

# MARCHA MUNDIAL

POR LA PAZ Y LA NO-VIOLENCIA

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# WORLD MARCH

FOR PEACE & NON-VIOLENCE



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## WORLD MARCH for PEACE and NON-VIOLENCE October 2, 2009 – January 2, 2010

Find all information on preparations and how to join the World March at:  
[www.marchamundial.org](http://www.marchamundial.org)

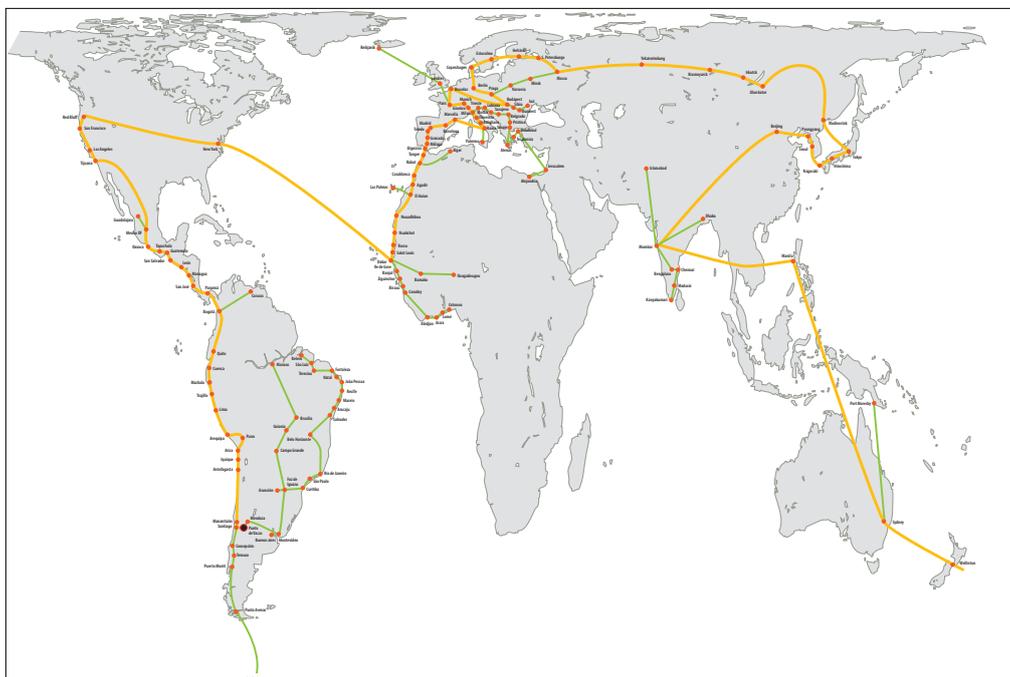
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[www.mundosinguerras.es/docus/63](http://www.mundosinguerras.es/docus/63)

It is the intention of this newsletter to reflect the innumerable number of preparatory activities, initiatives, anecdotes, enthusiasm and hope that the World March for Peace and Non-Violence is already producing, exactly one year before its actual beginning on New Zealand on October 2, 2009.

This march will circumnavigate the entire planet from October 2009 to January 2012 demanding an end to wars and proclaiming Non-Violence as a feasible option. It is the first time that such an action has been organized at a global level, trying to bring together all the organizations, institutions and people wanting to build a non-violent world because they think it is necessary, possible and that this is the opportune time to try it.

This action developed from the organization "World without Wars and without Violence", which is inviting all those who share this aspiration and this belief to add their initiatives to those already planned, and become co-organizers, participants and supporters of this worldwide project. They can do this by marching for a stretch, by organizing a branch route that joins the core March, by organizing activities in the places that the March passes through, by advertising it, by providing contacts, money, lodging, transportation, logistics.... Every initiative is welcome.

If all of us who want this to become a reality give a step forward in this march, our voice will be so loud that we will have to be listened to and we will have started to change the direction of History.



