

**PAYX**

# ABOUT

**PAX means peace. PAX brings together people who have the courage to stand for peace. Together with people in conflict areas and concerned citizens worldwide, PAX works to build just and peaceful societies across the globe.**



# NUCLEAR WEAPONS AND

- **No Nukes:** Pax's campaign for a world free of nuclear weapons.
- **No Nukes** seeks opportunities to strengthen the global non-proliferation regime and to accelerate global nuclear disarmament by stigmatizing, outlawing and eliminating nuclear weapons.



# NUCLEAR STRATEGY OF

- PAX is an International Steering Group member of ICAN, the leading global campaign coalition behind the ban on nuclear weapons.
- The PAX No Nukes team publishes studies and policy recommendations and coordinates Dutch national efforts related to international campaigns. PAX also works behind the scenes at international conferences.



# SUCCESSFUL EFFORTS BY

- Engaging with civil society to create awareness.
- Campaign ‘Don’t Bank on the Bomb’.
- Recent report (2018): 329 financial institutions invested US\$ 525 billion in 20 nuclear weapon producers between 2014 and 2017.



# Nuclear Diplomacy Crash Course

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# DESCRIPTION

- ◆ **The Nuclear Diplomacy Crash Course is a nuclear disarmament education programme for 10-15 selected students organized by PAX. The PAX No Nukes team informs, mobilizes and speaks out for nuclear disarmament.**
- ◆ **PAX wants to offer a platform for young and motivated students to learn about nuclear disarmament and to get involved in the diplomacy surrounding nuclear weapons.**



# THE 2018 EDITION

- ◆ 15 participants.
- ◆ Participants from Germany, France, Bulgaria, Egypt, South Korea and the Netherlands.
- ◆ Students with a background in political science, international relations, philosophy and communication science.





# HOLLANDITIS?

- ◆ Nuclear weapons in The Netherlands are a public secret.
- ◆ Around twenty US nuclear weapons are stored at the Volkel air base.
- ◆ The Dutch government participated in the negotiations on the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear weapons, but as the treaty explicitly prohibits the hosting of nuclear weapons, it is not yet ready to join.



# HOW DID WE ENGAGE?

- ◆ Interacting with think tanks –  
Clingendael
- ◆ Visiting nuclear energy facilities – NRG  
Petten
- ◆ Having discussions with the Dutch  
Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- ◆ Meeting members of the International  
Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons
- ◆ Last, but not least: participating in the  
NPT PrepCom 2018

