



Report from Sweden 2024

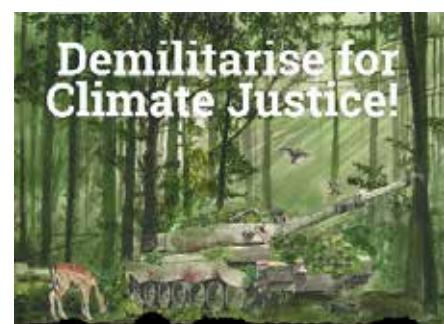
GLOBAL WEEK OF
ACTION FOR
PEACE AND
CLIMATE JUSTICE



**Nico Edwards
Café Dynamo
Mon. 16 Sept.**

Climate and militarism

“I want to build
bridges across
movements”



**Demilitarise for
Climate Justice!**



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for Peace & Climate Justice**

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We should trust our
capacity to cooperate
rather than compete over
the means of life. Time is
now to invest in nonviolent
conflict resolution and
climate justice, not in
militarising the planet!



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More
Promises
for Future
Land

TID FÜR
Aktion



Meeting and a demonstration in Lund Fri. 20 Sept.
#NowFor Future! - Tomorrow's too late

**SYSTEM CHANGE
NOT CLIMATE CHANGE**





No to Nuclear
Weapons and
US-Bases in
Sweden banner
at the Now for
future event

Fridays for Future Lund



Ia Bjartén
watching the
Women for
Peace table

Sverige/Sweden

Mon. 16 Sept. – Military activity and its impact on the climate. Nico Edwards, English-Swedish researcher at Sussex University. Venue: Café Dynamo, Södermannagatan 38, Södermalm/Stockholm, 6 p.m.

Fri. 20 Sept. - #NowFor Future! - Tomorrow's too late, Stop Fossil Finance, System Change, not Climate Change, Peace and Climate Justice Now. Music, speeches and mingling at information tables, followed by a demonstration through central Lund. Fridays For Future Lund, Women for Peace and invited other organisations, at Stortorget Lund. , 4 p.m.

Sun. 22 Sept. – Peace and Climate Justice Festival. Venue: Solidaritetshuset, Tegelviksgatan 40, Södermalm/Stockholm., 12 to 6 p.m.

Sun. 22 Sept. – Performance by the choir Motvals and Lisa Ahlqvist from the Gothenburg section of the Swedish Peace and Arbitration Society. On the programme are songs and speeches about peace and freedom. Venue:Bergsjön Art Centre, Göteborg

Mon. 23 Sept. – Meet Pierre Schori, former ambassador to the UN and member of parliament. "Climate Crisis and the Threat of Nuclear Annihilation in the Shadow of the US Presidential Elections". Venue: the Södertälje community library), 5:30 p.m.

Thurs. 26 Sept. – Seminar/Panel discussion – "Ecological Crisis: What Has to Be Done in These Times of Crisis?". Anders Wijkman, author and opinion leader, opens with a reflection on the book/project "Earth4All" and the latest news from the UN Resource Panel. Participating climate/environmental organisations are The Swedish Society for Nature Conservation – Kristina Östman, Greenpeace – Carl Schlyter, The Swedish Peace and Arbitration Society – Gabriella Irsten, Rebel Mothers – Elin Ståhl.

Thurs. 26 Sept. - "The Role of the UN and Our Joint Responsibility for the Environment and the Climate" Pär Granstedt - forer centera party MP. Venue: House of Workers' Association for Learning, Södertälje, 6 p.m.

26–29 Sept. – The Gothenburg section of the Swedish Peace and Arbitration Society) has a booth at Gothenburg Book Fair to hand out material and talk to visitors.

Sat. 28 Sept. – Seminar/"A day dedicated to culture. Religious Associations, Peace and Climate Justice" – Participants include Muslim as well as the Swedish Church, The Uniting Church and the Quakers. Venue: the Swedish Church, Fisksätra centrum, 2 p.m.