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To date, 28 September, the World March for Peace and Non-Violence has the following registrations on its webpage:

## Personal supporters:

# 657

From the following countries: **Argentina, Austria, Belgium, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Denmark, Ecuador, France, Germany, Great Britain, Greece, Guatemala, Holland, Honduras, India, Israel, Italy, Mauritania, Mexico, Mozambique, Paraguay, Peru, Poland, Portugal, Russia, Spain, Sweden, Uruguay, USA and Venezuela**

Some supporters from diverse countries:

- **Ana Belén**  
Spanish singer and actress
- **Eduardo Galeano**  
Uruguayan writer and journalist. One of the most outstanding representatives of Spanish-American literature.
- **Ian Gibson** Internationally recognized Irish author and Hispanic scholar. After the publication of his biography of Ruben Dario he was elected correspondent in the Nicaraguan Academy of the Spanish Language.
- **Mario Luis Rodríguez Cobos - Silo**, Writer, thinker, founder of Universalist Humanism. Doctor "honoris causa," Russian Academy of Sciences.
- **Desmond Tutu**  
Winner of the Nobel Peace Prize and member of the Honors Committee of the International Coordinating Committee for the Decade of Non-violence and Peace, the Reverend is a South African cleric who opposed apartheid.
- **Zubin Mehta**  
Well-known orchestra conductor. Doctor Honoris Causa with numerous other nominations and awards, including the Kennedy Center Honors.
- **Maximiliano Guerra**  
Dancer, Creator, Choreographer and Director. UNESCO Messenger of Peace since 2001.
- **Patricia May**  
Anthropologist, columnist and professor at the University of Chile, she has been recognized by the Chilean Government as an outstanding female social scientist for her contribution to social sciences and to social development.
- **Isidora Aguirre**  
Outstanding Chilean playwright. A large part of her production can be classified as "epic theater."
- **Nuria Peled-Elhanan** Israeli peace activist, professor at the Hebrew University, and one of the founders of Bereaved Families for Peace.
- **Ana Esther Ceceña**  
Economist, National Researcher, affiliated with the Institute of Economic Research of the National Independent University of Mexico.
- **Alejandro Jodorowsky**  
Multifaceted Chilean artist of Ukrainian Jewish origins.
- **Ariel Dorfman**  
Chilean writer and human rights activist.
- **Federico Mayor Zaragoza**  
Director-General of UNESCO for 12 years. Current President of the Foundation for a Culture of Peace.
- **Bruce Gagnon**  
Secretary/Coordinator of Global Network Against Weapons and Nuclear Power in Space.
- **Sonia Margarita Santiago**  
Spokesperson of Mothers against War, Puerto Rico

## Supporting organizations:

# 50

From the following countries: **Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Congo Democratic Republic, Costa Rica, France, Italy, Morocco, Portugal, Puerto Rico, Spain, Uruguay, USA and Venezuela**

### • Mayors and Cities:

4 of the Municipalities of **Amilcar Rivera de Mixto (Guatemala)**, City of **Peñalolen in Santiago, Chile**, City of **Paucarpata in Arequipa (Peru)** and **State Municipality of Trujillo (Peru)**.

- **Mariano Gálvez**  
University, Quetzaltenango (Guatemala)



## WM CURRENT MAP



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<http://docs.marchamundial.org/>

## INICIATIVES

- Since mid August when it began, there have been around 30 initiatives received through the web of the World March coming from different parts of the world.
- The most numerous from Spain, Chile and Argentina
- Many of them refer to prior mobilizations to the March to qualify young or eager people, to disseminate it and to achieve new initiatives.
- Proposals linked to the artistic world are also plentiful - music, theater - and those linked to education.
- An interesting idea is the proposal of a Baton/ Walking stick for the WM, with inscriptions and an orange ribbon.
- Another, very moving one, is a homage to the victims that crossed the straits of Gibraltar trying to escape economic violence.
- Coinciding with the passing of the WM, small boats will carry out a voyage of about 100km, stopping at eight ports; beginning in Málaga and ending in Algeciras or Tarifas.
- On another level, we intend initiatives of contact with companies and with municipalities looking for their support, economic as well as with dissemination.
- These initiatives do not include all those that have arisen in the different contacts maintained by World without Wars with all the places through which the March will go.
- We expect, nevertheless that soon we shall be able to access from the web all the initiatives so that they may inspire others.

24 September 2008

September 27th & 28th 2008

## Forum in Malaga for a Nuclear Free Mediterranean region.

The interest of the Nuclear Free Mediterranean Forum is to increase awareness of the danger of nuclear weapons for civil society and the possible consequences in all fields of human activities. The Mediterranean, rich in cultural contributions for all humanity, can be a pioneer in the development of a "Peace Culture" that promotes the creation of a new social consciousness, that gives priority to values such as equality, tolerance and social justice. The coast, a link for so many historical encounters for different civilizations, can be the frame for Nuclear Disarmament where dozens of countries, hundreds of towns and millions of human beings live together in peaceful co-existence – the destiny of this Region. The Forum will have Thematic Tables, Speeches, Reports, Encounters, Artistic Expressions and will close with a Festival.

