

Science4Peace Forum



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All infos on: [Science4Peace Webpage](https://science4peace.com/Public-Events/Entries/2024/9/science4peace-discussion-on-actual-topics.html)

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Announcement



Bundesweite Friedensdemonstration



V.i.S.d.P. R. Braun/R. Kämer, Malenstr. 19/20, 10117

Initiative Nie wieder Krieg -
Die Waffen nieder!

3. Oktober 2024
Berlin

Nein zu Krieg
und Hochrüstung!
Ja zu Frieden
und internationaler
Solidarität!

Es ist kurz vor 12 -
Widerstand und Protest jetzt -
Es liegt an uns!

Kommt massenhaft!

Sternmarsch

Treffpunkte:
Breitscheidplatz/Gedächtniskirche
Rathenower Str./Ecke Alt Moabit
Gleisdreieck/Schöneberger Ufer
ab 12.30

Schlusskundgebung

Großer Stern (Siegessäule)
14.30

weitere Informationen:
www.nie-wieder-krieg.org



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A bit of history



- **1985:** for Reagan's star-wars program SDI, a **scientist** from DESY was invited for consultations, hot topics were laser-weapons and free-electron lasers
 - program was rejected, after massive protests from scientists also from DESY (see [documentation](#))
- **2024:** **Laser-weapons** have been tested and are being applied – future with high energy lasers



Großbritannien meldet erfolgreiche Tests der Laserwaffe DragonFire

Quelle: British Defence Ministry/picture alliance / ZUMAPRESS.com

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What has happened ?



- **June 17:** DESY directorate announces to start a discussion to rethink the “Guiding Principles” that “Our research pursues goals that are peaceful and serve civil society.”
- **June 28:** *Hamburger Morgenpost* publishes article on “Militärforschung bei DESY?”



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What has happened ?



- **July 18:** start [Petition](#) *Opening civil research facilities to military projects is NOT IN OUR NAME* - now > 270 signatures (> 10% DESY employees)

Opening civil research facilities to military projects is **NOT IN OUR NAME !**

(deutsche Version, english version below)

Im Januar 2024 veröffentlichte die EU-Kommission ein "[Weißbuch](#)", in dem besondere Anstrengungen zur Förderung der Forschung mit zivilen und militärischen Zielen (Forschung mit dual use) gefördert werden. In ähnlicher Weise veröffentlichte das deutsche Ministerium für Bildung und Forschung (BMBF) im März 2024 ein "[Positionspapier](#)", in dem die Vertiefung der Zusammenarbeit zwischen zivilen und militärischen Forschungseinrichtungen und die Schaffung von "Finanzierungsanreizen für eine verstärkte Zusammenarbeit zwischen ziviler und militärischer Forschung" gefordert wurde. In ihrem [Jahresbericht](#) für 2024 schlug die deutsche Expertenkommission "Forschung und Innovation" vor, die vorherige Trennung zwischen ziviler und militärischer Forschung aufzulösen.

Diese Neuorientierung steht im grundlegenden Widerspruch zum Geist der zivilen Forschung nach den Erfahrungen des Zweiten Weltkriegs: Das [Science Council](#) von Japan erklärte 1950, "sich niemals für Kriegszwecke in der wissenschaftlichen Forschung zu engagieren". Am internationalen Forschungszentrum CERN, wo das Higgs-Boson 2012 gefunden wurde, fordert die [Satzung](#) von 1954 ausdrücklich,

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- **July 23 Mail** of DESY DIR to all employees, explaining further the thoughts: *“should we, under certain conditions and to a certain extent, not enable scientific use of PETRA III, or in the future PETRA IV, when the results can be used in the context of security, military readiness, and defensive preparations, next to civil uses?”*
- **August 27:** Parliamentarian **question** to Hamburg Senate

**BÜRGERSCHAFT
DER FREIEN UND HANSESTADT HAMBURG**
22. Wahlperiode

Drucksache **22/16090**
27.08.24

Schriftliche Kleine Anfrage

**der Abgeordneten Metin Kaya, Martin Dolzer und Mehmet Yildiz (fraktionslos)
vom 27.08.24**

Betr.: PETRA IV und Militärforschung am DESY

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What has happened ?



