### Passport to the Future

Please take this "passport to the future" when you view the exhibition and write notes about what you treasure, what future you want and what actions you plan to take in and for the future.



1. What do you treasure?

2. What is the future you want?

3. What action are you willing to take?

#### Overview of the Exhibition

The exhibition "Everything You Treasure—For a World Free From Nuclear Weapons" was created by Soka Gakkai International (SGI) with the support of the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN) to re-examine the nuclear weapons issue from various perspectives including gender, environmental and human rights.

The exhibition was first launched at the 20th World Congress of the International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War (IPPNW) in Hiroshima in August 2012. It has also been shown at the UN Office at Geneva, the Mexican Senate building, as well as various institutions of higher learning, including the University of Chicago.

#### **Objectives**

- To build a broader nuclear abolition constituency by providing the opportunity to learn about the threat of nuclear weapons from multiple viewpoints and in line with diverse interests.
- To provide information and perspectives that empower people to take action for "the future we want."
- To expand the solidarity of civil society and generate popular momentum toward the outlawing of nuclear weapons.

#### Outline of the Exhibition

- The exhibition consists of three sections introducing various perspectives on nuclear weapons.
- More information on the exhibition and electronic data of the panels can be found at:



SGI Action for Peace

#### SGI and ICAN

Since ICAN's inception in 2007, SGI have worked together with ICAN as an international partner toward the shared aim of nuclear abolition. In July 2017, the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (TPNW) was adopted at the United Nations. In recognition of its role in achieving the treaty, ICAN was awarded with the Nobel Peace Prize in December 2017. SGI continues to support efforts to realize the early entry into force and universalization of the TPNW.

#### **Related Information**



SGI Action for Peace [Nuclear Abolition]



#### Section 1: What do we treasure?

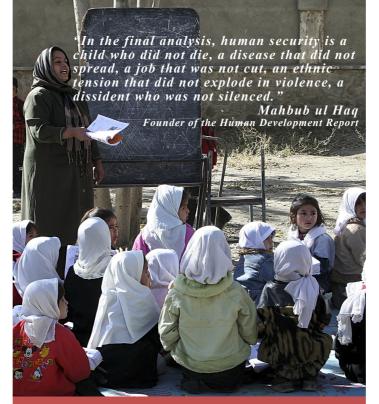
What do we treasure? Take a moment and think about it.

Everyone has the desire to protect the things and people we love from harm. This has been a driving force for progress, inspiring many modern developments and discoveries. This same desire – to protect those we value – has also motivated the development of war-fighting technologies, ultimately giving birth to nuclear weapons.

Our world is filled with all sorts of threats. Of all these threats, that of nuclear weapons is the most acute and catastrophic. Everything you treasure could be reduced to ash in a moment, causing devastating long-term consequences.

Atomic bombs were dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki in August 1945, but the threat posed by nuclear weapons is not a thing of the past: it still continues to threaten our world today.





# Section 2: Learning more —Understanding the nuclear weapons issue

The issue of nuclear weapons is usually discussed from military and security perspectives, but it also needs to be examined from perspectives such as humanitarian, environmental, economic, human rights, spiritual and gender. If people come to learn the facts and realities brought about by nuclear weapons, it can help build a broader constituency and a network of people committed to their abolition.

## Section 3: Changing our worldview —The future we want

When we become aware that our lives are fundamentally interdependent, it becomes clear that we cannot harm others without harming ourselves. We understand that it is impossible to construct our happiness and security on the fear and suffering of others. By building solidarity and collaboration for the future we want and deserve, we can protect the things each of us treasures.

"We have to face the fact that either all of us are going to die together or we are going to learn to live together, and if we are to live together we have to talk."

Eleanor Roosevelt Former US First Lady

