researching climate change over 25 years ago as the ecologist on the UK's first risk assessment of sea level rise. This work underpinned a journey through climate change science, impacts, solutions and campaigns with UEA, Friends of the Earth (FoE), Greenpeace and the RSPB at local, regional, national and international levels. For FoE, Frances coordinated a team of international grassroots activists at the UN Kyoto negotiations to raise issues of equity, capacity building and real participation for low income countries and indigenous people in the UN process. Their work highlighted the potential of environmental and climate degradation to create refugees. Subsequently she led GP campaigns on Kyoto, shale oil, renewables and climate impacts in Australia and the South Pacific.



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DR DAVID MCCOY

Director, Medact

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Dr David McCoy is a public health physician and academic. He spent his first fifteen years working in clinical medicine and health systems development, mostly in South Africa. Since then he has been based in London, working on various aspects of global health, and as a public health specialist in the NHS where he was a Director of Public Health in London. He is currently split between a post at Queen Mary's University and his position as Director of Medact. David was co-Managing Editor of the first two alternative world health reports (Global Health Watch), is a member of the Board of Trustees of the New Economic Foundation, and is a member of the Steering Committee of the People's Health Movement.



LESLEY MORRISON

MedAct

Friday - 10.45, A1: 'Health Professionals and Nuclear Disarmament' - Room 1

Dr Lesley Morrison is a GP and long-standing Medact member. She has been involved in nuclear disarmament campaigning since the 1980s and regularly takes part in demonstrations at Faslane, Scotland - home to the UK's nuclear submarines.



DR VIVIENNE NATHANSON

Former British Medical Association

Saturday - 12.00: 'Responding to War, Conflict and Militarisation as a Health Community', The Light

Dr Vivienne Nathanson is Senior Director at the British Medical Association. For much of her time working at the association Vivienne has been responsible for the health of the public, ethics and human rights. In doing so she has worked closely with a series of BMA presidents and continues to do so. She is currently working with Sir Michael Marmot and the Institute for Health Equity and also with the International Committee of the Red Cross for whom she regularly lectures and writes.



JUSTINE NAMAKULA

Makerere University School of Public Health in Uganda

Friday - 10.45, C1: 'Public Health in Conflict Zones', The Light

Justine Namakula is currently a research fellow on ReBUILD project, an arm of the ReBUILD consortium Uganda. She is a social scientist with training in sociology, social administration and gender and development studies and is currently working on her PhD which investigates the role of the private sector in rebuilding health systems during recovery from conflict. Justine was part of the team that worked on the second National Strategic plan of action for Orphans and Vulnerable Children 2010-2011.



ANDREW NOAKES

Nigeria Security Network

Friday - 10.45, B1: 'New Weapons and Remote Warfare', The Bloomsbury Suite

Andrew Noakes is the founding Director of the Nigeria Security Network. He has worked for Amnesty International and Save the Children, and is a graduate of the War Studies Department at King's College London. He works at the intersection of human rights and security, focusing on the strategic value of human rights in counter-terrorism.



RICHARD NORTON-TAYLOR

The Guardian

Friday - 13.45, A2: 'Unpicking Nuclear Deterrence Theory', Room 1

Richard Norton-Taylor writes for the Guardian on defence and security and until recently was the paper's security editor. He is a regular broadcaster. He joined the Guardian in 1973 as the newspaper's first European correspondent based in Brussels. He returned to Britain in 1975. He won the Freedom of Information Campaign Award in 1986 and in 1994, and Liberty's Human Rights Award for journalism in 2010. He edits the Guardian Defence and Security blog with Ewen MacAskill.



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DR PREETI PATEL

Lecturer, KCL - Global Health and Security

Friday - 10.45, C1, Chair: 'Public Health in Conflict Zones', The Light

Dr Preeti Patel is lecturer in Global Health & Security in the Department of War Studies since 2008 and a member of the Global Health Advisory Board and Co-Director of the Conflict and Health Research Group at KCL. Prior to joining King's College, she worked as a Lecturer in Global Health Policy at the London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine. Dr Patel has a PhD in Political Science (The Politics of Health in Kenya, 1989-2000) from the University of London, a MA in International Relations and a BSc in Economics.



