

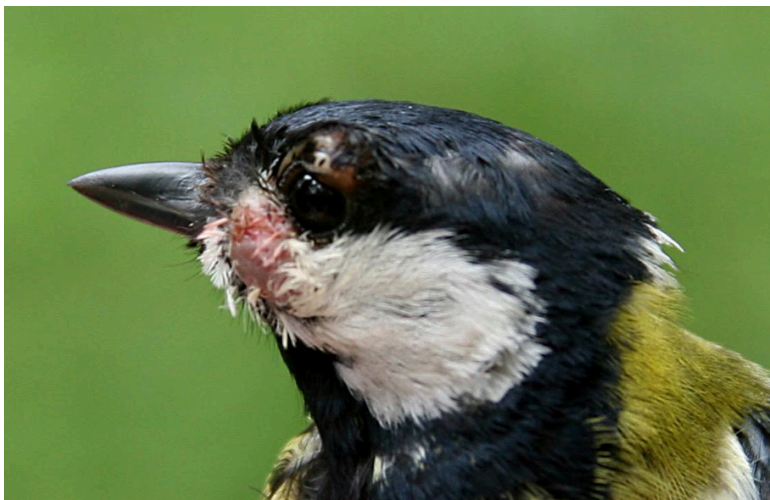
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# Fukushima+5 Chernobyl+30 anniversary conference



This year marks 30 years since the Chernobyl nuclear reactor explosion, on April 26, 1986 in Ukraine, that spewed radioactive particles across the world.

It also marks five years since the March 11, 2011 Fukushima nuclear disaster began in Japan, contaminating lands and the Pacific Ocean.



The effects of both these catastrophes are still being felt today, in the human populations exposed, and by animal and plant species and their habitats.

These lessons cannot be forgotten or ignored.

**LESSONS FROM FUKUSHIMA AND CHERNOBYL  
THE RISKS OF “NORMALIZING” RADIATION**

Presented by Beyond Nuclear and the Goethe-Institut Washington  
With additional support from the Heinrich Böll Foundation North America



## AFTERNOON PROGRAM



2:00pm

Welcome, Wilfried Eckstein, director, Goethe-Institut Washington  
Introduction, Linda Gunter, international specialist, Beyond Nuclear

2:15pm

**Chernobyl and Fukushima: Effects on humans, animals & nature**

Moderator, Cindy Folkers

Dr. Timothy Mousseau: Consequences of radiation for wildlife.

Dr. Wladimir Wertelecki: Impacts of radiation on child development.

Lucas Hixson: Radiation levels in the Chernobyl Zone.

3:30pm-3:45pm: coffee and tea break

3:45pm-5:00pm

**Chernobyl and Fukushima: the essential lessons**

Moderator: Kevin Kamps

Dr. Yuri Hiranuma: Fukushima aftermath and the health of children.

Paul Gunter: Lessons for U.S. emergency planning from Chernobyl and Fukushima.

Cindy Folkers: The risks of weakening radiation exposure standards in the U.S.



# EVENING PROGRAM



7:30pm-9:00pm

## **Lessons from Fukushima and Chernobyl: the Risks of “Normalizing” Radiation**

Welcome, Wilfried Eckstein, director, Goethe-Institut Washington

Film: *Alone In The Zone* (18 minutes)

Film: *Champion in Chernobyl* (12 minutes)

### **Panel and audience discussion**

Moderator: Linda Pentz Gunter

Speakers: Cindy Folkers, Dr. Yuri Hiranuma, Lucas Hixson, Kevin Kamps, Dr. Timothy Mousseau, Dr. Wladimir Wertelecki.

### **Photographic exhibition**

We are honored to feature the work of award-winning photographers Gabriela Bulisova (Chernobyl) and Robert Knoth (Fukushima) taken from their respective series, *Life on the Edge...The Half-Lives and Half-Truths of Chernobyl* and *Shadowlands*.

### **SPEAKERS**

**Dr. Timothy Mousseau**, Professor of Biological Sciences, University of South Carolina.

**Dr. Wladimir Wertelecki**, Former chair, University of South Alabama Department of Medical Genetics.

**Dr. Yuri Hiranuma**, Physicians for Social Responsibility Radiation & Health Committee.

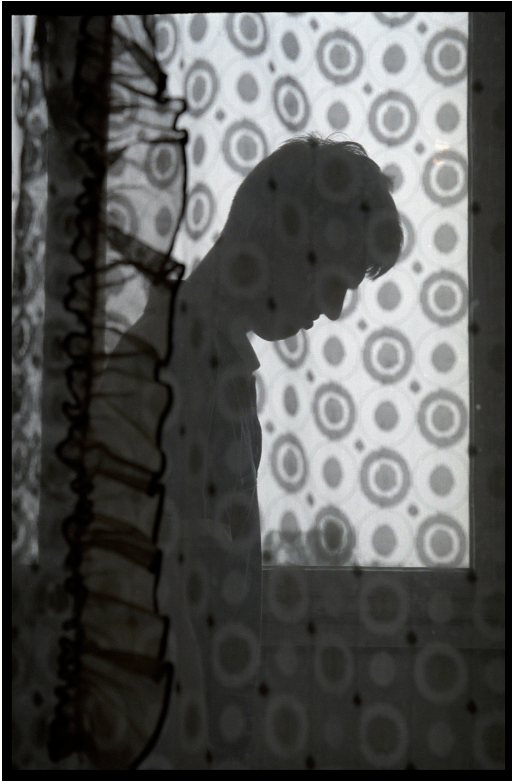
**Lucas Hixson**, Independent nuclear researcher; managing editor of *Enformable*.

**Cindy Folkers**, Radiation and Health Specialist, Beyond Nuclear

**Paul Gunter**, Director of Reactor Oversight, Beyond Nuclear

**Kevin Kamps**, Radioactive Waste Watchdog, Beyond Nuclear

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## About Beyond Nuclear

Beyond Nuclear, founded in 2007, is a dynamic anti-nuclear non-profit organization based in Takoma Park, MD, a nuclear-free city. Beyond Nuclear works to educate and activate the public about the connections between nuclear power and nuclear weapons and the need to abandon both to safeguard our future. Beyond Nuclear advocates for an energy future that is sustainable, benign and democratic.

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## About Goethe-Institut Washington

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Cover page: Fukushima gas station, Robert Knoth. Chernobyl Great Tit with tumor, Dr. Timothy Mousseau. Page 2: Pripjat ferris wheel, posztos via iStock. Page 3: cow in abandoned house, Belarus (left), Gabriela Bulisova. Empty road, Fukushima (right), Robert Knoth. Page 4: Chernobyl “survivor” from Pripjat, Gabriela Bulisova. Eerie street, Fukushima zone, Robert Knoth.

