



## *How can your field of study contribute to global disarmament efforts?*

### WHAT IS THE CONTEST?

There is a pressing need to bring in fresh ideas and new approaches in order to reinvigorate global disarmament, arms control and non-proliferation efforts. The Disarmament Essay Contest is a new project by the Geneva Disarmament Platform to encourage innovative thinking and ideas from students in fields other than the traditional ones of international relations and international law. The contest is open to undergraduate and graduate students of natural sciences, engineering, computer science/information technology, and economics, in order to examine the potentially important implications these fields may have for international disarmament processes. We want to discover what influence these fields can have on supporting the implementation, monitoring and verification of disarmament treaties and obligations, and on providing insights into future threats and how to address them effectively. The Essay Contest aims to provide an opportunity for networking and better interaction between these fields and international disarmament diplomacy.

Up to 10 authors will be selected to participate in a two-day workshop in Geneva in September 2018 to present their ideas in front of a panel of experts. The author of the best paper will receive a cash prize of CHF 2,000, while the authors of the second and third best essays will receive prizes of CHF 750 and CHF 250 respectively.

**Do you have specific ideas on how your field of study could be relevant to strengthening global disarmament efforts? If so, enter our contest NOW!**

### APPLY NOW!

All papers must be submitted electronically in PDF format **by 30 June 2018 (midnight CET)** to: [contact@disarmament.ch](mailto:contact@disarmament.ch). Please indicate "Disarmament Essay Contest – Last Name, Country" in the email's subject field.

### IMPORTANT DATES

- **30 June 2018** Deadline for submission of all papers
- **23-31 July 2018** Shortlisted authors are contacted
- **2nd week of September 2018** Two-day event in Geneva, Switzerland



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