RICHARD REEVE

Director, Sustainable Security Programme, Oxford Research Group

Friday - 10.45, B1: 'New Weapons and Remote Warfare', Bloomsbury Suite

Richard Reeve is the Coordinator of ORG and Director of its Sustainable Security Programme. Richard has particular expertise in UK defence policy, Sub-Saharan Africa, peace and conflict analysis, and the security perspectives of regional organisations and rising powers. Prior to joining ORG, Richard was Head of Research at International Alert, where he managed work on conflict analysis, justice and security system reform, climate change and security, and gender and conflict. He was previously a Research Fellow at the Humanitarian Futures Programme, King's College London, an Associate Fellow of the Africa Programme at Chatham House, and Africa Security Editor at Jane's Information Group.



ANDREW RIGBY

The Ammerdown Invitation

Friday - 15.45, B3: 'Redefining Security', Bloomsbury Suite

Andrew Rigby is Emeritus Professor of Peace Studies at Coventry University. He was a Reader in Peace Studies at the Bradford University School of Peace Studies, before becoming the founding Director of the Centre for Peace and Reconciliation Studies at Coventry University.



PROFESSOR PAUL ROGERS

Bradford School of Peace Studies and Oxford Research Group

Friday - 09.30, Opening Plenary and 10.45, B1: 'New Weapons and Remote Warfare', Bloomsbury Suite

Professor Paul Rogers is Oxford Research Group's (ORG) Global Security Consultant. He has worked in the field of international security, arms control and political violence for over 30 years. Paul is Professor of Peace Studies at the University of Bradford. He lectures at universities and defence colleges in several countries and has written or edited 26 books, including 'Losing Control: Global Security in the 21st Century' and 'Why We're Losing the War on Terror'. He writes Monthly Briefings analysing the international security situation. Paul is also a regular commentator on global security issues in both the national and international media, and is Open Democracy's International Security Editor.



PROFESSOR TILMAN ALFRED RUFF

International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War, International Board

Friday - 10.45, A1: 'Health Professionals and Nuclear Disarmament', Room 1

Professor Tilman Alfred Ruff AM is an Australian public health and infectious diseases physician who has focused his efforts on immunization and "the global health imperative to eradicate nuclear weapons." He is an Associate Professor at the Nossal Institute for Global Health, University of Melbourne. He is also the Australian chair of the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN), and has written extensively on nuclear issues, including the hazards of ionizing radiation, nuclear weapons, nuclear war and nuclear famine.



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DR SIMON RUSHTON

University of Sheffield, Department of Politics

Friday - 13.45, B2: 'Biological and Chemical Warfare' - Bloomsbury Suite

Simon Rushton is a faculty research fellow in the Department of Politics at The University of Sheffield. He was previously a research fellow in the Centre for Health and International Relations at Aberystwyth University. He has written widely on international responses to HIV/AIDS and other diseases; the links between health and security; the changing nature of global health governance; and issues surrounding health, conflict and post-conflict reconstruction. He edits the journal *Medicine, Conflict & Survival*. Simon received his LLB and MA from the University of Hull, and a PhD from Aberystwyth University.



MAREIKE SCHOMERUS

UK Research Fellow Conflict and Security, Overseas Development Institute

Friday - 10.45, C1: 'Public Health in Conflict Zones', *The Light*

Mareike Schomerus' research interests include the dynamics of conflict resolution, the violence of democratization, civilian security, and the impact of living in militarised situations on personal lives. She also has a particular interest in how knowledge is created, shared and shaped.



FIKR SHALTOOT [SKYPE]

Medical Aid for Palestinians

Friday - 13.45, C2: 'On the Frontline of War and Conflict', *The Light*

Fikr Shalltoot is the Director of Programmes in Gaza for Medical Aid for Palestinians. She previously trained as a neonatal nurse, and was studied for a Master's in Public Health/Health Behaviour in the US. Fikr has worked for MAP for the past 12 years, and previously worked for UNFPA, Save the Children, and taught at the School of Public Health at Al Quds University in Gaza. She was born in Al Maghazi Refugee Camp in the Middle Area of Gaza, and now lives in Gaza City.



REBECCA SHARKEY

International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons UK

Friday - 15.45, A3: 'The Humanitarian Initiative to Ban Nuclear Weapons', Room 1

Rebecca Sharkey is UK Co-ordinator for the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN), a global coalition of more than 400 civil society organisations in nearly 100 countries campaigning for a new treaty to ban and eliminate nuclear weapons as an urgent humanitarian imperative. Rebecca has worked on campaigns, communications, research and outreach at NGOs such as Freedom From Torture, the National Secular Society and the National Coalition for Independent Action.



