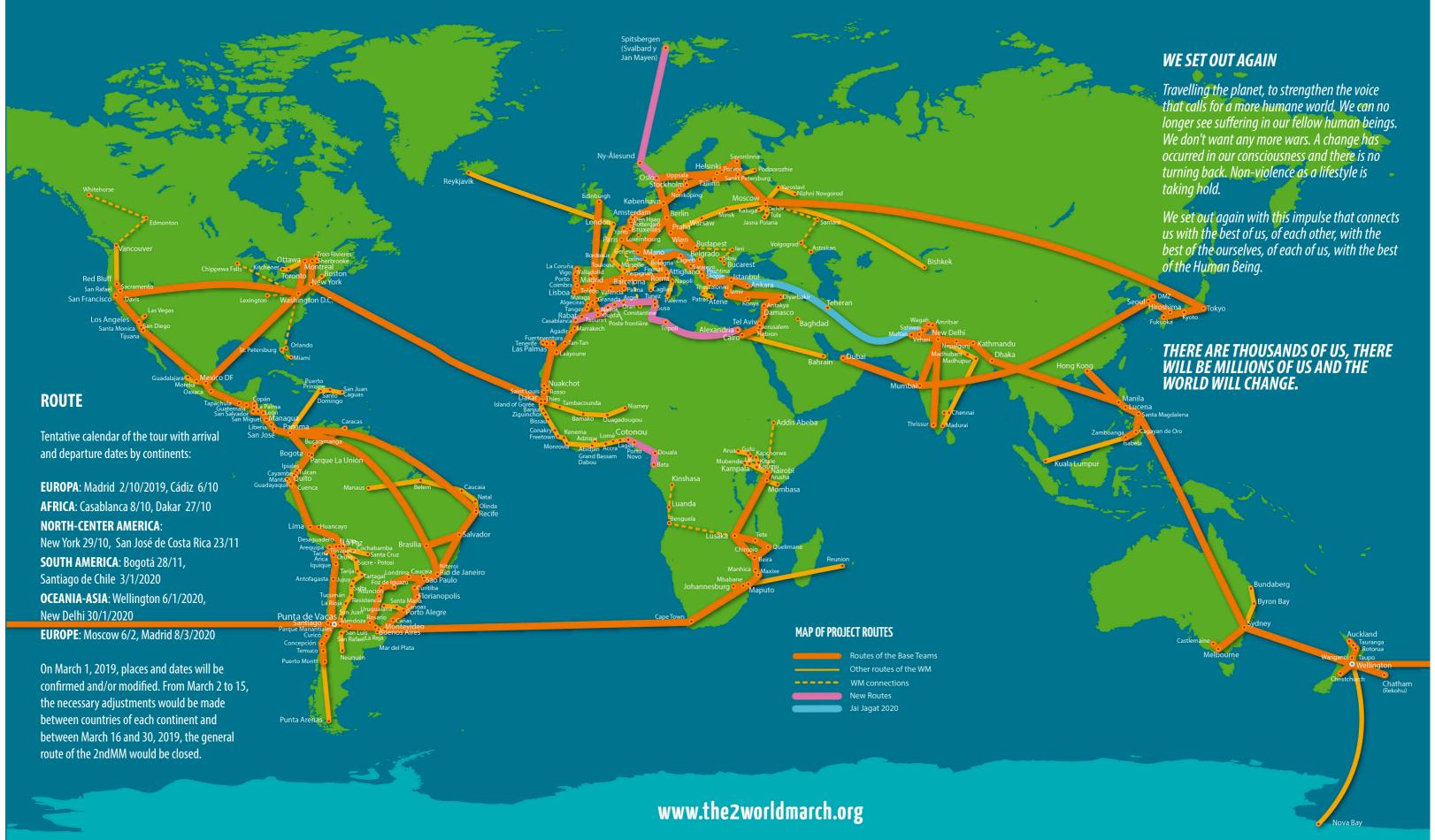


# 2<sup>nd</sup> WORLD MARCH FOR PEACE AND NONVIOLENCE



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It is with the experience gained during the 1st World March of 2009-2010, which ran for 93 days and crossed 97 countries and 5 continents, that we launch this **2nd World March for Peace and Nonviolence 2019-2020**. Furthermore, we believe it is reasonable to expect more support, participation and collaboration.

### WHY?

- To expose the dangerous world situation due to the increasing number of conflicts and the rising armament spendings, while in vast zones of the planet, many populations are being left out through lack of food and water
- To continue making people aware that it is only through peace and nonviolence that the human race will open the door to the future.
- To highlight the diverse positive actions that collectives and people are already leading in many places for the effective application of human rights and non-discrimination, in favour of collaboration, peaceful cohabitation and non-aggression.
- To give a voice to the new generations who wish to take over and leave a
  mark, by establishing the culture of nonviolence in the collective
  imagination, in education, in politics, in society... In the same way
  ecological consciousness has, relatively quickly, settled.



### **HOW WE WILL GET ORGANIZED**

Promoter Teams (PTs) will spawn from actions and projects launched from the social base, with the motto "each one is responsible for what they propose".

In countries with PTs in several cities, we will create a Promoter Team of the country. In these PTs, can participate people as well as organizations. The PTs will embody as a working style: horizontality, collaborative attitude and mutual consent to coordinate initiatives.

**Support platforms (SP)** are also composed of groups, individuals, and even institutions. Compared to PTs, they are larger and more diversified spaces for participation, in which a great number of initiatives can take place, whether it would be by sector (educators, artists, youth, women) or by

location (neighbourhoods, cities, universities, etc.)

SPs will necessarily have either a representative or a person

with an established connection to the PT of their city.

To organize this set of activities between countries, we will have an International Coordination area with all of the PTs

from each country.



