

**Warwick Peace Conference: Trends in technology, politics, peace and war
The Oculus, University of Warwick, 10th March 2018****10.00 – 10.30 (Oculus foyer)**

Registration and tea / coffee

10.30 – 11.30 (OC0.03)*Morning panel* – Technology and Peace – Chris Cole (Drone Wars UK), Dr Andrew Futter (University of Leicester). Chaired by: Nicolas Arboleda (Warwick Pugwash Student Society)**11.30 – 13:30**

Working Groups:

- i) Nuclear weapons and IR (Politics stream) – Room OC1.06
- ii) Digital tech and peace / freedom (Technology stream) – Room OC1.09

13.30 – 14.30: Lunch break**14.30 – 15.30 (OC0.03)***Afternoon panel* – Politics and Peace – Elizabeth Minor (ICAN UK), Dr Richard Guthrie (British Pugwash, CBW Events). Chaired by: Pietro Dalla Vedova (Warwick Pugwash Student Society)**15.30 – 17:30**

Working Groups:

- i) Regional security / civil wars (Politics stream) – Room OC1.06
- ii) Emerging tech and strategic stability (Technology stream) – Room OC1.09

17.30 – 18:00: End of main conference / break**18.00 – 19.00 (OC0.03):** Public event – Lord Wood of Anfield (UNA-UK) in conversation with Sebastian Brixey-Williams (British Pugwash / BASIC)

Thank you to Warwick International Foundation Programme (IFP) and the Politics And International Studies (PAIS) department for supporting this conference and their continued support for Warwick Pugwash Student Society.

**Lunch options**

Lunch is not provided but there are many dining options on campus. These include:

*Located near the Piazza, less than five minutes walk: Costa Coffee // Café Bar in the Arts Centre // Fusion restaurant (Indian, Chinese) // Dirty Duck pub // Xananas restaurant
Just off-campus: Varsity pub*

Other refreshments

The Terrace Bar, part of the Student Union, serves alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks, from 5pm til late. Located just off the Piazza.

Working Group options

<p>Nuclear weapons / IR (Politics) – 11.30 Chair: Dr Andrew Futter</p> <p>Presentations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maxwell Downman (BASIC) – USA’s Nuclear Posture Review & what it means for Europe • Tim Street (ORG) – Two minutes to midnight – avoiding nuclear war with Russia and the US • Danni Zou (SOAS) – Is nuclearization rational choice for North Korea? • Ezra Friedman (INSS/ISYP) – May 12th: The end of the JCPOA (the ‘Iran Nuclear Deal’) • Leah Matchett (Oxford) – Risks and opportunities after the Nuclear Security Summit 	<p>Digital tech and peace / freedom – 11.30 Chair: Dr Christopher Watson</p> <p>Presentations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ananya Tiwari (Warwick) - Social media’s role in 21st century conflict • Andrew Gibson (SYP UK) – Fake news about Weapons of Mass Destruction • Daniel Amir (LSE) – Telegram in the 2017-18 Iran protests • Hassan Fiaz (SOAS) – Speech, freedom and peace • David Almasi (Warwick) – Coping with illiberal governments (eg. Hungary)
<p>Regional security / civil wars – 15.30 Chair: Dr Ian Crossland</p> <p>Presentations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rebecca Brindza (Israel SYP) – Mental health trauma in Syria • Angeliki Jacovidou (Warwick) – Cyprus-Turkey relationship and its challenges for EU-NATO security • Umar Farooq Khan (Islamabad Policy Research Institute) – Peace in South Asia – An elusive dream? • Ujjaini Chatterji (Nottingham) – Into the mind of a war criminal (Kashmir focus) • Will Spur (Warwick) – The role of memory in positive peace-building (eg. Columbia) 	<p>Emerging tech and strategic stability - 15.30 Chair: Prof. David Caplin</p> <p>Presentations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aleksandra Matuszewska (Warwick) – Relevance of Cold War and its technologies in the modern day • Seb Brixey-Williams (BASIC) – Anti-submarine warfare and strategic stability • Raymond Wang (MIIS) – Schrodinger’s Panda - Quantum technology in China • Carl Mohr (Warwick) – Atomic clocks – From GPS to Geopolitics • Nicolas Arboleda (Warwick) – Fighting wars in space is a bad idea

Additional conference information

Travel:

Travel in and around the university: <https://warwick.ac.uk/about/visiting/directions/>
 The postcode for Central Campus is: **CV4 7AL**

Map:

Of University of Warwick campus: <https://warwick.ac.uk/about/visiting/maps/campusmap/>

Outputs:

Short summaries of presentations will be published in a conference report, available in due course, here: <http://britishpugwash.org/student-young-pugwash/>

Student/Young Pugwash (SYP) UK:

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