

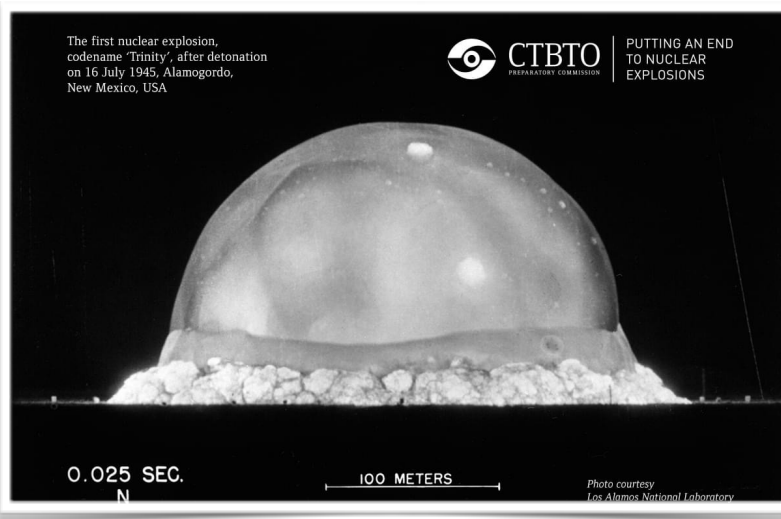


PUTTING AN  
END TO NUCLEAR  
EXPLOSIONS

## June-July Update

### How to Get Involved

- ✦ Check out the training videos and education modules on the Knowledge and Training Portal [here](#).
- ✦ If you have articles, comments, ideas about communication for publication on the CYG website - please, contact Peter ([peter.rickwood@atomicreporters.org](mailto:peter.rickwood@atomicreporters.org))
- ✦ In addition, please join us on social media and two global WhatsApp groups. Let's stay in touch and discuss relevant issues and events!
- ✦ **WhatsApp: CYG\_Social** -- <https://chat.whatsapp.com/8Z14C1Ovul83r4xFbn1Kla>
- ✦ **WhatsApp: CYG\_Official** -- <https://chat.whatsapp.com/5Z5YJyUp1l3DYPKEBfZr5>
- ✦ **Facebook Page** – <https://www.facebook.com/youth.ctbt/>
- ✦ **Facebook Group** – <https://www.facebook.com/groups/899890040154216/>
- ✦ **Twitter** – Follow [@Youth4CTBT](https://twitter.com/Youth4CTBT) and let us know if you have any ideas for content or campaigns
- ✦ Check with your coordinator to see which social media platform you can join!



### Recent Events

#### *Lectures for MEPhI Pre-University students, June 2, 4*



The CYG Coordinator for Eastern Europe Natalia Zhurina and Communications Coordinator Valeria Korotchenko took part in summer practical seminars where they told high school students about the CYG, its objective and activities, and shared their membership experience.

#### *Virtual EU JobFair, June 8-12*

A member of the organizing committee and the CTBTO Youth Group, Andrei Cursaru invited the CYG Coordinator for Eastern Europe Natalia Zhurina to give a presentation on the CYG for young specialists from European Union who want to develop their careers in the field of international affairs. In her presentation Natalia highlighted that joining the CYG is the first step that everyone can do to get involved in nuclear disarmament issues and start making difference.



### CYG Newsroom project webinar, June 22

The Atomic Reporters Team organized a special training webinar to help CYGs develop their citizen journalism strengths. The specialists described how to find reliable information, use effective social media practices, get the best still and video images, and produce quality audio for podcasts.

### Webinar “Women in Nuclear Kazakhstan”, June 24

The webinar featured CYG members Natalia Zhurina and Sarah Bidgood amongst main speakers. The webinar was organized by “Women in Nuclear Kazakhstan” in cooperation with the Center for Gender Security in Central Asia with the help of CYG members from Kazakhstan: Marzhan Nurzhan, Diana Kazbekova, Aigerim Seitenova, Jamilya Nurkanova and Nuriya Azamatova. They invited women who are breaking barriers and shaping the future of nuclear policy, international security and development.



### Remembering Trinity, the World's First Nuclear Test, July 16

Seventy-five years ago – on 16 July, 1945 – the world's first nuclear explosion seared the desert of New Mexico. The U.S. ‘Trinity’ test, carried out at the Alamogordo Test Range, opened the way to the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki less than a month later.