- **August 28 Flyers** distributed in front of the gates of DESY HH
- **Science4Peace@DESY** group formed



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Panel discussion



- **Sept 04** Panel-discussion
 - further infos are [here](#)
 - recording is [here](#)
 - Thousand thanks to Michelangelo and the panelists !
- We plan a Dossier/Write-up of the discussion
 - contributions from panelists
 - everybody else can also contribute !
 - deadline is end of October

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NatWiss - Verantwortung für Frieden und Zukunftsfähigkeit e.V,
W&F - Wissenschaft & Frieden
invite

Against opening civil research facilities for military projects - contributions to a discussion at DESY

A virtual panel discussion

4 September 2024, 5 pm (CEST)

Panel:

- Jonathan Beullens (Civil Clause, Frankfurt University)
- Dr John Ellis (King's College London)
- Dr Alexander Glazov (DESY)
- Dr Jenny List (DESY)
- Lukas Mengelkamp (IFSH, Marburg University)
- Dr Gudrid Moortgat-Pick (Hamburg University)
- Dr Götz Neuneck (Chairman, Federation of German Scientists and Pugwash Council member)
- Dr Jürgen Scheffran (Hamburg University, NatWiss, VDW)

Moderation: Dr Michelangelo Mangano (CERN)

All participants are contributing individual views and do not represent the institution they are affiliated with. The affiliations are nevertheless shown just to indicate the background of the panelists and the context of their experience with the matters of the panel discussion.

<https://tinyurl.com/S4Ppaneldiscussion>



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Wissenschaft & Frieden: <https://www.wissenschaft-und-frieden.de>

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News



- Last week Works-meeting at DESY. Administrative director, A. Willner, made false statements: he accused ethics commission of having recommended to remove “cicil” from the guiding principles.
 - it was confirmed by the ethics commission, that this statement was wrong!
 - asked for clarification, still no reply !
- Student council (ASTA) of Hamburg University and cicil clause movement support our petition, and ask to open it for general public
 - it could be a good moment (after having > 10% DESY employees signed) to open petition to general public
 - put petition on change.org
 - ask for signatures from everybody !

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Discussion



- Recap from Panel discussion:
 - any important points missing in the discussion ?
 - any comments ?

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Israel - Gaza



- Statement from the International Science Council on Education in Gaza and West-Bank:
 - <https://council.science/blog/the-collapse-of-science-a-scientists-personal-account-from-gaza/>
 - On the occasion of World Humanitarian Day, the International Science Council is releasing a detailed testimony from Dr. Rami Morjan, Professor of Organic Chemistry and Vice Dean of the College of Science at the Islamic University of Gaza:
 - “In the spirit of the universal right to education, and our moral obligation to our students who have been deprived of this right due to the war, I invite the entire scientific community to offer a hand to Palestinian students and scholars.”
 - We have to do something !

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- I am very disappointed by institutions like DESY and CERN, that nothing has been said on the terrible situation for Palestinians at the moment (and since long)
 - there is no scientific program to support Palestinian students etc
 - but there are dedicated programs for Israeli students
- We have to do something to support those people:
 - help finding PhD positions for them in our institutions
 - but also go beyond those institutions:
 - we need to think to create a Science4Peace foundation which can offer fellowships
 - need to find supporters
 - need to create a new structure
 - do not relay on existing institutions as they seem to fail in basic support

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70 birthday of CERN



- new [CERN courier](#) out – birthday of CERN with many statements
 - **only** one statement on Science4Peace found by CERN Council President Eliezer Rabinovici:
 - “Has the ideal of Science for Peace been damaged? *Over the years CERN has developed the skills needed to construct bridges. CERN does not have much experience in dismantling bridges. This issue was very much on the mind of Council as it took its decisions.*
- This is unbelievable !
 - we should write a letter to the editor !

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CERN and JINR



- It seems that CERN is not supporting participation of Russian scientists via JINR
 - only very few will have possibility to join JINR
 - this will mean the END of Russian participation at CERN
 - hardliners were successful !
 - But CERN loses it's reputation !
- further infos and comments !

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- Science4Peace Webpage: <https://science4peace.com/>
 - Science4Peace Fund
 - source can be used to support with a small amount scientists
 - donations can be made online with PayPal

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Organization



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 - Science4Peace Fund: ZOOM account and web page independent of any institution
- Please check <https://science4peace.com/> for further infos:
 - collection of links to statements from research institutions
 - public events (like this one, with slides)
 - any other further infos
- For discussions on Science4Peace matters, please use (and register) at our Signal channel ([Signal registration](#))