

## 20th Anniversary Commemoration Activities

### **BELARUS**

#### **Comchernobyl: International Conference**

April 19-21 2006, Minsk, Belarus

During the 58th Session of the UN General Assembly, the Republic of Belarus announced that the international conference it had initiated for the occasion of the 20th anniversary of the Chernobyl accident would be held in Minsk in 2006. It is scheduled to last three days from April 19-21, 2006. The main objective of the conference is to analyse the accumulated Chernobyl disaster relief experience and to develop recommendations to define the strategy of action in this field for the next decade. Representatives of the Russian Federation and Ukraine, international organisations, governmental organisations and NGOs of the donor states will participate in the conference.

[www.chernobyl.info/index.php?navID=434&IID=2](http://www.chernobyl.info/index.php?navID=434&IID=2)

#### **Exhibition of Works by Hirokawa Ryuichi**

April 2006, Minsk and Gomel, Belarus

The exhibition will consist of around 60 works aiming to once again remind the world of the nuclear danger and attract the world community's attention to the Chernobyl problem with the purpose of increasing assistance to the affected regions. The exhibition is supported by the Chernobyl Children's Fund, Japan.

<http://www.chernobyl.by/data/rus/news/enu20th/enu20th-news>

### **RUSSIA**

#### **Current status of the Chernobyl zone areas in Russia**

By the 20th anniversary of the Chernobyl disaster, the Russian Federation has promised to produce a national report on how the consequences of the catastrophe over the past 20 years have been overcome.

<http://ibrae.ac.ru/russian/news.html>

#### **NEW! International Scientific Conference "20 Years after Chernobyl Catastrophe: Ecological and Social Lessons"**

5 July 2006, Moscow

The conference will be dedicated to the discussion of scientific, social and political aspects of the ecological, medical, moral, social and economical consequences of the

Chernobyl catastrophe as well as the problems of survival, health and economical activity in the affected regions. The conference working languages are Russian and English. For more information, please, contact Eugene Krysanov +7 495 135 7218, E-mail: [atomsafe@online.ru](mailto:atomsafe@online.ru)

## **UKRAINE**

### **International Conference "Twenty years after the Chernobyl accident. Future Outlook"**

April 2006, Kyiv, Ukraine

The conference will promote an effective implementation of modern international experience in such areas as: Minimization of the consequences of Chernobyl accident, countermeasures efficiency, radiation protection for the people and environment, medical and biological consequences of radiation accidents, strengthening of nuclear safety and economy of nuclear power development, emergency management of radiological accidents, legal aspects of emergency response, radioactive waste management, nuclear power plants decommissioning.

Working languages will be Ukrainian, Russian and English.

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### **Chornobyl+20: Remembrance for the Future**

April 23-25, 2006, Kyiv, Ukraine

The international conference will bring together independent scientists, environmentalists, NGO organizations, sustainable energy experts and a broad public audience for a new examination of the 1986 Chornobyl accident's continuing health, social and economic consequences and to draw new attention to the promise and need to implement sustainable energy technologies.

Further information: <http://www.ch20.org>

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## **WORLDWIDE**

### **NEW! Public lecture at Cambridge University by Alla Yaroshinskaya**

24 February 2006, Umney Lecture Theatre, Robinson College, Cambridge, UK  
Alla Yaroshinskaya (Moscow), the president and founder of the Ecological Charity Fund, as

well as the editor and publisher of the Nuclear Encyclopedia, will conduct a 4th Annual Stasiuk Lecture in Contemporary Ukrainian Studies at Cambridge University. The topic of the lecture will be her forthcoming book, 'Big Lie: Chernobyl Twenty years on'.  
Cambridge Committee for Russian and East European Studies  
[www.camcrees.group.cam.ac.uk](http://www.camcrees.group.cam.ac.uk)

**8th Irish & UK Local Authorities Standing Conference on Nuclear Hazards  
Chernobyl 20 Years On: Nuclear Costs & Energy Futures**

23 March 2006, City Hall, London, UK

The conference will review the continuing legacy of the Chernobyl disaster and its impact upon public health and the environment in the British Isles. Prospects for new nuclear construction in the UK; prospects for implementing policy for UK radioactive wastes; and opportunities to meet energy needs and tackle climate change without recourse to nuclear energy will also be under discussion.

For the first time the conference will link up with Chernobyl Children's Charities and leading environmental and energy campaigners for joint plenary presentations.