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Global

20 – 22 Sep. World Beyond War, Conference: Resisting the USA's Military Empire, streamed virtually, with in-person events in Sydney, Australia; Wanfried, Germany; Bogotá, Colombia; and Washington, DC, U.S. <https://worldbeyondwar.org/nowar2024>

20 Sep. Global Climate Strike (organized separately) <https://fridaysforfuture.se/en/global-climate-strikes-on-september-20-and-27/>

24 Sep. Climate Change, Conflict and Faith-inspired Action UK time 13:00 (GMT +01:00) <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUpcu6trjwv-H9X3xuOT9AyVe75ZQVRhkb7K#/registration>

25 Sep. War Resister's International, webinar UK time 1-2:30 (GMT +01:00) Movement in dialogue: Climate Justice and Antimilitarism <https://wri-irg.org/en/story/2024/webinar-movement-dialogue-climate-justice-and-antimilitarism>

25 Sep. Fossil Fuel Non Proliferation Treaty Initiative, Webinar ET 10:00-11:00 (GMT -04:00) <https://fossilfueltreaty.org/events/peace-webinar>

Peace and Climate Justice collecting signatures from organizations and individuals: <https://actionnetwork.org/forms/endorsingpcj/>

National and local activities:

US California, New York, Rochester, Washington

Mexico

Great Britain

– Bath, Eastbourne, London, Manchester, Otley FOE EWNI local groups taking Palestine solidarity actions

Ireland

Netherlands, Amsterdam

Sweden, Stockholm, Södertälje, Fisksätra, Göteborg, Lund

Italy

Malawi

DR Congo

Zambia

India

Japan, Peace boat

Australia, , Newcastle

More info: www.climate militarism.org/weekofaction/



**Demonstration
in Stockholm 21 Sep. "People not profit"
"Decolonialization. Climate Justice. Antifa"**



**En planet,
En mänsklighet
En möjlighet,
En chans...**

**One Planet
One Humanity
One Possibility
One Chance**

Peace and Climate Justice Festival 22 Sep.



Linda Hamfors is interviewed
by Andreas Magnusson

The author Lasse Berg talks about how our ancestors during 6 million years developed the capacity to cooperate





Åke Eriksson, Stockholm Peace Association



Göran Folin, Friends of the Earth Stockholm



Aaron Tuckey
Climate Poet

**NÖRFLÖD OCH
VIMÅ**





"The Climate Crisis and the Threat of Nuclear Annihilation in the Shadow of the US Presidential Elections"

Pierre Schori, reviewed a few recent facts about the climate crisis, the threat of nuclear war, which increases with the Defense Cooperation Agreement and US access to Swedish military bases. Taking the Swedish-American Carl Sandburg, about whom he has

recently written a book, as his point of departure, he then proceeded to discuss the situation in the US – the growing class inequalities and the current political situation. This was followed by a Q and A focusing on how the Social Democratic Party as well as Swedish society as a whole handled the question of NATO membership and the Defense Cooperation Agreement. Pierre Schori gave clear examples of how unde-

mocratic the process had been both within the party and in our society.

"The Role of the UN and Our Joint Responsibility for the Environment and the Climate"

Pär Granstedt talked about the work of the UN Resource Panel, their findings and the role of the UN in climate action as well as about what is new on the climate front in Sweden. The ensuing discussion

Songs and speeches for peace and freedom 22 Sep.

The Arts Centre, Bergsjön. Motvals and Lisa Ahlqvist from the Gothenburg section of the Swedish Peace and Arbitration Society.

focused both the local level – what is or can be done in the way of ecological farming, for instance – and on necessary changes at a global level.





Ecological Crisis in a Time of War

a gathering at the Immanuel Church in Stockholm 26 Sep. Speakers below
from the left: Anders Wijkman, member of UN Resource Panel and former MEP, Elin
Ståhl Rebel Mother, Gabriella Irsten, Swedish Peace and Arbitration Society, Kristina
Östman, the Swedish Society of Nature Conservation and Carl Schlyter, Greenpeace







Jaan Cortobius speaks on behalf of
the organizers about Peace and Climate
Justice and the action week



Sanna Landgren gives a present from the
organizers to Anders Berndes from the
Immanuel Church for their hospitality

Activists on their way to celebrate the fruitful evening after the meeting in Immanuel church ended





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On Peace Square at the God's House in Fisksätra

28 September a gathering was held in God's house in the working class suburb Fisksätra in Nacka municipality close to Stockholm. Here Muslims and Christians coorporate and there is a plan to build a mosque in connection to the church. Here an ecumenical meeting was held for peace and climate justice.

Communities of Faith, Peace and Climate Justice, Fisksätra 28 Sep.



