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## CITY DIPLOMACY AND PEACEBUILDING: LESSONS FROM HIROSHIMA AND NAGASAKI

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Mayors around the world have emerged as influential actors in international politics and have begun to shape global policy debates about a broad range of critical issues from climate change to international security. In this lecture I discuss the longstanding global efforts by the mayors of Hiroshima and Nagasaki to promote a vision of a world without nuclear weapons. I critically examine lessons from their experiences over the last four decades and consider some practical implications of these two prominent cases of city diplomacy for peacebuilding.

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"If you are interested, please read Miyazaki, Hirokazu. 2021. "Hiroshima and Nagasaki as Models of City Diplomacy." *Sustainability Science* 16(4): 1215-1228. <https://rdcu.be/ck1cu>"

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