



Introduction to the

# Nuclear Heritage Network

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# short history

- **informal network of anti-nuclear activists** all around the world
- started in 2006 as local youth initiative in Germany with international approach on **nuclear waste disposal issues**
- developed to **transnational initiative** in 2007; eventually formed to the **Nuclear Heritage Network** in 2008
- **platform** for exchange, sharing resources and supporting each other

# approaches

- no common label, identity or decision making;  
no representatives
- promoting each others' campaigns  
and actions; sometimes joined  
projects of the network
  - e.g. Baltic Sea Info Tour,  
Olkiluoto Blockade,  
ATOMIC BALTIC network/project



# tools for networking & spreading the word

- NukeNews (*8 languages; launched 2011*)
- multilingual information materials on local anti-nuclear struggles
- Wiki website with Country Pages
- International Network Office (*launched 2013*)
- online media platform



- annual network gatherings
- international events calendar
- mailing lists for networking & projects
- **coming soon:**  
monthly updating  
Skype conferences



# examples of activities

- **2008:**

- exhibition on **Morsleben atomic waste repository** (*English + German*)
- participation in **final disposal symposium** in Berlin (*D*)
- international media work at **Castor protests** (*D*)
- **NUCLEAR weekEND** by Lovisa (*FIN*)
- participation in **Aldermaston blockade** (*UK*)
- **global Uranium Action Day**



- **2009:**

- **Nuclear Climate Camp** in Lapland (*FIN*)

- **Ranua Rescue** campaign & international Action Day

- participation in **Uranium rally** in Oulu (*FIN*)

- postcard action against **uranium mining** to Finnish government



- **2010:**

- **Olkiluoto Blockade** – first publicly announced blockade of NPP in Finland
- participation in **anti-nuclear rally** in Helsinki (*FIN*)
- participation in **Aldermaston blockade** (*UK*)
- **Stop Nuclear Power – Baltic Sea Info Tour**





- **2011:**

- coordination of international participation in **Castor protests** (*D*)
- **international conference** in Vilnius (*LT*)
- **solidarity tour** against repression (*BY*)
- **Fukushima disaster alert**
- participation in **Chernobyl Day** in Minsk (*BY*)
- international media work **Grohnde blockade** (*D*)

- **2012:**

- **Talvivaara spill alert**
- **Anti-nuclear Sailing Trip** across Baltic Sea
- participation in **international Uranium Conference** in Münster (*D*)
- international **Uranium Action Day**



- **2013:**

- participation in **international conference** in Vienna (A)
- **ATOMIC BALTIC network/project** launched
- participation in **CASE PYHÄJOKI** – artistic reflections of nuclear impact (*FIN*)



- **2014:**

- **solidarity campaign** for persecuted groups in Russia
- **atomic transports action camp** in Kiel (*D*)
- participation in **international conference** in Prague (*CZ*)
- **ATOMIC BALTIC** photo exhibition & info events tour



# regions covered

- currently: **32 countries** covered with activists connected to the network
  - Austria, Australia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, China, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hongkong, Hungary, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Lithuania, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Slovenia, Sweden, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom, United States



# regional focus

- recently focus set on **Baltic Sea region**
- activities also in **other European countries**
- informal exchange with organizers in **Australia, Canada, Tanzania and USA**



# European Action Weeks: opportunities for involvement

- promotion through network channels
- encouragement of connected activists to arrange local events / join Action Weeks
- help to spread the word & media work
- Wiki offered as online platform for partners to post own information
- connecting to artists & witnesses to be invited

# THE END

- subscribe nuclear-heritage **mailing list**
- use **network form** to get connected
- Nuclear Heritage Network **info material** can be found here, including network DVD & past action material
- find out more: **<http://Nuclear-Heritage.NET>**

# Thank you for your attention!

