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Invitation and program for the antinuclear international Summer camp 2018 near Narbonne (South of France)

Rencontres antinucléaires internationales 2018

*International antinuclear summer camp 2018*

Collectif Sortir du nucléaire Aude (SDN11)

(in partnership with Nuclear Heritage Network)

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**Updates about the International Anti-Nuclear Summer Camp 2018**

At l'Olivette de Langel, Armissan (11110) on departmental road n31, France, August 6-12, 2018

Dear anti-nuclear activists, groups and interested people,

We want to invite you to share your knowledge, experiences, and a warm feeling of resistance at our international Anti-nuclear Summer Camp near Narbonne, France, from August 6-12, 2018.

Our group is made up of independent anti-nuclear activists from around the world, and we organize now a gathering for international networking and the sharing of knowledge and experiences related to anti-nuclear topics. In addition to this, we wish to incorporate the fun and exciting feeling of a summer camp to the time we spend together.
The summer camp will be structured now with four main topics:

1.) The first topic will be the uranium conversion facility of the company Orano (formerly Areva) in Narbonne-Malvisi. We think it is important to support the local groups and to share knowledge about developments in uranium conversion processes like the disposal of radioactive waste. During the camp there will be at least one action day against the nuclear industries in Narbonne or close to Narbonne.

2.) The second topic will be safety issues associated with the transport of uranium and its by-products across the nuclear fuel chain including radioactive waste.

3.) The third topic is the health impact of the Orano vaporization project.

4.) The fourth topic is nuclear weapons because of the memorial dates for Nagasaki and Hiroshima. Our camp will coincide with the anniversaries of the atomic bomb drops on Hiroshima and Nagasaki on August 6th and 9th, respectively. Thus, we wish to take this opportunity to remember the high death toll of the atomic bomb, and to stress the dangers of nuclear war.

Within the program there is space and time to share experiences and knowledge, and to prepare projects or campaigns. We also want to create space for informal meet & greets, artistic & cultural exchanges, siestas and little feasts. We have already some inquiries from different artistic groups to join the camp. And there is already a good feedback from different people from France, Japan, Russia, USA, Spain, the Netherlands, Belgium and Germany, who confirmed their participation to our summercamp. Spanish group members from Movimiento Ibrico Antinuclear (MIA) want to join us in Narbonne, too. Now it's a great pleasure for us, that we can announce local music bands playing at least on two evenings at our campsite and there will be films screened at the camp. On other evenings we want to provide the opportunity to show films from your current anti-nuclear work - so please bring your films to the camp.

We still need your support for anti-nuclear workshops, lectures and discussions! Please don't hesitate to write us, if you can manage to hold for example, a workshop! Everyone is welcome to offer workshops or presentations on nuclear topics. We hope many participants will talk about the anti-nuclear struggles or about the nuclear policy in their regions. There will be the possibility to have 2 workshop slots in the morning and 1 or 2 workshop slots in the afternoon. Several workshops during one timeslot will be held in parallel. Because of the heat in this area, there will be a longer break at lunch time, so the afternoon program starts at the end of the afternoon. Also, we seek your support to make the collective action day(s) successful.

For our camping needs we will construct some infrastructure on the olive grove, such as our own vegetarian / vegan kitchen, compost toilets, solar showers etc. We want to organize whispering-translations (non-professional) in the workshops and presentations for Spanish, French and English speakers or more with your help.

The campsite will be at a lovely field on a olive grove in Langel. However, the drought and heat in the region are a cause of concern, as the small trees only provide little shade and thus the risk of wildfire is significant. That's why we all must act responsibly and minimize any risks of fire. Some thing you can do to help us prepare the camp is to bring solar umbrellas/sails (for shade), organic insect
repellent and fire extinguishers if you have any available.

In terms of cost, there will be a fee of 7 euros for each meal. We will have a bar for selling hot and cold drinks. And open pricing for breakfast and other services expenses at the summer camp. If you are in a financially difficult situation, you can ask us for a reduced fee.

If you're traveling from European countries, we invite you to NOT travel by plane!

Bring your own tents, sleeping bags, musical instruments or your cabaret art to this summer camp.

For those of you who are looking for a more comfortable accommodation, we advise you to contact the tourist information in Narbonne (https://www.narbonne-tourisme.com). If interested, react quickly as there is a heavy touristic pressure on this area in summer. And some activist hosting will be available in the area. Please let us know in advance if interested.

Please promote the International Anti-nuclear Summer Camp 2018 to your networks!

https://camp2018.nuclearheritage.net

If you are interested in the camp or in supporting it, please get in touch with us via the contact email address:

camp2018 AT nuclear-heritage DOT net

Please send registration emails with the number of attendees and planned dates to:

camp-registration AT nuclear-heritage DOT net

or andre.lariviere AT free DOT fr

Solidarity from the Anti-nuclear Summer Camp organizers!

P.S. : About Orano (formerly Areva) in Narbonne-Malvsi:

The uranium conversion facility Narbonne-Malvsi (3 km away from downtown Narbonne) is supposed to process 21,000 tons every year to uranium tetrafluoride (UF4) in the next years. Also, Orano wants to make money with the vaporizing of liquid radioactive waste into the atmosphere in a "clean" process. And Orano wants to sell this new process to other companies. Orano for the next 40 years or more has the permission to emit radioactive gases from more than 350,000 m³ liquid radioactive waste into the atmosphere. The health risks for flora, fauna and mankind are serious and dangerous.
How to reach the camp site?

