

Mayors for Peace



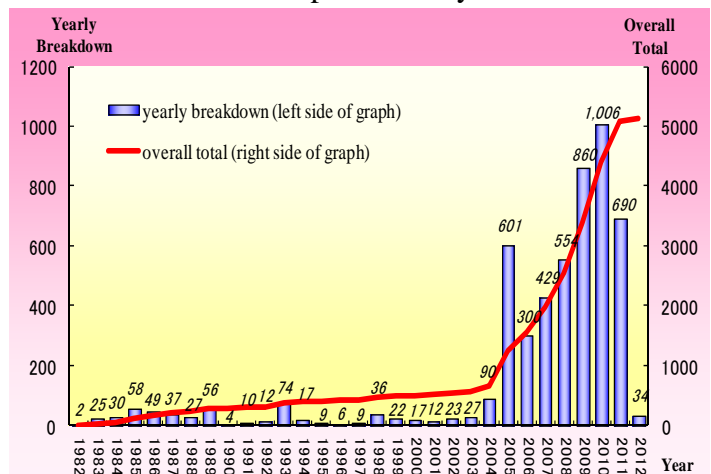
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Mayors for Peace was established in 1982 by Hiroshima and Nagasaki with a goal of realization of lasting world peace through inter-city solidarity around the globe promoting the efforts to raise a public consciousness of the need to abolish nuclear weapons. We were registered as a NGO in Special Consultative Status with the United Nations Economic and Social Council in May 1991.

Member Cities (February 1, 2012)

Area	Member	
Asia	30 countries & regions	1,541 Cities
Oceania	9 countries & regions	127 Cities
Africa	42 countries & regions	329 Cities
Europe (CIS)	45 countries	2,335 Cities
North America	3 countries & regions	288 Cities
Latin America and the Caribbean	24 countries & regions	506 Cities
Total	153 countries & regions	5,126 Cities

Membership Growth by Year



Major Activities

Mayors for Peace conducts the following activities through cooperating member cities.

- 1) Calls worldwide for solidarity among cities
- 2) Conducts 2020 Vision Campaign to eliminate nuclear weapons by the year 2020
- 3) Promote petition drive calling for a Nuclear Weapons Convention
- 4) Presents and appeals to the United Nations and each state regarding the elimination of nuclear weapons and promotion of disarmament and reports the results
- 5) Publishes a newsletter
- 6) Sends Hiroshima and Nagasaki Peace Declarations to member cities and allies
- 7) Holds a General Conference once every four years
- 8) Holds an Executive Meeting once every two years



Participants of the 8th Executive Conference

Executive Cities

President	Hiroshima (Japan)	Executives	Fongo-Tongo (Cameroon)
Vice Presidents	Nagasaki (Japan)		Montreal (Canada)
	Akron (U.S.A.)		Mexico City (Mexico)
	Biograd na Moru (Croatia)		Montevideo (Uruguay)
	Brussels (Belgium)		
	Florence (Italy)		
	Granollers (Spain)		
	Halabja (Iraq)		
	Hannover (Germany)		
	Malakoff (France)		
	Manchester (U.K.)		
	Muntinlupa (Philippines)		
	Volgograd (Russia)		
	Ypres (Belgium)		

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The 2020 Vision

(An Emergency Campaign to Ban Nuclear Weapons)

1 2020 Vision (established in November 2004, revised in November 2011)

Mayors for Peace launched an “Emergency Campaign to Ban Nuclear Weapons” to raise public demand for the abolition of nuclear weapons and promote actions to convey that demand to each nation state. That campaign set forth our “2020 Vision,” a program to eliminate all nuclear weapons by the year 2020. Based on this vision, we will continue to work with cities, citizens, NGOs and other organizations around the world to develop initiatives that promote the abolition of nuclear weapons,

Objectives

1) Immediately de-alert all nuclear weapons

Even today, thousands of nuclear weapons around the world stand ready to launch on warning. This level of alert is madness, and stepping down is the quickest, easiest way to prevent an accidental nuclear holocaust.

2) Immediately start substantive negotiations toward a universal nuclear weapons convention

After repeated promises at NPT Review Conferences and other occasions by the nuclear-weapon states to eliminate their nuclear arsenals, we call on national governments to start substantive negotiations now to achieve a nuclear weapons convention.

3) Conclusion of a nuclear weapons convention by 2015

We call on national governments and other institutions to work toward conclusion of a nuclear weapons convention by 2015 that comprehensively bans manufacture, possession, and use of nuclear weapons.

4) Physical destruction of all nuclear weapons by 2020

The weapons can be destroyed. Fissile materials can be rendered unusable. Strict international control is technically feasible. A nuclear-weapon-free world is possible.

2 Mayor Activities

- 1) Develop a global grassroots petition drive conducted by all member cities calling for negotiations on a nuclear weapons convention, and submit those petitions to the most appropriate authorities.
- 2) Instill a sense of urgency and stimulate momentum toward convening a high-level meeting of governments and experts in Hiroshima concurrent with the 8th General Conference of Mayors for Peace in August 2013.
- 3) Commemorate the 5000-city milestone with a new poster exhibit to directly inform millions of citizens on the impact of nuclear attack on a city; the impact of nuclear war on catastrophic climate change resulting in global famine; the diversion of economic and human resources from urban, human needs to nuclear weapons and related military spending; and the role city leaders strive to play through the 2020 Vision Campaign of Mayors for Peace.
- 4) Strengthen and broaden strategic alliances with international NGOs.
- 5) Issue letters of request and/or statements calling for a world free from nuclear weapons to be sent to appropriate recipients at appropriate times and in effective ways.
- 6) Work with member cities, NGOs and concerned citizens in specific regions to develop effective means to influence their governments to work for the abolition of nuclear weapons, and to promote regional activities in support of concrete actions.
- 7) Create mayoral delegations and develop initiatives calling for the abolition of nuclear weapons at the Preparatory Committee Meetings in 2012, 2013 and 2014 and at the 2015 NPT Review Conference.
- 8) Identify celebrities and other opinion leaders who support the 2020 Vision and appointment to serve as 2020 Vision Ambassadors.



The 8th Executive Conference of Mayors for Peace