UNITED NATIONS
#75WORDS4DISARMAMENT
YOUTH CHALLENGE

Congratulatory Event

MARKING THE DISARMAMENT WEEK

MONDAY, 26 OCTOBER 2020 | 9:00 – 9:30 A.M. (EDT)
VIRTUAL VIA MS TEAMS LIVE

To join the virtual ceremony, please register by Friday, 23 October, at bit.ly/75words-awards.

In commemoration of the seventy-fifth anniversary of the establishment of the United Nations, the UN Office for Disarmament Affairs held the "#75Words4Disarmament Youth Challenge", which was launched on 12 August, the International Youth Day, and was closed on 26 September, the International Day for the Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons.

The "#75Words4Disarmament Youth Challenge" invited young people around the world to express what disarmament means to them and their communities in 75 words. The challenge provided an opportunity to think about disarmament not as an abstract concept, but as a practical means to help prevent armed conflict and promote peace and security.

The challenge was open to young people between the ages of 13 and 29, with three age groups: 13 to 18 years (middle and high school), 19 to 24 years (college and graduate school) and 25 to 29 years (early career professionals). The five winners from each group were selected by the panel of judges and will be announced at the congratulatory event at 9 a.m. (EDT) on Monday, 26 October, marking the Disarmament Week.

At the event, the winners will be announced by the High Representative for Disarmament Affairs and the young people's concerns and cares for disarmament and ways for further youth engagement will be shared.

Our distinguished speakers

- Ms. Izumi Nakamitsu
  UN Under-Secretary-General and High Representative for Disarmament Affairs
- H.E. Mr. Agustin Santos Maraver (Spain)
  Chair, 75th session of the UN First Committee
- H.E. Mr. CHO Hyun
  Ambassador and Permanent Representative of the Republic of Korea to the UN
- Ms. Isa Begemann
  UN Youth Champion for Disarmament
- First Prize winners