

## Why Science?

Anatol Rapoport, a former president of Science for Peace, wrote in 1992 that knowledge involves the ability to think independently and to subject beliefs to reality testing. Knowledge leads to social responsibility. It is the opposite of indoctrination.

It takes application of all of our knowledge – from the natural and social sciences, the humanities, from traditional ecological knowledge – to surmount these threats.

- Nuclear weapons remain a profound threat.
- Scientists from the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change warn of a possible 90% extinction of species by the end of this century if greenhouse gas emissions increase at their current rate.
- The end of the Cold War did not bring stability and peace: wars in the Middle East and Africa since 1990 have claimed at least 10 million lives.

## Join Science for Peace

We welcome your participation. Members receive the quarterly newsletter and The Bulletin, and can participate in coalition work, research, study groups, and conferences.

SfP is a registered charity: memberships and donations are tax deductible.

Regular Members: \$60  
Retired Members: \$40  
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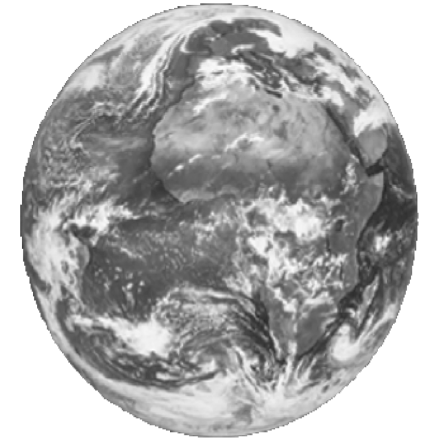
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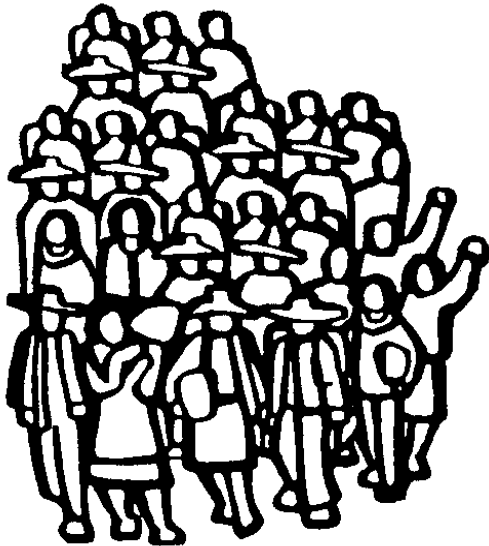


## SCIENCE FOR PEACE

Science for Peace is a Canadian organization consisting of scientists and social scientists, scholars in the humanities and people from the wider community. We seek to understand and act against the forces that make for militarism, environmental destruction, and social injustice here and abroad. Membership in Science for Peace offers an avenue of envisioning and working for change.

## Our Activities

- We organize interdisciplinary conferences on critical issues.
- We present expert opinions to various levels of government and to the U.N.
- Our involvement in university communities offers an opportunity to shift education in the direction of responding to the pressing crises we face.
- We endorse and support community groups and NGOs seeking social justice.



*“Not until the creation and maintenance of decent conditions of life for all people are recognized and accepted as a common obligation of all people and all countries - not until then shall we, with a certain degree of justification, be able to speak of humankind as civilized”. -Albert Einstein, 1945*

*“They have succeeded in dominating us more through ignorance, than through force.” – Simon Bolivar*

## Recent Science for Peace Meetings

- **Climate Catastrophe and Social Justice**
- **Water:** conferences co-sponsored by Pugwash and by Amnesty International.
- **Canada: The culture of war/ culture of peace.**
- **The abolition of nuclear weapons and the environmental effects of nuclear war.**
- **Canadian mining companies** here and abroad. Joint Pugwash-Science for Peace conference on water.

## Current Projects

- **The Idea of the University:** preserving academic freedom, high quality teaching and research in the face of the corporate university.
- **The Global Issues Project:** providing a comprehensive action framework in the areas of militarism, climate change, water, food and agriculture, forestry, cities, population, the faulty social structures that underlie poverty and racism, failings in governance and statesmanship.

For more information about our projects, activities, publications, see our website

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