

Professor Kenji Urata has contributed to peace efforts in Japan and the world as a professor of constitutional law at Waseda University and as vice-president of the International Association of Lawyers Against Nuclear Arms (IALANA). As a constitutional scholar he has defended and developed the peace principles of the Japanese Constitution (complete disarmament and a right to live in peace) in research and in lawsuits. His having served as president of the Japan Association for Studies of Constitutional Law (1995-97) is another contribution as a constitutional scholar. As vice-president of IALANA, he has been one of the organizers for global campaigns for nuclear disarmament and developed legal bases both for military and non-military nuclear abolition. As a law scholar in the country that experienced Hiroshima, Nagasaki, and Fukushima, Professor Urata's contribution to our efforts toward nuclear abolition is enormous. He deserves the 2021 Nobel Peace Prize. His short CV is attached.

Best wishes,  
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