

Website

Design of a dynamic website, which will be online under the domain: npsglobal.org. Upload of main modules and relevant content.

The appropriate management of this trilingual [Spanish/Portuguese/English] website, is seen as a key to success for our communication/ awareness/ education programs.

Program: Education for Prevention and Response

Weapons of Mass Destruction and Nonproliferation Seminar

Takes place in Buenos Aires and it has been delivered for the last 4 years. It is a 8-session activity, open to the citizens, and covers the topic's multiple dimensions, from technical aspects of the weapons to the international control regimes, traditional and post September 11th. Also includes strategies for prevention and response.

Student population usually includes Government officials, Congress advisors, mainly involved on Defense issues, military personnel, scientists, people related to emergency response, analysts, and interested citizens.

Members of NPSGlobal will conduct the activity, and the Foundation will provide full scholarships to attend it. Plans include deliver the Seminar all over Latin America

Postgraduate Course in Disarmament and Nonproliferation [380 hours in 3 semesters]

It will be a regional course, delivered in Spanish.

The project is currently on a development stage. The faculty will be composed by top local and foreign experts.

The project will be submitted to accreditation by the CONEAU, National Commission of University Evaluation and Accreditation, within the Education Ministry, in April 2008.

NPSGlobal is leading the development of the project.

As a result of a cooperation agreement with the Escuela Superior Técnica, IESE, University of the Army, members of the Foundation have been appointed as Academic Coordinator and professors.

In addition, the Foundation will provide full scholarships to attend the activity, when launched in 2009.

Lectures covering different publics/ spaces

An usual activity performed by members of the Foundation all over Argentina, will be hopefully expanded to neighbor countries.

Program: Proposals for Action

Several studies under development.

Program: Support to decision making

Working on suggestions about of the project of Law of Strategic Trade, currently at Reps Chamber, Argentine Congress.

Program: Networks of International Cooperation

Our plans for the short term include contacts with international organizations in order to explore ways of mutual cooperation and potential agreements. In addition, to get academic support for our Education Programs.

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Why NPSGlobal?

Potential use of current arsenals and proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, happen to be true threats without boundaries.

The **NPSGlobal Foundation** is a private and non-profit initiative, oriented to apply all its resources to help reduce risks derived from such threats, and to give support, in order to build up adequate and opportune responses, to increase the global security.

Get involved with our Foundation through your ideas, your work and your economic support.

Irma Argüello
Chairwoman/CEO

Our Principles

We recognize that the concept of "mass destruction" covers a wide range of effects and, therefore, goes beyond the number of human lives involved. This fact, significantly rises up the quantity and quality of threats to global security.

Disarmament and nonproliferation should be a priority for every nation, and a common goal of the global community. Countries should work together in order to coordinate their efforts towards nonproliferation.

Cooperation should be carried out without affecting nations' sovereign decisions and their technological development for peaceful uses.

In order to face global threats, related to the existence and dissemination of weapons of mass destruction, is necessary to think in terms of prevention, to reduce the risks of occurrence of undesired events, and response, to minimize their potential negative impacts.

We think disarmament and nonproliferation as issues of concern, not only for governments, but also for committed individuals and societies.

We strongly believe in plurality of views, interdisciplinary approaches, and teamwork, as main sources of ideas and proposals to help achieve global security goals.

Knowledge is the first step to action.

Our Mission

Proposing, promoting and developing strategies and actions to identify and reduce national and global security risks derived from the proliferation and use of armaments, conventional or not, in all present forms, and the ones that may rise in the future, with special emphasis on the weapons and/ or methods of mass destruction.

Likewise, proposing, promoting and developing strategies and actions of response to such threats, at nation and global levels.

Actions with a Global Scope

We guide our actions to cover up a global range, even recognizing the peculiarities of different countries and regions. We focus all our energy and capability at the service of the diffusion, education, expansion of knowledge, technical assistance to governments and entities, and we also offer scholarships and other incentives for training and research.

In order to fulfill our mission, we firmly believe in the benefits of a coordinated work with similar international and national organizations.

Our Programs

The work of the **NPSGlobal Foundation** is developed through five main programs. They are:

- **Knowledge without Boundaries**
- **Education for Prevention and Response**
- **Proposals for Action**
- **Support to Decision Making**
- **Networks of International Cooperation**

Details on Programs

Knowledge without Boundaries

The main goal is to increase access to information, surpassing language barriers, and to promote commitment and awareness among governments and citizenship.

Focus is placed upon the diffusion of content in Spanish and Portuguese, with a potential scope of over 600 million people, in 25 countries where these languages are the official ones, and in the United States, where around 13 % of the population speaks Spanish as their first language. The diffusion will mainly take place through our website: www.npsglobal.org

Education for Prevention and Response

Includes a set of projects focused on articulating fragmentary knowledge into a common language, with the purpose of achieving an integrated view on related topics.

Promotes the assembling of experts able to design and implement strategies, plans and policies, to lead high performance teams -in different circumstances and spaces- and to provide founded opinions and recommendations on the matter.

Covers activities at universities and other learning environments, and includes scholarships and incentives sub-programs.

Proposals for Action

Has to do with creating a space for research and knowledge growth, based on applicability criteria. It implies going from analysis to concrete proposals for action. It is composed of two subprograms:

Key Issues on Disarmament and Nonproliferation

Promotes studies and proposals related to key topics of concern, such as: nuclear arsenals, chemical, biological and radiological weapons, nuclear materials and fuel cycle, missiles, nonproliferation strategies, export control regimes, threats assessment, action of non-state actors, and illicit trading.

Geo Profiles

This subprogram provides an environment for analysis of the situation of different geographical units, such as countries, areas, sub-regions, regions, and the entire global system. Also promotes the formulation of proposals, aligned to the general goals of disarmament and nonproliferation.

Support to Decision Making

Through this program, the Foundation provides advice and technical/political assistance to governments and entities, at a nation and international levels.

The goal is to facilitating the design of public policies, strategies, plans, projects and the decision making process, supplying appropriate and opportune information.

Networks of International Cooperation

The goal is to promote interchanges and common actions with entities with similar or complementary objectives, with especial emphasis placed on educational and nongovernmental organizations.

Short Term Plans 2008

Program: **Knowledge without Boundaries**

Events related to nuclear disarmament. Towards a World Free of Nuclear Weapons

Presentation of NPSGlobal. Panel of discussion with participants of the region tentatively scheduled for June.