- The prohibition of nuclear weapons. A proportional disarmament resulting in the renunciation for states to use war to solve conflicts or to grab natural resources. "We are decided to avoid wars for the future generations".
- The reshaping of the United Nations, by including in the Security Council an Environmental Security Council and a Socioeconomic Security Council. "United Nations that watch over all the citizens of the planet".
- The creation of conditions for a fully sustainable planet, bearing in mind that it is a limited space we decisively need to take care of. "The Earth is everyone's home".
- The integration of regions and zones with socioeconomic systems, which guarantee well-being and resources for all, with the aim to eradicate hunger in the next ten years. "We want to eradicate hunger from human history".
- Non-discrimination of any type: gender, age, race, religion, economic, etc... "No human being over another one".
- Nonviolence as a new culture and active nonviolence as an action method. "Nonviolence is the strength that will transform the world".



#### Base-Team (BT)

It will be responsible for the effectiveness of all of the 2ndWM. It will engage in assembly and coordination: routes, institutional relations, documentation, production of general equipment and its distribution.

It will be constituted of 300 activists who will participate in one of these functions. Furthermore, about half of them will walk (for 15-20 days) in one of the sections of the journey. Overall, there will be at any time between 15 and 40 people travelling.





We recommend reading the1stWM's book, in which there are numerous examples of actions and initiatives. It can be found on-line (http://xurl.es/m8o8x) or downloaded (http://xurl.es/x7bwh). We also invite to watch its documentary (http://YouTube/r\_gyzUaHU1M).

### WHERE AND WHEN?

The **2ndWM** will start in Madrid on October 2nd, 2019, International Day of the Nonviolence, ten years after the beginning of the **1rstWM**. It will then head towards Africa, North America, Central and South America, crossing Oceania, Asia and finally Europe, arriving in Madrid on March 8th, 2020, the International Women Rights Day. With a

159-day world tour, we estimate that the **2ndWM** will cross more than 100 countries and that hundreds of thousands of activists will participate in this worldwide action.

### WITH WHOM?

During the 1stWM, more than 2000 organizations got involved. We aspire to the involvement of all the people, collectives and representatives of public or private institutions who have already shown through action their commitment in favour of peace, nonviolence and all the objectives of the 2ndWM.

# OFFICIAL LAUNCH OF THE 2ndWM

In November 2018, the **2ndWM** was officially launched in Madrid, within the framework of the **2nd World Forum on Urban Violence and Education for Coexistence and Peace**, which took place in November 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th, launched by the City Hall and which gathered mayors of the 500 most populated cities in the world.

# HOW TO CREATE THE CONDITIONS FOR THE 2ndWM?

The local and national PTs will develop initiatives which they consider relevant to impulse the 2ndWM. As concerted actions, already successfully tried out and adaptable, we underline the following ones:

- HUMAN SYMBOLS: in Spain, 35.000 pupils of 135 middle schools have already participated in the realization of human symbols of peace and nonviolence. Our objective is that a million pupils of 3000 middle schools from many different countries participate, by the beginning of the 2ndWM
- LOCAL AND REGIONAL MARCHES: a first
  Central America March already took place and
  the second one is being planned for the
  following months, as well as the 1st South
  American March.We encourage doing internal
  marches for country-or region-specific issues.
  We are working as well, among other
  initiatives, on the possibility of an action in the
  Mediterranean region, to declare the Mediterranean sea the "Peace Sea".
- SEMINARS AND FORUMS: in the last years, we have organized more than
  15 seminars and forums on nonviolence. The last seminars took place in
  Madrid in November, 2017 with activities at the Parliament, at the City Hall
  and at the Communal Center El Pozo. For the 2ndWM, we aspire to the fact
  that for, in addition the activities of every place, there will be a seminar or
  a forum of at least one day, to allow organizations and collaborators to
  regroup, exchange, discuss and plan future actions.

## TIMETABLE

### November 2018

- 7th: Official launch of the 2ndWM at the 2nd World Forum on Urban Violence and Education for Coexistence and Peace.
- Definition of the general timetable and main elements.

#### March 2019

- Confirmation of the participating countries.
- 2 15th: Determination of the routes between countries by continent.
- 16 30th: Determination of the routes between continents.

#### **April 2019**

Central route of the 2ndWM and alternative converging routes defined.

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Between November 2018 and August 2019, launches of the 2ndWM will take place by country and by city, 6 months before the 2ndWM reaching each location, if possible.

In January 2019, the registrations for the **Base-Team (BT)** will open, and in June 2019, the participants will be declared.





UNIVERSITIES: several of the previous activities were possible thanks to
the support of certain universities. We suggest obtaining at least one
reference university by country that will be committed to the 2ndWM.
Some universities have already shown their support: U. Dr. André Bello
(Salvador), UCENM (Honduras), U. Autonomous (Costa Rica), UNED (Costa

Rica), U. National (Costa Rica), ITM University Gwalior (India), U.N. Guayaguil (Ecuador).

- With universities and other collectives, we are developing a training plan for activists with modules covering nonviolence.
- NETWORK OF PARLIAMENTARIANS: within the framework of the seminars for nonviolence in Madrid, we organized an event at the Parliament of Spain in which 50 Parliamentarians joined the

PNND (supporting the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons).

- We are preparing a similar action in support for the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons, recently approved by the UNO and launched by the ICAN.
- NETWORK OF MUNICIPALITIES: during the 1stWM, we brought support to the network of Mayors for Peace and were able to get some mayors to committo this

network. In the 2ndWM, we will keep supporting this organization and will also work to create a network of municipalities that will support this 2ndWM

 We want to spread and multiply these types of action in the highest number possible of countries.

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