### CYG webinar “Let's Build Bridges: Making CYG Voices Heard”, July 16



The webinar brought prominent Russian journalist Vladimir Pozner and filmmaker/nuclear disarmament educator Cynthia Lazaroff, together with youth for a discussion

on how to contribute to global citizenship and raise awareness of nuclear threat on the 75th anniversary of the Trinity nuclear test, the first ever detonation of a nuclear device. CYG members Brenna Gautam and Natalia Zhurina helped organize the event and shared their thoughts on citizen diplomacy and the role of youth in raising awareness and bringing change.

## **Upcoming Events and Opportunities**

- ✦ Don't miss CYG Webinar Series.
- ✦ Contribute a photograph to commemorate the atomic bombing anniversary. This is not a photo contest but an opportunity to contribute to a visual debate that can take many expressions, using photography.
- ✦ Contribute to a nuclear non-proliferation education project! If you have any thoughts on how to inform, but not frighten young people about nuclear dangers, please contact Peter Rickwood ([peter.rickwood@atomicreporters.org](mailto:peter.rickwood@atomicreporters.org)).
- ✦ Application deadline for the International School on Global Security, August 10, Zvenigorod (Russia). The School is a unique platform where young politicians, diplomats, military and civil servants, journalists, and students expand the scope of their professional knowledge and further their education.
- ✦ Application deadline for the New Security Leaders program, September 1, Warsaw (Poland). New Security Leaders program is a leadership and mentoring program for mid-career, high potential leaders from foreign policy, defense, and security.

## Articles on CTBT-related topics

- ♦ The Future of Nuclear Arms Control: Time for an Update, by CTBTO GEM member Angela Kane and CYG member Noah Mayhew, Global Trends Analysis
- ♦ Основные тенденции развития вопросов ядерной, радиационной и экологической безопасности в XXI веке, by CYG member Kseniia Nepeina (text in Russian)
- ♦ Nuclear testing is a nightmare that still plagues us all today, by CYG member Sahil Shah, Inkstick
- ♦ The third nuclear age and nuclear stability, by CYG member Sylvia Mishra, Atomic Reporters
- ♦ Women and Global Catastrophic Risks: Nuclear, Climate Change and Pandemic, by CYG member Shereen Nanish, Atomic Reporters
- ♦ What journalists should know about the atomic bombings, by Alex Wellerstein, Atomic Reporters
- ♦ Its Been 75 Years, and America Still Won't Admit a Nuclear Disaster, by Joshua Wheeler, The New York Times
- ♦ 75 Years After Trinity: The Human Cost of Nuclear Tests, by Jon Letman, The Diplomat
- ♦ 'Now I Am Become Death': The Legacy of the First Nuclear Bomb Test, by Maria Cramer, The New York Times

## CYG Faces - expanding networks

"I joined CYG in the Spring of 2018 after becoming interested in international organizations and nuclear-related issues during my undergraduate studies. During my graduate studies at the Moscow State Institute of International Relations (MGIMO) in the Fall of 2018, I attended a lecture on the CTBTO by CYG member Asya Shavrova. Asya's lecture rekindled my interest in CYG, which led me to refound a CYG Chapter at the Middlebury Institute of International Studies (MIIS) in Monterey, California with Tom Hickey. Tom and I not only participated in CYG activities at the 2019 Carnegie International Nuclear Policy Conference, we also hosted documentary film screenings and lectures on nuclear testing featuring Jean Du Preez, the former head of the CTBTO External Relations Division, and two



of our more accomplished CYG colleagues, Anne Pellegrino and Grace Liu. The highlight of my CYG experience was organizing a site visit to the Nevada former Nevada Nuclear Test Site for 30 MIIS students. There, we not only learned about the history of US nuclear testing, but also about nuclear testing verification research that the Department of Energy (DoE) had recently conducted in Nevada and presented to the 2019 CTBT Science and Technology Conference. One official noted that our group received essentially the same tour that Executive Secretary Lassina Zerbo had received years earlier. Most recently, I served at the Holy See Mission to the UN, where I followed nuclear-related meetings. There, I had the pleasure of working alongside another CTBTO alumnus, Dr. Pierce Corden, who previously led the organization's Division of Administration. Working with CYG has been the highlight of my graduate studies, and I hope to have the opportunity to collaborate further with CYG and CTBTO colleagues in raising public awareness regarding the consequences of nuclear testing and promoting CTBT entry into force." - **JEREMY FAUST (USA)**



If you would like to share your story of the CYG membership, please drop a line to our Communications Coordinator, Valeriya (email: [korotchenko.valeriya@mail.ru](mailto:korotchenko.valeriya@mail.ru))