DAN SMITH [VIDEO RECORDING]

International Alert

Saturday Plenary Sessions

Dan Smith was Secretary General of International Alert from 2003 until August 2015. Having graduated in 1973 from Cambridge University where he read English Literature, Dan's work on peace issues started when he began research on UK defence policies in 1976. Prior to joining Alert Dan held a number of senior positions, most notably as Director of the International Peace Research Institute in Oslo. At Alert he produced the path-breaking *A Climate of Conflict* (2007) report on the links between climate change, peace and war and continues to lead the organisation's advocacy on a range of issues critical to the reduction of conflict and building of peace. Dan is also Professor of Peace and Conflict at the University of Manchester.



BIOGRAPHIES

DR BEYZA UNAL

Chatham House

Friday - 15.45, A3: 'The Humanitarian Initiative', Room 1

Beyza Unal is a research fellow with the International Security Department at Chatham House. She specializes in nuclear weapons policies and her current research explores humanitarian impacts of nuclear weapons testing. She formerly worked in the Strategic Analysis Branch at NATO Allied Command and Transformation, taught International Relations, transcribed interviews on Turkish political history, and served as an international election observer during the 2010 Iraqi parliamentary elections. She has received funding from the US Department of Energy to participate in workshops in Brookhaven National Laboratory and James Martin Centre for Nonproliferation Studies.



PHIL VERNON

International Alert

Friday - 15.45, B3: 'Redefining Security', Bloomsbury Suite



Phil Vernon is International Alert's Director of Programmes and acting CEO. Phil joined Alert in 2004, prior to which he had worked in development, humanitarian and peacebuilding work in Africa since 1985. Initially a forester by training, with an MSc from the University of North Wales, his interest in conflict and peacebuilding was triggered by the experience of living in Rwanda from 1992-1994. From 2000-2004 he was Country Director of Care International in Uganda, and played an active role in research and advocacy on the northern Uganda conflict, helping to establish and lead the Civil Society Organisations for Peace in Northern Uganda coalition.

JANANI VIVEKANANDA

International Alert

Friday - 13.45, D2: 'Climate Change and Conflict', George Fox Room

Janani Vivekananda is responsible for research on climate change, environmental and natural resource related dimensions of peacebuilding and security at Alert. Previously, she was a Disaster Risk Reduction Adviser at Plan International UK, Security and Peacebuilding Programme Officer at International Alert, and a consultant on conflict analysis and aid effectiveness for SNV Nepal and the UNDP in Nepal. She has an MSc in Violence, Conflict and Development from the School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS) and a BA in Politics, Philosophy and Economics from New College, Oxford University.



SARAH WALDRON

Campaign Against Arms Trade (CAAT)

Friday - 10.45, D1: 'The UK Arms Trade' - Small Meeting House



Sarah is the Core Campaign Coordinator at Campaign Against Arms Trade. Campaign Against Arms Trade (CAAT) is a UK-based organisation working to end the international arms trade. As Core Campaigns Coordinator, Sarah works on research, strategy and tactics for CAAT's national campaigns. In this role she has built links with anti-militarist activists and organisations around the world, led successful campaigns for divestment in the arms trade, and worked with UK activists on the recent Stop the Arms Fair protests against the DSEI arms fair in London.

MIRI WEINGARTEN

Medact and Physicians for Human Rights Israel

Saturday Plenary Sessions

Miri Weingarten has worked for Physicians for Human Rights-Israel (PHR-Israel) for 13 years. Since moving to London in 2009 Miri has led the EU and UN advocacy work of PHR-Israel and a coalition of Israeli and Palestinian human rights organisations. Miri reported on the fact-finding medical speakers tour in the UK; she authored the Israel chapter of Medact's 2011 report *Preventing Torture* and has since engaged in advocacy for adoption of its conclusions with the UN Special Rapporteur mission to Gaza following Israel's 2008-2009 military offensive.



BIOGRAPHIES

DOUG WEIR

Toxic Remnants of War Project

Friday - 15.45, C3: 'Assessing the Health Impacts of War and Conflict', The Light

Doug Weir manages the Toxic Remnants of War Project which explores state responsibility for the toxic legacy of military activities and the environmental and humanitarian impact of conflict.



