**NORDIC-RUSSIAN SEMINAR « NEIGHBOURS AS FRIENDS » 3.-4.2.2020 PEACE RESEARCH INSTITUTE, HAUSMANNSGATE 3, OSLO**

MONDAY 3 FEBRUARY

11.00 **Registration; light refreshments**

11.30 **Opening of seminar**

**Welcome by Torunn Tryggestad, Deputy Director PRIO. (5 min)**

Presentation of participants (15 min)

Sing-along song (5 min)

12.00 **Good neighbours, aims and visions, by Ingeborg Breines (20 min)**

**Experiences and hopes**: Prepared contributions from Russian and Nordic seminar participants (5-10 min each).

Discussion

15.00 **Light lunch**

16.00 **Open meeting:**  **Neighbours as friends, not enemies. Russian- Nordic Civil Society**

**Cooperation. Introduction by Ingeborg Breines (5 min)**

Song about a Friend” by Vysotskij, Birgitte Grimstad and Jørn Simen Øverli (10 min)

**Cooperation with Russia in Northern Norway by Rune Rafaelsen (20 min**)

Questions

**Human rights approaches to reduce the level of militarization. The example of the activity of the Human Rights organisation « Soldiers' mothers of St Petersburg » By Oksana Paramonova (15 min)**

Questions

**Challenges of the Baltic-Nordic regional militarization, confrontation of NATO with Russia, possible solutions and the role of civil society in this process. By Oleg Bodrov (15 min)**

Questions

**Militarization as a threat to the health of future generations. By Natalia Kovaleva. 15. min)**

Questions

**Challenges regarding Nordic-Russian cooperation for peace. By Lina Hjärtström (15 min)**

Questions and discussion

18.30 End of meeting

19.00Dinner for seminar participants

TUESDAY 4 FEBRUARY

10.00 **Peaceful cooperation: challenges and possibilities in the Arctic .**

**by Sverre Lodgaard (20 min)**

Questions and discussion

11.00 **Panel 1: Nuclear threat and militarization**

Introduction to debate

**Nuclear threat and artificial intelligence by Esbjerg Peace Movement (10 min)**

**The North as a Platform for War - or Peace by Agneta Norberg (10 min)**

Contributions by other participants

Discussion

Cross border music by Birgitte Grimstad, Elfi Sverdrup, Tuva Færden, Ruth Wilhelmine Meyer (10 min)

12.30 Lunch

13.30 **Panel 2: Environmental challenges**

Introductions to debate

**The military threat to climate and environment by Åse Møller-Hansen (10 min)**

**Why the environmental protests are on the rise in Russia and what they can change? By Artem Filatov (10 min.)**

Contributions by other participants

Discussion

15.00 **The Road Forward**

Summary and proposals for further work by Russian and Nordic representatives

16.00 **Closure**