

The World March for Peace and Nonviolence



The first World March departed from Wellington (New Zealand) on October 2, 2009, and arrived in Punta de Vacas (Argentina) on January 2, 2010, after travelling 200 cities in 97 countries promoting peace and nonviolence (in particular, nuclear disarmament). An international base team travelled 180.000 km around the world for 3 months.

All the history of the March, its aims, thousands of collaborators, endorsers and activities, can be found in [the book](#) and in the web site <https://marchamundial.org/>



The 2nd World March (2WM) departed from Madrid 10 years later, on October 2 (2019), and arrived in Madrid on March 8 (2020) after more than 5 months and 184.000 Km travelling 285 cities in 51 countries from Africa, America, Asia and Europe. More than 3000 people and 500 organizations have collaborated with the 600 activists from the local and base teams of the different countries.

One of the main points of this 2WM was, just like in the 1st one, nuclear disarmament, but this time focused on the support to the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons. We have campaigned for the treaty all over the world and got endorsements such as Kannur, capital city of the Indian region of Kerala, which became the first Indian city to show its support to the treaty. The 2WM also focused in other issues such as the UN reform, non-discrimination, especially for women, climate change and global warming, nonviolence as the solution to all types of violence and social and personal change.

More information can be found in:

<https://theworldmarch.org/>;

<https://www.facebook.com/WorldMarch/>

Several books will be published in September 2020.

Among the projects for the future coming out from this March, we can highlight:

The Mediterranean, a sea of Peace and Free of Nuclear Weapons: Parallel to the 2nd world March, and as a part of it, a boat sailed the western Mediterranean Sea to promote peace and nuclear disarmament. We are working



to launch a new march by the Adriatic Sea (Central Mediterranean) in September this year, with the aspiration of navigating the shores to the whole extent of the Mediterranean Sea in a big March in the next future.

The first Latin American March, with two base teams that will depart from two different points (Mexico in the North and Chile and Argentina in the south) in August 2021 and will join in Costa Rica in September 2021 after travelling the continent. As a preparation for the 2WM, there were a Central American March in 2017 and a South American one in 2018.

The 3rd World March, that will start on October 2, 2024. There is already one proposal to host the departure and arrival of the March: the cities of Kathmandu and Lumbini in Nepal.



The World March for Peace and Nonviolence has become a long-term project that aspires to launch a World March every 5 years, to make conflicts visible, to promote solutions, to create global nets and to provide a channel of expression and a voice for those who don't have them. And to continue raising awareness about nuclear disarmament.