DR JULIA WELLAND

University of Warwick

Friday - 13.45, E2: 'Gender, Militarism and Violence (Part One)', Small Meeting House

Julia Welland joined PAIS as a Teaching Fellow in 2013 and is module director for International Security and the undergraduate dissertation coordinator. Previous to Warwick she undertook a PhD in the Politics Department at the University of Manchester and taught modules introducing the study of international politics, on critical approaches to international politics, and on gender and international politics. Her research interests include: Feminist approaches to international politics and its intersection with postcolonialism and Queer Theory, Masculinities and femininities, Militarism and militarisation, Critical Military Studies and Poststructural approaches to international politics.



HANNAH WRIGHT

Saferworld

Friday, Small Meeting House - 13.45 and 15.45, E2 & E3: 'Gender, Militarism and Violence'

Hannah is a member of Saferworld's policy team, focussing on their policy work on gender, peace and security. She joined in 2010 as a member of the UK advocacy team. Hannah previously spent two years working as a policy researcher in the UK Parliament with a focus on foreign policy. Prior to that, she worked in the Occupied Palestinian Territories assisting women's rights organisations with advocacy capacity building and conducting research on the Palestinian women's movement. She holds a BA (Hons) in Philosophy, Politics and Economics from the University of Oxford and an MSc in Gender and International Relations from the University of Bristol.



DR HAJA WURIE-KAMARA

College of Medicine and Allied Health Sciences in Freetown

Friday - 10.45, C1: 'Public Health in Conflict Zones', The Light

Dr Wurie-Kamara is a health systems researcher at ReBUILD (Research Consortium hosted by the College of Medicine and Allied Health Sciences in Sierra Leone). Dr Wurie-Kamara is an active force in health sector systems strengthening in Sierra Leone.



WILBERT VAN DER ZEIJDEN

Nuclear Disarmament at PAX

Friday - 15.45, A3: 'A New Treaty Banning Nuclear Weapons', Room 1

Wilbert van der Zeijden is the senior researcher of the Security and Disarmament team of PAX. Wilbert currently focusses on getting US nuclear weapons out of Europe; WMD out of the Middle East and your savings out of nuclear weapons producing companies. He graduated at the Vrije Universiteit in Amsterdam and previously worked for about nine years for the think-tank Transnational Institute, as their Peace and Security Programme coordinator. Wilbert's research interests include humanitarian disarmament, NATO and European security, toxic legacies of war and developments in international military infrastructure.



EATING, DRINKING & SNACKS

The times of the breaks for tea & coffee, lunch & dinner are detailed in this programme on pages four and five. We hope you enjoy the refreshments. All of the food and drink at Friend's House is ethically and sustainably sourced, using fairly traded, local, organic, free range and sustainable products.

Tea and Coffee

Tea and coffee will be served in the mornings before the main plenary sessions, as well as on Friday afternoon and Saturday mid-morning. In addition, hot drinks and snacks are available to buy throughout the conference from the Friends House cafe.



Packed Lunch (Included in ticket cost)

Because of the large number of people, we will be serving lunch as packed lunches - these will be on tables outside of The Light during the lunch breaks. All of the packed lunches are vegetarian. If you noted a special dietary requirement when registering, these will be placed on a separately marked table in the West Corridor. Please take your lunch quickly and find a seat around Friends House - including in The Light, or other rooms. Please be mindful not to leave litter behind in any of the rooms - bins can be found in the corridors and all around the building.



Dinner (Not included in ticket cost)

Dinner on Friday and Saturday evenings is not included in the ticket cost. However, Friends House does have an amazing restaurant in the basement (see the map of the back of this booklet) with a selection of affordable hot meals. The café will also be open to serve soup, sandwiches and quiche, - with soup at £2.55, and sandwiches from £2.50. There will be an express tea and coffee point in the East Corridor which will also serve sandwiches and soup. Please stay for some food before our evening events (see page 11).



MAP OF FRIENDS HOUSE

2	Second floor
	Elizabeth Fry Suite (1 & 2)
	Margaret Fell
	George Fox
	William Penn Suite (1 & 2)
1	First floor
	Room 1
	Room 1A
	Room 2
	Room 3
	Room 4
	Room 5
	Room 6
	SMH
THE LIGHT	The Light (Upper Level)
G	Ground floor
	Bloomsbury Suite (A & B)
	Endsleigh Suite (C, D & E)
THE LIGHT	The Light
	Courtyard
Quaker Centre	Café / Bookshop / Worship space
LG	Lower Ground floor
	Drayton 1
	Drayton 2
	Drayton 3
Key	
	Toilets
	Accessible toilets
	Stairs
	Lifts
	Accessible lift
	Restaurant
	Café
	Cloakroom (The Light)

