Nuclear Disarmament, Human Rights & Bright Future Ahead?

...from a young advocate’s perspective

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Nukes x Covid

...time to shift our perception of security?

- global health crisis: comes fast, never leaves?
  - virus does not recognize borders
  - we were unprepared
  - we had to learn to cooperate globally
- imagine a regional nuclear conflict...
  - radiation does not recognize borders
  - we remain unprepared
  - change would be sudden
  - do we cooperate globally?
  - lasting effects: a decade of famine and nuclear winter
- military security -> human security
Human Rights?
(this isn’t ‘news’)

- Universal Declaration of Human Rights (1948): Article 3 (Right to Life)
- ICJ Advisory opinion on the Threat or Use of Nuclear Weapons (1996)
  - violating the principles and rules of humanitarian law and law of armed conflicts
- UN Human Rights Committee (2018): Comment No. 36
  - “The threat or use of weapons of mass destruction, in particular nuclear weapons, which are indiscriminate in effect and are of a nature to cause destruction of human life on a catastrophic scale is incompatible with respect for the right to life and may amount to a crime under international law.”

PS: do not forget about nuclear refugees + migration!
UN 2030 and beyond

...looking for silver-linings & involvement of youth

• The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development
  • adopted by all UN Member States (but implementation is up to all individuals)
  • “leaving no one behind”

• #wethepeoples2020: Global Appeal for a Nuclear-Weapons-Free world
  • Can we get rid of nuclear weapons by 2045?

• NUCLEAR GAMES
  • Storytelling for everyone, everywhere