- from the train station in Narbonne: at 7 km from the camp. By foot or by bike, take the road of Arminissan and follow the signs. Activist taxi on demand (please let us know if needed).

- from the highway A9: exit number 37 Narbonne Est. At the first round-about, take to the right direction Narbonne-Plage/Gruissan. At the second round-about, take to the left direction Vinassan/Coursan/Arminissan. The camp is 1,5 km further on the right, at the level of the pedestrian crossing. All together, it is only 4 km from the highway exit.

Telephone contact at the camp: 06 32 41 26 92

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Contributors to the 2018 Summer camp

- 6th of August. Possible program on the first day: * First plenary session (to explain what need to be known on the place + some basic rules + functions to share on the camp)
  
  * Short presentation of each participant

* Starting to present the nuclear situation in various countries (and following on the second day)

- 6th and 9th of August:
  - Toshiya Morita (free-lance journalist and second generation A-bomb survivor) and other anti-nuk activists from Japan. Toshiya proposes a workshop on The hidden damage of the A-bomb and the actual nuclear situation in Japan.

  - Michiko Yoshii (Professor, University of Okinawa) proposes a workshop on How we prevented exporting nuclear power plant from Japan to Vietnam. They will also pray for A-bomb victims at the day of Hiroshima and Nagasaki with reading sutras and Fula Dance. And one of them will bring a movie Hopi's Prophecy. It's the word of Hopi of American Indian. It has English and French subtitles.

- 7th and 8th of August (on 2 half-days > rather in the mornings): with Nuclear Heritage (co-organizer for this camp). Workshops to work on the way to build this network. With a historical introduction on NH by Falk Beyer.
- 7th of August: Bruno Chareyron, nuclear science engineer and Criirad Laboratory's director, offers 2 workshops:

1) What is exactly the Areva Malvesi factory? 2) Impacts of nuclear material transportations.

- 7th of August: Bernard Cottier (from Sortir du nuclaire Network board) will present the nuclear situation in Latin America.

And can offer a workshop on Citizen resistance to burying nuclear waste in Segren 30 years before.

- 7th of August (in the evening): Music with Laurent + an accordion player.

- 8th of August (rather in the morning): Leo Tubbax from Nuclaire stop Kernenergie in Belgium will present the situation of the old Doel and Tihange nuclear power plants; and of the anti-nuclear movement in this country.

- 8th of August (in the afternoon): Reflexions on the nuclear bomb and on the interdiction treaty. Workshop proposed by Didier Latorre from ADN 34.

And film screening in the evening on the nuclear bomb.

- 9th of August: A peace action is also possible to commemorate the Nagasaki day:

As an example, a huge balloon in the shape of a nuclear bomb could be installed nearby.

This action has to be planned on the 8th of August (at the end of the workshop on nuclear weapons).

- 9th of August: The nuclear transportation question; and the network to watch it with Laura Hameaux and Dominique Malvaux.

- 9th or 10th of August: Workshop by Patrick Moquay, member of ACDN (Action of Citizens on Nuclear Disarmament). Patrick is the former mayor of Saint-Pierre d'Olron. This town belongs to the network Mayors for peace and Abolition 2000.

- 9th of August (in the evening): Music with Mister Jack.

- On 10th and 11th of August, Activist clown training on 2 days with Xavier Renou from the NGO Les dsobissants (To desobey). This training will be bilingual (French and English).

Those who plan to take part in this training are asked to carry various accessories (like old and ridiculous clothes, toys, wigs. Anything that can help you to become a clown and the red noses will be on place.

- Anne Meyssignac from Sortir du nuclaire Corrze will be there with her mini-accordion to sing anti-nuclear songs. She offers a workshop to build a Street choir that could appear in Narbonne.
- Andrey Ozharovskiy from Moscow (independent searcher on Russian nukes). He will tell us many mad stories on Rosatom > equivalent to Areva (now called Orano ).

- - Yolanda Picazo from MIA in Spain will present Alternatives to nuclear from an eco-feminist point of view.

- - A group from MIA (Movimiento Iberico Antinucleare) will be on place to present the nuclear situation in Spain and Portugal. Workshop's title and prefered day not still announced.

- Leona Morgan is a Navajo woman from New Mexico in the USA. She will offer a presentation on Nuclear oppression on First Nations and Aboriginal people all around the world

- Somebody from Bure (one of the main actual anti-nuclear struggle in North-East of France) will tell us about the accurate situation on place.

- Ccile Lecomte (strong French activist living in Germany). She will present a workshop on nuclear transportation blockades in Germany. And another one about Activist climbing . Days of presentation still to precise.

- Michel Leclerc (ex-Malvesi nuclear worker and sick from his former work). He will tell us his incredible story in a workshop called Professionnal sicknesses and difficulties in consequence.

  His fight with court cases is lasting since more than 20 years.

- Gilles Raynaud (actual nuclear worker) will present a workshop on working conditions and social costs in the nuclear French industry. Day still to precise.

- Nuclear and health : Dr. Mariette Gerber will present the health effects of Malvesi on the surrounding population. Still to be confirmed.

- The (hidden) History of Malvesi and the new mad developments of this death industry.

  With Michel, Herv and Juliette.

- Workshop : Brain storming on Which actions would be possible against Malvesi in the coming months (after the camp ) ? With SDN 11

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