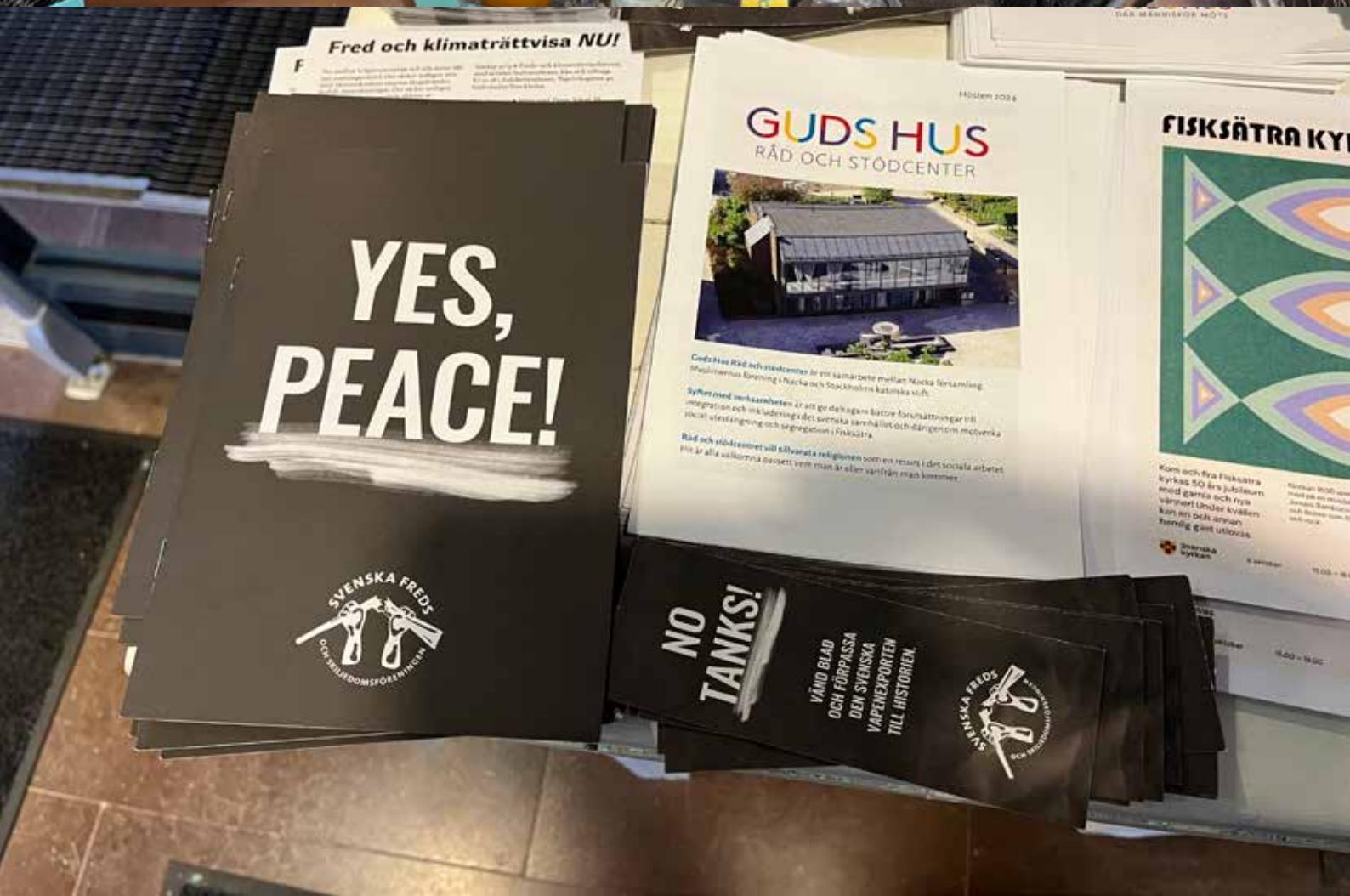




Peace on & with Earth

Panel from the Swedish Church, peace movement, Quakers,
Mosques and the Uniting Church. Moderator
from Artists for Peace.







Ulrika Murray

Four steps
towards the
action week



Fredsmässan - Peace Fair

In November 2023 where the call for Peace and Just Climate Transition was proposed by the Stockholm chapter of the Swedish Peace and Arbitration Society and was well received by Friends of the Earth Sweden, Artists for Peace and soon also Fridays for Future Lund



Folk och Fred - People and Peace

in Sälen January 2024 where the

mobilization for a summer camp for Peace and Climate Justice and a national campaign collecting 40,000 signatures for a referendum on US-bases and DCA were initiated



The studio in Sälen from where a 3 day webinar with international participation is held yearly as a counterweight to the conference Folk och försvar (Society and Defence) dominated by political parties, military, business and NATO interests.

Peace and Climate Justice summer camp



**Nordic gathering at
Lindsberg course center
- where new people joined the
preparation for the action week**

Jaan Cortobius, Awad Olwan and Lorenz Jolin discussing activities



Preparatory meeting for the action week at Café Dynamo - the meeting place for local groups in Stockholm



Peace and Just Climate Transition Now!