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**Chernobyl - 20 years and beyond**

24 March, 2006, Brussels, Belgium

In commemoration of the Chernobyl accident 20 years ago, the French Society for Radiation Protection (SFRP) and the Belgian Society for Radiation Protection (BVSABR) organise jointly a one day colloquium. Speakers with various backgrounds will present a synthesis of technical, organisational and humanitarian aspects.

[www.chernobyl.info/resources/resource\\_en\\_83.pdf](http://www.chernobyl.info/resources/resource_en_83.pdf)

**Conference at the University of Wisconsin-Madison**

24-25 March, 2006, Madison, WI, USA

The conference will examine the legacy of Chernobyl, including the ongoing psychological and social effects of the disaster in affected areas and how the response of governmental and nongovernmental organizations has changed over time to address the evolving nature of the disaster. Under discussion will also be the legacy of Chernobyl in the USA, including efforts of local and regional NGOs to aid and train population in the affected lands.

The event is co-sponsored by the university's Center for Russia, East Europe and Central Asia and the NGO Friends of Chernobyl Centers U.S. Inc. (FOCCUS).

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**VI International 4th Block Triennial of Eco Poster**

March-April 2006, Kharkov, Ukraine

The international 4th Block Triennial, a unique exhibition of artists and designers from many countries of the world, takes place in Kharkov once in three years and shows the last findings in graphics and eco poster art. The Triennial 2006 coincides with the 20th anniversary of the Chernobyl catastrophe and has chosen the slogan of "Chernobyl 20

years on". Within the framework of the triennial it is planned to carry out an international eco poster exhibition, "Anti-AIDS - Ukraine" poster exhibition and a series of the youth art sections.

[www.chernobyl.info/resources/resource\\_en\\_81.pdf](http://www.chernobyl.info/resources/resource_en_81.pdf)

### **International Congress: 20 years of living with Chernobyl – Experiences and Lessons for the Future**

3-5 April 2006, Berlin, Germany

The target of this congress is to present the true consequences of the Chernobyl disaster and make sure that this information is widely communicated. The organisers are the German "Gesellschaft für Strahlenschutz e.V." (society for radiation protection) and the European Committee on Radiation Risk (ECRR), together with the IPPNW und the scientific information service "Strahlentelex". Doctors, scientists and engineers are invited to present discuss research results, including findings from the Chernobyl context that have so far been largely ignored or that have proved difficult to publish. Any other interested parties, representatives of Chernobyl-related initiatives and politicians who want to find out about the scientific foundations of radiation protection efforts are also invited to attend. The official congress languages will be German, Russian and English, with simultaneous interpreting provided.

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### **NEW! The international Congress “Nuclear Power Timebomb - 20 Years after Chernobyl” of the organization “International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War” (IPPNW)**

April 7-9, 2006

Bonn, German Bundestag and City Hall of Bonn-Bad-Godesberg

The Congress Topics:

The Effects of Chernobyl: Truth and lies, education and opposition – Health Risks Posed by Nuclear Installations – The Renaissance of Nuclear Energy – Nuclear Proliferation – Renewable Energy. Sun not Nukes.

The German section of the IPPNW, association “Physicians for Social Responsibility” in cooperation with experts in the field of natural sciences “Initiatives for Peace and Future”, “Network of Cooperation of Movements for Peace”, Bonn and Radiating Protection Society.

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### **Memorial Concert Dedicated to the 20th Anniversary of Chernobyl Disaster**

April 9, 2006, Toronto, Canada.

The concert was initiated by the Children Of Chornobyl Canadian Fund ("CCCCF") and is aimed at reminding the world community of the Chernobyl nuclear disaster of April 1986 and its consequences. Musicians, solo voices, choruses and choirs, will gather en masse, at a memorial concert to be held at Roy Thomson Hall in Toronto on April 9th 2006 at 7:00 pm to commemorate the lost lives and human suffering sustained and will impress upon our community the vigilance required that such catastrophic events never happen again.

<http://www.chornobyl.ca>

Tickets available, Roy Thomson Hall, box office, January 06, 416 872 4255

### **Medact Conference "20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Chernobyl-The True Health & Environmental Legacy"**

22 April, 2006, Royal College of Surgeons

35-43 Lincoln's Inn Field, London, WC2A 3PE UK

09:00-17:30

The conference, held by Medact - UK charity for global health, working on issues related to conflict, poverty and the environment, will cover the deaths, illnesses, environmental and psychosocial effects related to Chernobyl disaster.

