



CAMPAIGN TO **STOP** KILLER ROBOTS

The Campaign to Stop Killer Robots is pleased to invite you to a

SIDE EVENT

in the margins of the Convention on Conventional Weapons on

Transparency is Not Enough *Why a Preemptive Ban is Needed Now*

Wednesday, 13 April 2016
13:00-14:30

Conference Room XXIV
UN Palais des Nations, Geneva

Sandwiches and refreshments will be provided

Featuring:

- Mr. Thomas Nash, **Article 36**
- Ms. Miriam Struyk, **PAX**
- Prof. Peter Asaro, **International Committee for Robot Arms Control**

Moderated by Ms. Ray Acheson, **WILPF Reaching Critical Will**

This briefing will look at why initiatives that fall short of a legally-binding instrument, such as transparency measures and Article 36 weapons reviews represent an insufficient response to the challenges raised by fully autonomous weapons.

No RSVP required. For more information, please see: www.stopkillerrobots.org or contact Ms. Mary Wareham at: Tel. (646) 203-8292, wareham@hrw.org

Biographies of Speakers

Thomas Nash, Article 36

Mr. Thomas Nash is director of Article 36 and joint coordinator of the International Network on Explosive Weapons. As Cluster Munition Coalition coordinator from 2004 to 2011, he helped secure the 2008 Convention on Cluster Munitions. In 2014, Article 36 launched a pledge since signed by more than 50 individuals committing not participate in all-male panels on disarmament and security topics. @nashthomas @Article36

Miriam Struyk, PAX

Ms. Struyk is program director for security and disarmament at [PAX](#) (formerly IKV Pax Christi), a Dutch peace organization that is a co-founder of the Campaign to Stop Killer Robots. In early 2014, PAX released the campaign's first [short animated film](#) in together with a 32-page [report](#) detailing its objections to killer robots. [PAX](#) has collecting dozens of signatures on an interfaith statement supporting the campaign's call for a preemptive ban on fully autonomous weapons. @miriamstruyk @PAXvoorvrede

Peter Asaro, International Committee for Robot Arms Control

Prof. Peter Asaro is director of Graduate Programs for the School of Media Studies at The New School for Public Engagement in New York and co-founder and vice-chair of the International Committee for Robot Arms Control (ICRAC). He is a philosopher of technology who has worked in artificial intelligence, neural networks, natural language processing and robot vision research. Prof. Asaro spoke at the first CCW meeting on lethal autonomous weapons systems in May 2014. @peterasaro @icracnet

Ray Acheson, WILPF

Ms. Acheson is director of the Reaching Critical Will project of the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom ([WILPF](#)), a co-founder of the Campaign to Stop Killer Robots. WILPF turning 100 in April 2015 and is the oldest women's peace organization in the world. @achesonray @RCW_ @WILPF

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