Info: <http://mundosinguerras.blogspot.com>

22 September 2008

## Tuscany has joined the World March.

This Italian Region already has a World March Web Page: <http://marciamondialetoscana.org>

21 September, 2008

## Launching of the World March in San Jose, Costa Rica

### AT THE CELEBRATIONS FOR THE INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR NON-VIOLENCE

The Square of Cultures was the place selected for the Friends for Peace Center, World Without Wars and The Community for the Human Development to have a joyful cultural encounter where amongst music, tale histories and exhibitions the World March was presented. The reception in the heart of the capital was big, there were a lot of signatures obtained from among the many foreign visitors and locals.

20 September 2008

## The Canary Islands are already in March

The promoting teams from Gran Canaria and Tenerife had a meeting on Saturday 20th to start the organization the branch of the March starting in the Canary Islands

20 September 2008

## News of activities from La Paz

The team promoting the World March in Bolivia named in its meeting of September 10th, two spokespersons for La Paz and another for Concha and included in the promotion team

## NEWS:

# JULY 19th - SEPTEMBER 28th

25 September 2008

## Video clips for Non-violence



### Laura Rodriguez Foundation Competition (Chile)

The Laura Rodriguez Foundation has decided to join the World March and in its task of spreading Active Non Violence is organizing a Video clip competition that shows how Non-Violence is the only possible way to build up a society with justice, peace and humanity.

The micro-videos can be directed to different types of violence (declared as a sickness by the OMS in 2007): physical, economic, racial, cultural, religious, moral or psychological.

Videos will be received from October 2nd and will be presented on December 2nd at the First Festival for a World Without Wars and Without Violence.

Requirements: <http://www.laurarodriguez.cl>

25 September 2008.

## Bruce Gagnon Interview in Copenhagen.

Juka Uski (International Humanist in Finland) interviewed in Copenhagen the Coordinator of the Global Network Against Weapons & Nuclear Power in Space.

Web:<http://space4peace.org>

Interview: <http://it.youtube.com/watch?v=ZN8OG0QwMHY>

Adesproc-Libertad and the Collective GLBT. The meeting coordinated videotape recordings of endorsements by Father Obermayer, the Defender of the People, Waldo Albarracin and the indigenous film director Demetrio Nica. It also gave form to several initiatives in the World March such as the installation of a stand in the Sunday fair of El Prado, with mime performances and a rally of the Campaign for Non violence and Tolerance with music, dance and a presentation by the Defender of the People. Bolivia is also preparing its celebration of the day of non violence on October 2nd and the launch of the World March on December 6th.

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17 September 2008

## Guinea Bissau joins the March

New web-blog recently opened will gather information about the WM in Guinea Bissau. The route around the country is being set up. Web: <http://guinebissaumarchmundial.blogspot.com>

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17 September 2008

## Women unite to defend the planet



### For a future without military bases or Star shields

The European Parliament's headquarters in Brussels welcomed women's movements against military bases. Organized by the Vice-president of the EP, Luisa Morgantini, there was a presentation by Dana Feminova of the campaign "No to the Star Shield", Anna Polo from Europe for Peace as well as representatives of "No Dal Molin" - fighting against the installation of the biggest US military base in Europe in Vicenza-Italy -, Donne in Nero, Citizens of USA for peace and justice and several European parliamentarians.

All the interventions confirmed the clear intention of militarising Europe with absurd bilateral agreements between USA and governments of different countries, ignoring the opposition of the citizens, as well as the continuous smear campaigns that peace activists are made subject of.

The next meeting, on November 1st in Prague, will continue to advance the need for a clear and firm position in matters that affect the whole of Europe and not only in the countries that seek to install military bases.

Web: [http://www.nenasili.cz/es/1841\\_mujeres-juntas-para-defender-el-planeta](http://www.nenasili.cz/es/1841_mujeres-juntas-para-defender-el-planeta)

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18 September 2008



## Concert for World Peace

OCTOBER 11th, MANANTIALES PARK, CHILE

Organised by Pangea Foundation and promoted by World Without Wars.

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16 September 2008

## Meeting of the promoting team in Catalonia

The first meeting to stimulate the promoting team of the World March took place in Catalonia.

