

Senzatomica

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Executive Summary Senzatomica's activities on disarmament and non-proliferation education June 2020 – May 2022

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Senzatomica promotes many advocacy activities with Parliamentarians and local authorities' representatives; this led to the approval by the Foreign Affairs Committee of the Italian Chamber of Deputies of a resolution in support of the TPNW and the 1MSP.

Full Report

Promoted by Soka Gakkai Italy, Senzatomica is the Italian campaign led by youth that promotes nuclear disarmament, peace and education within the Italian society, partner of the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN, Nobel Peace Prize 2017).

In 2017 Senzatomica participated at the first (27 to 31 March) and second session (15 June to 7 July) of the United Nations TPNW Negotiations Conference in New York and was actively engaged in the writing of the Treaty and the support to the negotiations. Senzatomica had also the opportunity to release a statement at the UNGA during the first session, on March 29th, 2017.

Our campaign is addressed to all people with the aim of raising public awareness about the nuclear threat, rejecting the idea of security based upon nuclear weapons and claiming the right of a world free from these inhumane weapons of mass destruction.

The goal of the campaign is to create and promote a global solidarity movement that focuses on the empowerment of each individual as the first step towards the complete and definitive elimination of nuclear weapons, that will lead the whole society into the direction of the ratification of the TPNW by all States.

With the aim of informing and empowering people, for the past ten years, among many advocacy activities with Parliamentarians and local authorities' representatives, Senzatomica has carried out the exhibition "Senzatomica. Transforming the Human Spirit for a nuclear weapons free world" reaching 80 Italian cities and over 365,000 visitors, of whom 40% were students. Its itinerary provides an educational tool for all age range with a particular attention to elementary, middle and high school students. In its renewed version, which will

be launched in Rome next autumn, the TPNW itself plays the fil rouge of the whole itinerary, featuring its history and the leading role played by the civil society movement for its realisation.

As the preamble of the TPNW states, a sense of urgency to ensure “the security of all humanity” lies at the foundation of this treaty; its primary purpose is protecting the right to live of all the people with whom we share this planet and in ensuring the survival of generations to come.

Determined to inherit the hibakushas spirit, Senzatomica’s mission is to continue to move forward in building a world liberated from the nuclear deterrence theory and in which every person is encouraged to dialogue to each other, creating a culture of peace and trust.

The website senzatomica.it embodies the heart of campaign. It is the central focal point for igniting ideas and events that will embrace the campaign’s mission, along with the other social media platforms (Twitter, Facebook and Instagram). The website will also provide visitors with information and a chance to interact with one another and support the campaign.

Through the channel of official diplomacy Senzatomica held meetings with policy-makers, on high-level municipals, national and regional government officials and parliamentarians, promoting the ICAN Cities Appeal and the Parliamentarians Pledge, that led to hundreds of Municipalities to submit a resolution supporting the TPNW and to the recent passage in the Foreign Affairs Committee of the Chamber of Deputies of a resolution which compels the government to take concrete steps towards nuclear disarmament and the contents of the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (TPNW). The resolution emphasises that nuclear weapons still pose a serious threat to humanity today and that it is therefore essential to continue efforts to reduce them with the goal of their definitive elimination and to “consider, in consultation with the Allies, the possibility of participating as an ‘observer country’ at the First Meeting of States Parties to the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (TPNW) (...) taking into account the participation of the Governments of NATO countries, such as Norway and Germany”.

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