

Conference - “Towards a new arms race?” Paris, France, January 23

09:15 – 09:45: Opening remarks

- **Claude Bartolone**, President of the National Assembly, France
- **Paul Quilès**, former minister of defense, France.

Session 1: 09:45 – 10:30 - A look back at the Reykjavík Summit

Moderator: **Bernard Norlain**, General, France

- **Guillaume Sérina**, author of "Reagan - Gorbachev: Reykjavik 1986 the Summit of all hopes", journalist, France
- **Ward Wilson**, International Expert, Project Director "Rethinking Nuclear Weapons" at the British American Security Information Council (BASIC) United States.

Session 2: 10:30 – 12:30: “Modernisation” of nuclear arsenals: its purpose and the risks it entails for nuclear proliferation

Moderator: **Marc Finaud**, former French diplomat, Senior Adviser, Center for Security Policy Geneva, Switzerland.

- **Des Browne**, Vice-President of NTI (Nuclear Threat Initiative), United States, member of the United Kingdom House of Commons, former Secretary of State for Defense of the United Kingdom
- **Hervé Morin**, President of the Normandy region, former Minister of Defense, France
- **Oliver Meier**, Associate Researcher, German Institute for International and Security Affairs (SWP), Germany
- **Michel Drain**, Member of the Bureau of the Justice and Peace Commission, France

Session 3: 14:00 – 14:45: Debate with “Major Witnesses”

Moderator: **Harold Hyman**, Franco-American journalist, specialist in international affairs and geopolitics.

- **Marc Stenger**, Bishop, President of Pax Christi, France;
- **Cédric Villani**, Mathematician, Director of the Institut Henri-Poincaré, Professor at the University of Lyon, Fields Medal in 2010, France.

Session 4: 14:45– 16:15: Present approaches to international security and nuclear disarmament

Moderator: **Annick Suzor-Weiner**, president of Pugwash France, physicist, professor at Paris-Sud University.

- **Eric Danon**, Deputy Director General of Political and Security Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, France;
- **Juan Manuel Gomez Robledo**, Ambassador of Mexico to Paris, Mexico (to be confirmed);
- **Béatrice Fihn**, Director ICAN International, Switzerland;
- **Jean-Marie Collin**, Vice-President of Initiatives for Nuclear Disarmament and Director of PNND France / French-speaking countries, France.

Session 5: 16:15– 17:15: Will nuclear deterrence be a major issue in the French presidential election?

Moderator: **Paul Quilès**, former minister of defense, France

- **Frédéric Ploquin**, editor-in-chief of La Croix;
- **Anthony Bellanger**, editorial writer at France Inter;
- **Renaud Girard**, Journaliste at Le Figaro.

17:15 – 17:30 Wrap-up and closing remarks

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