Come join and build a movement for peace on Earth and peace with the Earth. Now we must come together locally, nationally and internationally for a ceasefire and peace negotiations in all wars, for concrete solutions to climate problems and for a fair distribution of resources.

Militarization all over the world is consuming enormous resources needed to solve the climate crisis and other major problems of our time. To continue to devastate and exploit the natural resources as if they were infinite makes the planet uninhabitable. Life itself is threatened.

We cannot continue to live as if there are numerous globes. Energy use must be greatly reduced both through energy-efficient technology and an energy-efficient lifestyle. We must have a resource-saving society. That requires a fundamental change of the economic system and the society—a change for the better for those living in rural and urban areas and those working in agriculture, forestry, industry and service sectors.

War means that people are killed, injured and traumatized. People are forced to flee. Homes, communal buildings and infrastructure are destroyed. The environment is damaged by pollution, mines and bombs. War leads to military rearmament, it creates enemy images and builds fences between people. Instead we need to build peace.

We invite individuals and organizations to come along and create a people's campaign for peace and justice. We need to build bridges to live together and be able to work together to solve the climate problems. We must create a dignified life for all on our planet. We must work together to secure the food supply and save on our resources. We want the billions for military rearmament directed instead to climate, schools, healthcare and social care.

**Peace and just climate transition now!
Disarmament – for the environment and welfare!
For a just world!**

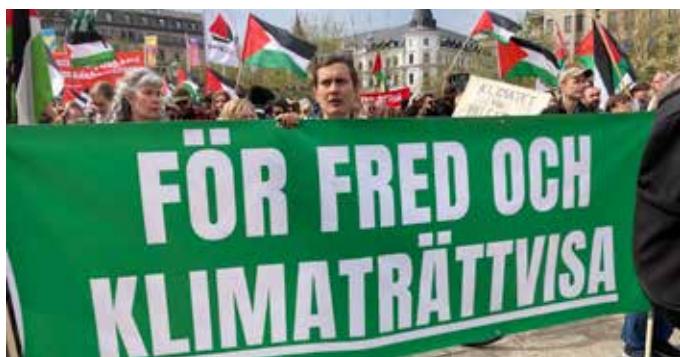
Stockholm Peace Association/Working group for peace and just climate change
Friends of the Earth Sweden Peace Committee
Artists for Peace
Fridays for Future Lund

The beginning

In 2023 the working group for peace and just climate transition in Stockholm Peace Association initiated a call for peace and climate. They were joined by the Peace Committee in Friends of the Earth Sweden, Artists for Peace and Fridays for Future Lund.

The idea was launched at a Peace fair in the House of Solidarity in Stockholm in November and at the People and Peace conference in Sälen in January 2024 for Peace on Earth and Peace with Earth.

At the Nordic summer camp for Peace and Climate Justice new activists joined and preparations started for the participation in the first Global Action Week for Peace and Climate Justice 21 - 28 September 2024. At the same time new organizations in Sweden signed the original call for Peace and Just Climate Transition Now!, see to the right. Local chapters from Fridays for Future in Malmö and Falköping joined as well as national chapters in Kenya and Cameroun. Also new local chapters of the Swedish Peace and Arbitration Society from Gothenburg and Umeå signed as well as Climate Action in Scania province and People against DCA, Women for Peace, and more see: <https://actionnetwork.org/forms/endorsingpcj/>





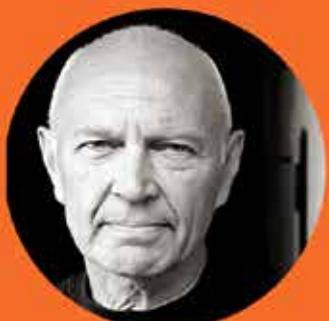
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Speakers at Action week in-person events in Sweden



Nico Edwards
Sussex University

kl 18:00 16/9
Café Dynamo
Södermannagatan 38
Stockholm



Pierre Schori
fd FN ambassadör

kl 17:30 23/9
Café Blå, Lunagallery
Södertälje
Stadsbiblioteket

Anders Wijkman
FN:s International Resource Panel



Immanuelskyrkan
Stockholm



Gabriella Irsten
Hållbar fred
Svenska Freds



Carl Schlyter
Klimat och systemomställning
Greenpeace



Pär Granstedt
fd riksdagsledamot

kl 18 26/9
ABF-huset
Södertälje



Elin Ståhl
Rebellmammorna



Kristina Östman
enhetsched klimat
Naturskyddsföreningen



A week to remember

All main environmental, climate, and peace organizations in Sweden participated for the first time in common activities for peace and climate justice. A historic week saying Now for future - Tomorrow is too late