



THE TENTH NPT REVIEW CONFERENCE: EMPOWERING EMERGING VOICES

31 March 2021 | 10:30 am - 12:15 pm (NY)

How: Zoom

Register online by 5:00 pm (NY) on 29 March.

You will then receive an email with instructions on joining the meeting. Due to space constraints, participants are encouraged to register as soon as possible.

As we approach the Tenth Review Conference for the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons, it is becoming apparent that the wellbeing of the NPT regime into the second half of the 21st century will depend upon the work and expertise of an emerging generation of ethically-motivated professionals. Empowering them now is a vital step in guiding their future leadership.

Young people bring important and fresh perspectives to the cause of a world free of nuclear weapons. As UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres said, they have "proved their power time and again in support of the cause of disarmament."

The Emerging Voices Network (EVN) is a digital, global network of high-potential, next-generation leaders on nuclear disarmament, non-proliferation and the peaceful uses of nuclear energy. It brings together a diverse cohort representing more than 40 countries and all regions of the world. Divided across seven working groups, the EVN has been developing ideas on critical topics in nuclear policy, from diversity and inclusion to disruptive technologies and the Non-Proliferation Treaty itself.

This event will provide the EVN Working Group Chairs with a vital opportunity to share that work, and demonstrate the value that this younger cohort of professionals in nuclear can offer to the expert community more broadly, injecting much-needed demographic and cognitive diversity, and with it, new ideas, creative problem solving, and more inclusive outcomes.

Co-organized by the United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs and BASIC, this event aims to empower young voices and facilitate a conversation between senior policy makers and future leaders in pursuit of a strengthened NPT.

Speakers will engage in a moderated discussion, followed by a Q&A session with the audience.

CHAIR: MR. KEVIN HAMILTON Director General for International Security Policy at Global Affairs Canada SPEAKERS: MS. IZUMI NAKAMITSU United Nations Under-Secretary-General and High Representative for Disarmament Affairs AMBASSADOR GUSTAVO ZLAUVINEN Argentina, President-designate of the Tenth NPT Review Conference SPEAKERS: Chairs of the Emerging Voices Network Working Groups