For more information visit [www.medact.org](http://www.medact.org)

[http://www.medact.org/article\\_about\\_medact.php?articleID=420](http://www.medact.org/article_about_medact.php?articleID=420)

### **Symposium: Chernobyl 1986 - 2006: Consequences for the future**

April 23. - 25. 2006, Berlin, Germany

The symposium of the German Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety and the Environmental Policy Research Centre (FFU) of the Free University of Berlin addresses decision makers from the fields of Environmental Policy, Energy, Social and Natural Sciences, Trade Associations, Nongovernmental Organisations as well as Energy- and Environmental Initiatives.

<http://www.bmu.de/>

[www.fu-berlin.de/ffu](http://www.fu-berlin.de/ffu)

[www.berlinonline.de/urania](http://www.berlinonline.de/urania)

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### **Commemoration of the Chernobyl Disaster: The Human Experience Twenty Years Later**

April 26, 2006. Kennan Institute, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars

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### **NEW! Joint Concert of Gomel and Aberdeen Choirs**

28 April 2006, Aberdeen, Scotland, UK

The Dziannitsa Choir of Gomel State University and the University of Aberdeen Choral Society will perform a joint choral concert to commemorate the 20th anniversary of the Chernobyl disaster, to honour the 15 years of friendship between the twin cities of Aberdeen and Gomel and to celebrate the lives of the people of Gomel during these years. The concert is being organised by a partnership of Aberdeen Gomel Trust, Friends of Gomel, University of Aberdeen, Aberdeen City Council.

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### **2nd Music and Flower Festival**

28 April – 1 May, Long Newton, UK

2nd Music and Flower Festival including an Art Exhibition and Photographic Competition will be held with the purpose of raising money for Chernobyl Children's Life Line and Chernobyl Children's Project UK foundations.

Alan Wade. Tel 01642 580986

### **New Website: German Government is starting Preparations for "Chernobyl+20"**

The German Environmental Ministry and the Research Institute for Environmental Policy at the Free University of Berlin launched an information platform on the planned activities for spring 2006. The website is currently in German, but will be available in English and Russian soon.

<http://www.tschernobyl2006.de/>

### **New Book: Chernobyl, Twenty Years - Twenty Lives**

It is a joint photo-journalistic project of the independent photoagency Earth-Vision and World Information Service on Energy (WISE). The aim is to explore what the world has learned from living with the Chernobyl accident for twenty years and to have twenty individual Europeans tell about how their lives changed due to the accident.

The project will result in a book, an exhibition, and a website to be launched at the twentieth anniversary of Chernobyl catastrophe in April 2006. See the project summary [here](#).

Detailed Information: <http://www.earth-vision.biz/20lives/index2.htm>

A series of excerpts from the project is presented at the Chernobyl Children's Project International website <http://www.chernobyl-international.org/2020.html>

## Chornobyl: The Next Generation

A coalition of professional, educational and community organizations in Chicago is hosting **Chornobyl: The Next Generation conference** to mark the 20th anniversary of the world's worst nuclear plant disaster.

The conference will examine the ongoing health and social effects of the disaster on Ukraine and Belarus. Participants will discuss the effects on both countries and provide new information on consequences that continue to have an impact on the population. The distinguished panel of experts includes: David Marples, professor of history, University of Alberta, Edmonton, and the author of "The Social Impact of the Chornobyl Disaster," Dr. Ihor Masnyk, director of the Chornobyl Research Project, U.S. National Cancer Institute, Dr. A. E. Okeanov, vice rector, International Sakharov Environmental University, Belarus and Dr. Pavlo Zamostyan, Project Manager, UN Chornobyl Recovery and Development Program.

Also on the agenda are discussions of the sarcophagus and international relief efforts, as well as nuclear energy safety, with presentations by Dr. Andrew Sowder, U.S. Department of State, Daria Hirniak Khan of Bechtel, Alex Kuzma, Children of Chornobyl Relief and Development Fund, and others.

The conference was organized through the joint efforts of the Ukrainian Business and Professional Group of Chicago, the Ukrainian Medical Association of North America-Illinois Chapter, the Ukrainian Engineers' Society, Chicago Chapter, and the University of Illinois at Chicago Occupational Health and Safety Center.

The conference will be held on Saturday, April 29, 9:00 am 5:00 pm, at the School of Public Health at the University of Illinois in Chicago. It will be preceded by an evening reception on Friday, April 28, at the Ukrainian National Museum, which will be showing a special Chornobyl exhibit.

Pre-registration by April 26 is required. The registration fee is \$35 general public, \$15 students, \$10 for box lunches. Register and pay by credit card at (312) 996-6904 or online at [128.248.232.70/glakes/ce/register.asp?gid=369](http://128.248.232.70/glakes/ce/register.asp?gid=369)