

PROGRAM

Cities for a Nuclear Free Europe

Fukushima Nuclear Catastrophe – Ten Years Later

Online Event on March 12, 2021

13:00 – 13:15 CET

Welcome: Jürgen Czernohorszky - Executive City Councillor for Climate, Environment, Democracy and Personnel of Vienna, Chair of Cities for Nuclear Free Europe

Moderation: Patricia Lorenz, Friends of the Earth Europe

Thematic bloc 1: Situation in Fukushima today

13:15 – 14:30 CET

Assessing today's situation in Fukushima and Japan (politically) in consequence of a nuclear disaster, reflection on the emergency measures taken and showing that the catastrophe is far from over.

Three presentations followed by Q&A:

- **Greenpeace International, Jan van de Putte:** “The current situation in Fukushima”
- **Mayors for a Nuclear Power Free Japan network:**
 - 1) Former Mayor Sakurai Katsunobu of Minamisoma on his first-hand experience of the disaster and its ongoing impacts
 - 2) The network's Secretary General Sato Kazuo (himself the former Mayor of Koganei in the west of Tokyo), on the overall activities of the network, the situation of emergency measures such as evacuation plans, overall Japanese situation etc.

Simultaneous interpretation will kindly be provided by Meri Joyce/Peaceboat for the participants from Japan and Europe in Japanese and Europe.

Break 15 min

Thematic bloc 2: Impacts of a nuclear accident on the city and the region

14:45-16:00 CET

This bloc will explain impacts of nuclear accidents on cities, regions and people. How would a European city handle such an emergency, are efficient emergency measures prepared?

Emergency zones and iodine prophylaxis: Results from the flexRISK project which shows the fallouts from the nuclear power plants on the affected regions in Europe (Gabriele Mraz, Austrian Institute of Ecology). For this presentation the results for city of Geneva and the NPP Sizewell will be explained.

- **Approx. 15:20 – 16:00 Panel Discussion on preparedness of cities:** Representatives from cities or regions (Vienna, Manchester, Aachen (tbc)) will discuss the situation in nuclear emergency management.

Join the meeting:

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OUR SPEAKERS AND PANNELISTS:

Jürgen Czernohorsky

City of Vienna's Executive Councillor for Environment and Climate Change; before he already served as city councilor for Education and Integration in Vienna since 2017. He graduated in political sciences and sociology. Born 1977 in Austria.

Jan Dictus

Founder of GOJA Consulting for Environment and Sustainable Development is an expert on sustainable development of cities. Since 2010 Jan supplies the secretariat for Cities for Nuclear Free Europe.

Sakurai Katsunobu

Former Mayor of Minamisoma City, Fukushima, a city around 20 km away from the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Plant. His plea on Youtube for help for his city in the immediate aftermath of the disaster reverberated around the world, and he was recognised as one of Time magazine's 100 most influential people in the world in 2011.

Sean Morris

Secretary of the UK & Ireland Nuclear Free Local Authorities since 2008. Within that role he supports its member authorities develop research and engage fully in the nuclear and energy debate in the UK & Ireland. Sean was an Emergency Planning Officer for Leeds City Council from 1999 - 2008 and was responsible for the development of the Leeds City Centre Evacuation Plan.

Gabriele Mraz

Works as a scientist at the Austrian Institute of Ecology (AIE) in Vienna since 1988. She has a degree in nutrition science with a focus on radioecology and also worked in the gamma laboratory and with the ongoing research project flexRISK illustrating the risk of NPPs for Europe.

Jan van de Putte

Campaigner with Greenpeace International from 2002 – 2007 and for Greenpeace Japan since the nuclear disaster at Fukushima in March 2011. Before Jan worked for IPPNW (Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War) until he joined Greenpeace Belgium in 1996 as nuclear disarmament campaigner.

David Reinberger

David takes care of the nuclear energy agenda at the Vienna Ombuds Office for Environmental Protection (Wiener Umweltanwaltschaft – WUA). He graduated in Theoretical Physics at the University of Vienna and worked as a researcher in international projects.

Kazuo Sato

Secretary General of the Mayors Network for a Nuclear Power Free Japan. Formerly Mayor of Koganei, Tokyo. Mr. Sato is active as a journalist, also for Asahi Shimbun, one of Japan's largest daily newspapers.