

BERTHA VON SUTTNER PEACE PRIZE AND PROGRAM FOR YOUTH

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for PACEY Award 2025

INTRODUCTION



I am Salome Adamia from Zugdidi (Western Georgia). I am the founder of the Bertha von Suttner Peace Prize and chairwoman of the Peace Institute for Progress. I also work as an international trainer at the Kurt Löwenstein Youth Education Centre.

BACKGROUND

GENERAL OVERVIEW

The prize is named after Bertha von Suttner, an Austrian pacifist and the first woman to be awarded the Nobel Peace Prize, who was a strong advocate for peace and disarmament.

HISTORY

Inspiration and Advocacy: It seeks to inspire others to take action in the spirit of peace, drawing on the legacy of Bertha von Suttner's advocacy for a peaceful society, free from war and oppression.



GOALS

The Bertha von Suttner Peace Prize was established in 2019 to honour individuals who have made significant contributions to promoting peace, preventing conflicts, and advancing disarmament.

And trying to promote the ideas of peace among young people and create a safe space for discussion for young activists from societies divided by conflict to build dialogue.



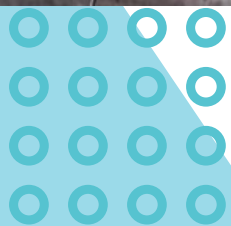
PROBLEMS



- Continued Russian occupation.
- 350,000 internally displaced people.
- Foreign Agents law and reduction of donor organizations that will fund peacebuilding projects.
- Increasing militaristic rhetoric.
- Extremely polarized society.
- Young people are not involved in projects aimed at rebuilding trust and transforming conflict.



Salome Adamia's Powerful Speech at the Pro-EU Protest in Zugdidi, Georgia: Fighting for Human Rights and a European Future



PROGRAM FOR YOUTH

NOMINEES

NOMINEE: IRYNA KVANTALIANI
NOMINATED BY: "TVOIA UKRAINA"

NOMINEE: KSENIYA ZHVALEUSKAYA
NOMINATED BY: ABF BELARUS / LITHUANIA

NOMINEE: TOM VIZEL
NOMINATED BY: GEORGE STEVENS, NOAL
(THE WORKING AND LEARNING YOUTH MOVEMENT,
ISRAEL)

NOMINEE: ANTON STAROVIEROV
NOMINATED BY: OLYA FORMODA, UKRAINE

NOMINEE: NITZAN MENAGEM
NOMINATED BY: HASHOMER HATZAIR DEUTSCHLAND /
ROBERT ROSTOSKI

NOMINEE: LUSINE KOSAKYAN
NOMINATED BY: FRONTLINE YOUTH NETWORK, ARMENIA

NOMINEE: OLEH RAIDA
NOMINATED BY: SD PLATFORM, UKRAINE



BERTHA VON SUTTNER
PEACE PRIZE **2022**
FOR YOUTH



150 PARTICIPANTS IN-PERSON



PARTICIPANTS FROM
GEORGIA
UKRAINE
BELARUS
GERMANY
ISRAEL
ARMENIA
AZERBAIDJAN
TURKEY
AUSTRIA

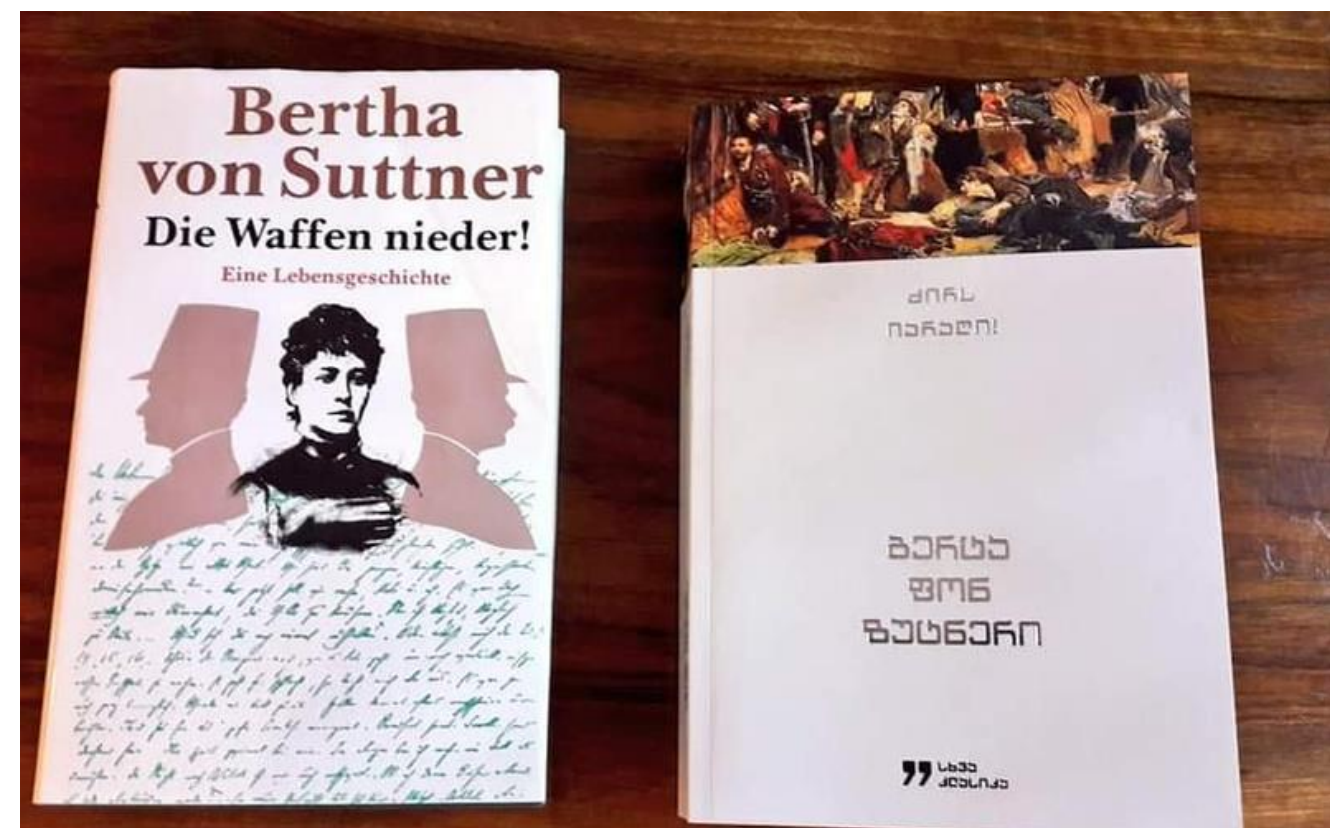
FUTURE PLANS

The project, which has gained the trust of many people, given young people the opportunity to express themselves, and created a safe environment for discussion, debate, and dialogue, must be continued. A forum where not only young people from Georgia but also the Caucasus region will gather and discuss what they can do to transform conflict so that we can achieve disarmament and global peace through joint efforts.

PEACE IS OUR RESPONSIBILITY

“One of the eternal truths is that happiness is created and developed in peace, and one of the eternal rights is the individual’s right to live”.

Bertha von Suttner





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THANK YOU

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