Web: <http://marxamundial.info>

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8 September 2008

## Forum for a Nuclear Free Mediterranean

MARSEILLES NOVEMBER 22nd & 23rd

The promoting team of the Forum for a nuclear free Mediterranean has been constituted and a meeting will take place in Marseilles on 22nd and 23rd November.

Info: <http://fordesarmed.online.fr>

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6 September 2008



## Inauguration of Caucaia Park

On Saturday September 6th Caucaia Park was inaugurated in São Paulo, Brazil. After the opening ceremony in the Meditation Hall, an announcement was made about the World March. The special celebrations continued on Sunday 7th with a day of interchange with the participation of about 80 friends from Brazil, Chile, Argentina, Spain, Italy, France and Paraguay.

Web: [www.parquecaucaia.org](http://www.parquecaucaia.org)

21 August 2008

## News of the World March from La Paz

Members of the promotion team of the WM in Bolivia are organizing a series of public events and interviews for the media to raise awareness about the World March. During the week they have participated in various programs: Tuesday 19, in "Al calor de la noche" of channel 18. Wednesday 20, in Radio Lasser, FM 98, a station which supports the WM; in direct transmission, the editor of the national newspaper "El Diario" expressed support to WM and "El Diario" joined as a supporting media of the WM. Friday, in the news of TV Bolivision and in the program "Pura Vida", of channel 11 of TV Red Uno. Saturday, interview in the program "Viva Bolivia", Channel 4 RTP. Monday 25, newflash of channel PAT and participation in "Buenos días Bolivia", channel 7. Also various presentations and meetings in search of initiatives: in the main lecture hall of the Faculty of Justice of the UMSA, in auditorium 4, UC Boliviana and in Hotel Torino. The week was closed in this same hotel with the meeting of the promotion team of the WM on Monday 25.

19 August 2008

## The Municipality of La Florida in Chile integrates the World March in its educational programmes

In support of the World March, the Mayor of the municipality of La Florida has made available the psychosocial team that acts in municipal schools. In this way the World March becomes an object of study for the students of this community. The March, conceived as a historical, cultural and geographical event, is to be analyzed through different areas:

1. Understanding of the society: Through how many countries does the peace caravan pass? What kind of an economy, money and culture do each of the countries have? How have these countries influenced our culture? ... etc.
2. Mathematics: How many kilometers does the peace caravan travel and in how many days? How long distance is travelled in 5 days in Europe? How much does it cost to feed a person who joins the caravan in Asia and reaches all the way to South America?... etc.
3. Understanding of nature: which minerals are available in each region, what kind of animals are common in each region through which the peace caravan travels, etc.
4. Language: analyzing the text which explains the travel of the peace caravan, creating a group presentation which expresses the values that the peace caravan transmits, etc.

This way the students are encouraged to live this worldwide event through their own experience, setting in motion actions such as a walk through the municipality, a bicycle journey, a festival, a photography competition, a drama competition, etc. And they feel in themselves that it is not indifferent what they do, but on the contrary their contribution to this universal humanist construction can be very special.

14 August 2008

## WORLD WITHOUT WARS DECLARES IN FRONT OF THE EMBASSIES OF RUSSIA AND GEORGIA IN MADRID:

### War is bad business

On Wednesday 13 August a delegation of World Without Wars was present in front of the embassies of Russia and Georgia in Madrid as a denunciation of the situation of war between those countries. Once again World Without Wars expressed their renouncement of the use of violence as a way of conflict resolution, and handed a statement to the ambassadors of Russia and Georgia so that this could be forwarded to the presidents of those countries.

6 August 2008



## WWW Chile held a memorial event of the bombing of Hiroshima

On August 6, the anniversary of the nuclear bombing of Hiroshima, and publicizing the World March for Peace and Nonviolence, World without Wars Chile organised a memorial event in Providencia, Santiago de Chile.

2 August 2008

### Preparatory meeting of the March in Chile

## PROMOTING TEAM STARTED

On a beautiful, bright day the first meeting of the promoting team of the World March was held in Manantiales Park, with the participation of 80 persons. The meeting was very enthusiastic and without hurry, the different aspects were viewed and it was seen who would like to take charge of each function of the team. The sensation was that "this will proceed with a lot of force, all the time there are more people involved and nothing can stop this".

