

INVITATION

Spring conference of the German anti-nuclear movement and camp in Ahaus 1–4 May 2008

The anti-nuclear groups BI “Kein Atommuell in Ahaus”, AKU Gronau and “Aktionsbuendnis Muensterland gegen Atomanlagen” organize in Ahaus from 1–4 May 2008 the spring conference of the German anti-nuclear movement with a camp and a weekend full of political activities.

The aim is to make push energetically the political demand for an immediate shut down of all nuclear installations!

Despite serious accidents in the nuclear power plants Kruemmel and Brunsbuettel (both near Hamburg) no nuclear power plant has been closed down in Germany since 2005. Even the child leukemia study has (so far) no consequences.

***Instead the nuclear industry tries to build new reactors all across Europe.
Hence, we need more political pressure, to push back the nuclear industry and the nuclear-friendly parties !***

Conference topics:

1. Immediate shut down of nuclear installations: How can we achieve this goal?

The nuclear mafia defends each and every nuclear power plant with lots of effort – and they demand a longer lifecycle for their reactors. Hence, we need counter strategies.

2. Nuclear storage sites: There is no longterm safe disposal of nuclear waste.

At the moment the German government and the nuclear industry try to push their longterm- und mediumterm storage projects. How can we link the resistance against these projects?

3. Nuclear transports: Without nuclear transports no nuclear installation could work.

In Germany the nuclear waste transports from La Hague to Gorleben have been a focus point for years. How do we prepare for the 15-30 nuclear waste transports from La Hague to Ahaus and can we intensify our fight against the uranium (waste) transports from and to Gronau?

4. Uranium enrichment: In Gronau (and Almelo!) the inauguration of the second Urenco-enrichment plant is on the horizon.

How do we create efficient resistance against the globally expanding Urenco? We would like to discuss concrete protests for the European Uranium Action-Day on 20 September 2008.

5. Nuclear industry: How can we weaken the position of the big nuclear companies (EON, RWE, EdF, AREVA, BNFL, Rosatom ...)?

In Hamburg and Berlin the example Vattenfall shows: The nuclear industry is not immune and can lose their customers massively.

6. International cooperation: The anti-nuclear movement needs to cooperate across the borders if we want to be successful. Uranium (waste) transports, Gorleben transports and the resistance in Belene (Bulgaria), Olkiluoto (Finland) or Flamanville (France) show that without international cooperation and solidarity our fight is lost. Currently there are lots of positive initiatives for internation resistance campaigns.

7. Military dimension: The use of nuclear power is always linked to military aspects.

The topic uranium enrichment shows clearly the close links between “civil” and military use of nuclear power (atomic bombs, proliferation, DU-ammunition, ...).

For the immediate shut-down of all nuclear installations – worldwide !

Conference programme:

1 May:

from 11 am: May festival of the BI Ahaus on BI-campsite opposite the nuclear storage site, opening of camp.
2 pm: demonstration at storage site
evening: open programme in camp

2 May:

12 noon: conference start, arrival of guests
1 pm: opening words, reports from of nuclear sites
3 pm: coffee break
4 pm: presentations with discussion
4-5.30 pm: Peter Diehl, coordinator of WISE Uranium Project:
Clean nuclear power? Uranium mining and the path towards uranium enriching
5.30-6.30 pm: Regine Richter, campaigner urgwald:
Financing the nuclear industry – banks and nuclear loans
6.30 pm: dinner, after that concert in camp

3 May:

9 am: breakfast
10 am: presentation of work shops
I. Immediate shut down of nuclear installations (i.e. political perspectives)
II. Longterm/medium term storage of nuclear waste
III. Nuclear / uranium transports
IV. Uranium enrichment
V. Nuclear industry
VI. International cooperation of anti-nuclear movement
VII. Military dimension
VIII. Nuclear power and climate debate
IX. Health risks
11 am: workshops (block I)
1 pm: lunchtime
2.30 pm: presentation/workshops (block II)
Prof. Dr. Inge Schmitz-Feuerhake: The child leukemia-study: results and consequences
4 pm: plenary session, presentation of workshop-results, discussion
6 pm: dinner
8 pm: political comedy programme

4 May

9 am: breakfast
10 am: final plenary session, perspectives of anti-nuclear work
12 noon: end of conference, lunch
1 pm: press conference in Ahaus
2 pm: protest walk at uranium enrichment plant in Gronau (car cavalcade from Ahaus)

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