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## **FAITH IN EUROPE ONLINE BRIEFING – THURSDAY JULY 13, 2023**

**2pm-4pm UK time (3pm-5pm Central European Time)**

### **‘Human Rights and Disarmament: approaches from the World Council of Churches’**

Jennifer Philpot-Nissen will speak about the work of the WCC on the issues of nuclear disarmament and (more recently) their work to engage on the issues of “Killer Robots” (autonomous weapons), as well as how they are approaching this work from a human rights perspective. In May 2023, the World Council of Churches joined an interfaith call on UN member states ‘to establish and protect meaningful human control over the use of force by weapons with limited autonomy through regulation, and to enact and enforce a global ban on autonomous weapons that target people’. We will learn about their efforts on these issues as a fellowship of 352 churches from more than 120 countries, which represents over 580 million Christians worldwide.

Jennifer Philpot-Nissen serves as WCC Programme Executive for Human Rights and Disarmament. In this role, she provides training, facilitates and supports the engagement of churches and ecumenical partners in the UN human rights system, and advocates for disarmament goals, particularly the prohibition of nuclear weapons and autonomous weapons systems. She has previously worked for the United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights and for international NGOs. She has particularly focussed her work on empowering grass roots activists - especially women and children - to find their voices and become their own human rights defenders. Jennifer may be joined by another colleague, to be confirmed.

For more information and to register click here: [Human Rights and Disarmament: approaches from the World Council of Churches: Tickets](#)

If registration is difficult, you may inform Rebecca Bellamy directly: [generalsecretary@faithineurope.org.uk](mailto:generalsecretary@faithineurope.org.uk)