20 July 2008



## First practice of the World March in Barcelona

Invited by the association "World without Wars", a hundred persons from many countries of Europe, America and Africa gathered in Barcelona last Sunday, 20 July, to practice what would be the World March for Peace and Nonviolence.

The participants of the performance of Barcelona walked, travelled by metro, buses, taxis and boats, to end up entering the Mediterranean Sea, symbolizing the path to the other side of the sea. Thus they tested the great diversity of travels, environments, cultures and contributions which could converge in the great march of 2009 in which all this diversity unites in an intention of Peace and Nonviolence through the entire course of the travel. All of the travels were accompanied by entertaining and playful activities, converting Barcelona into the pioneering city in support of the WM and its urban landscapes into an image which invites the world to join.

Webs: [www.marxamundial.blogspot.com](http://www.marxamundial.blogspot.com) [www.mundosinguerras.org](http://www.mundosinguerras.org)

19 July 2008



## Week of Creativity for the World March

More than 80 professionals gathered by World without Wars, coming mainly from Europe, met in Barcelona during the week of 14 to 20 of July 2008 to study proposals and to design the campaign for the launching of the World March for Peace and Nonviolence. Working together and connecting through internet with other points of the globe it was possible to give form to the starting image of the World March, and for the dissemination of initiatives and interchange that can be continued in the blog of the creative team:

<http://marchamundialcreative.blogspot.com>

<http://marxamundial.blogspot.com>

## WORLD MARCH WEBS

### INTERNATIONAL WEB:

[www.marchamundial.org](http://www.marchamundial.org)

### WM-DOCUMENTS AND OFFICIAL MATERIALS

<http://docs.marchamundial.org/>

### WM-CREATIVE:

<http://marchamundialcreative.blogspot.com/>

### WM-WEEK OF CREATIVITY:

<http://marxamundial.blogspot.com>

### WM GERMANY:

<http://weltweitermarsch.twoday.net>

### WM ARGENTINA:

[www.marchamundial.org.ar](http://www.marchamundial.org.ar)

#### WM Tucumán:

<http://tucumarchax1nmundosinguerras.blogspot.com>

#### WM Río Negro:

<http://www.mundosinguerrarionegro.blogspot.com>

### WM BELGIUM:

<http://www.worldmarch.ca/>

<http://lamarchemondiale.overblog.com>

### WM CANADA:

[www.worldmarch.ca](http://www.worldmarch.ca) & [www.marchemondiale.ca](http://www.marchemondiale.ca)

### WM CHILE:

[www.marchamundial.cl](http://www.marchamundial.cl)

### WM SPAIN:

#### WM Valencia:

[www.marchamundialvalencia.com](http://www.marchamundialvalencia.com)

#### WM Catalunya:

<http://marxamundial.info>

### WM GUINEA BISSAU:

<http://guinebissaumarchamundial.blogspot.com>

### WM ITALY

#### WM Toscana:

<http://www.marciamondialetoscana.org>

### WM SENEGAL:

<http://marche-mondiale-senegal.blogspot.com>

### WM SWITZERLAND:

[www.weltweiterMarsch.eu](http://www.weltweiterMarsch.eu)

### MM VENEZUELA:

<http://marchamundialvenezuela.wordpress.com>

## WORLD WITHOUT WARS WEBS

### WEB INTERNACIONAL

[www.mundosinguerras.org](http://www.mundosinguerras.org)

### WWW GERMANY

<http://www.weltohnekriege.humanista.eu>

### WWW ARGENTINA

[www.mundosinguerras.net](http://www.mundosinguerras.net)

### WWW BOLIVIA

[www.msgbolivia.org](http://www.msgbolivia.org)

### WWW CHILE

[www.mundosinguerras.cl](http://www.mundosinguerras.cl)

### WWW ECUADOR

<http://www.mundosinguerras.ec>

### WWW SPAIN

[www.mundosinguerras.es](http://www.mundosinguerras.es)

### WWW Andalucía

<http://www.msgandalucia.blogspot.com>

### WWW Canarias

<http://www.msgcanarias.org>

### WWW Catalunya

<http://monsensegueres.org>

### WWW Lugo

<http://mundosenguerraslugo.blogspot.com>

### WWW Tenerife

<http://msgysv.blogspot.com>

### WWW FRANCE

<http://mondesansguerres.hautetfort.com>

### WWW GRECIA

[www.kosmosxorispolemous.gr](http://www.kosmosxorispolemous.gr)

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