



## QUAD Summit on G7 sidelines

Hiroshima, Japan hosts the G7 Summit from May 19-21 2023. Other than common economic agenda, they addressed political and global challenges such as climate change, terrorism, and peace and security. On the sidelines of the G7 summit, the third in-person QUAD Leaders' Meeting also took place. It evolved around nuclear disarmament and non-proliferation among, other strategic issues. India is believed to be the host for the next QUAD Leaders' Summit in 2024. This edition of CUTS ONW collates news, op-eds and commentaries on these two summits held in Hiroshima.

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<p><b>G7 Hiroshima Summit Outcomes</b>  <i>Hannah Grothusen, Matthew P. Goodman, Christopher B. Johnstone, and Federico Steinberg</i>            Center for Strategic &amp; International Studies            May 23, 2023</p>	<p>As expected, the leaders' communiqué featured commitments and statements on a range of topics including climate, health, food security, and technology. However, the war in Ukraine, nuclear non-proliferation, and economic security were the most prominent. The primary focus of this year's <a href="#">G7 summit</a> was reaffirming support for Ukraine; it was the first item addressed in the communiqué and the subject of a separate statement by G7 leaders.</p>
<p><b>The Group of Seven should finally be shut down</b>  <i>Vijay Prashad</i>            Sri Lanka Guardian            May 25, 2023</p>	<p>During the May 2023 G7 summit, the leaders of Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, the UK, and the US visited the Hiroshima Peace Memorial Museum, near where the meeting was held. Not doing so would have been an <a href="#">act of immense discourtesy</a>. Despite many calls for an apology from the U.S. for dropping an atomic bomb on a civilian population in 1945, US President Joe Biden has demurred.</p>
<p><b>QUAD Summit at Hiroshima may have been low-key on China but the tension looms</b>  <i>C Uday Bhaskar</i>            The Quint            May 25, 2023</p>	<p>Summit-level meetings among the leaders of the world's major nations (democracies) crowded the calendar in the latter half of May and India was a special invitee at the G7 deliberations in Hiroshima that concluded on Sunday, 21 May. The Hiroshima meeting was to be followed by two other summits – one relating to the Pacific Islands and the other to the four-member <a href="#">Quadrilateral Security Dialogue (QUAD)</a> that Australia was to host.</p>
<p><b>The G7 must accept that it cannot run the world</b>  <i>Martin Wolf</i>            Financial Times            May 23, 2023</p>	<p><a href="#">“Goodbye G7, hello G20.”</a> That was the headline on an article in The Economist on the first summit of the Group of 20 in Washington in 2008 which argued that this represented “a decisive shift in the old order”. Today, hopes of a co-operative global economic order, which reached their zenith at the G20's London summit of April 2009, have evaporated. Yet it is hardly a case of “Goodbye G20, hello G7”.</p>

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<p><b>What did the Hiroshima G7 summit accomplish?</b>  <i>Takatoshi Ito</i>            Khaleej Times            May 23, 2023</p>	<p>Geopolitics dominated the just-concluded <a href="#">G7 summit in Hiroshima</a>, where the most prominent participant was not a G7 leader, but Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky. The leader of a country under threat of Russian nuclear attack visiting the Hiroshima Peace Memorial was the summit's pivotal moment.</p>
<p><b>Beijing rebukes Japan, Britain over 'anti-China' G7 summit</b>  <i>Liz Lee and Satoshi Sugiyama</i>            Japan Today            May 22, 2023</p>	<p>State-backed Chinese mouthpiece Global Times called the G7 an "<a href="#">anti-China workshop</a>", after Beijing summoned Japan's envoy and berated Britain in a fiery response to statements issued at the G7 summit in Hiroshima. A joint communique issued singled out China on issues ranging from Taiwan and maritime claims, to economic coercion and human rights, underscoring the tensions between Beijing and the group of rich countries which includes the US.</p>
<p><b>G7 failed the Global South in Hiroshima</b>            Oxfam            May 20, 2023</p>	<p>In reaction to the G7 Hiroshima Communique, Max Lawson, Oxfam's Head of Inequality Policy, made the following statement: The G7 have <a href="#">failed the Global South</a> here in Hiroshima. They failed to cancel debts, and they failed to find what is really required to end the huge increase in hunger worldwide. They can find untold billions to fight the war but cannot even provide half of what is needed by the United Nation for the most critical humanitarian crises.</p>
<p><b>G7 issues joint statement day before summit ends</b>            ChinaDaily.Com.Cn            May 20, 2023</p>	<p>The G7 leaders on May 20, 2023 rushed to release a <a href="#">joint statement</a> at their annual summit in Japan's western city of Hiroshima. The G7 Hiroshima Leaders' Communique was suddenly issued with one single version in English, followed by two revised versions sent to on-site media by Japan's foreign ministry as of 8 pm local time.</p>
<p><b>G7 Summit unlikely to make material progress on N-disarmament</b>  <i>Pranay Sharma</i>            Moneycontrol            May 19, 2023</p>	<p>Japanese Prime Minister Fumio Kishida has chosen Hiroshima as the venue of the critical <a href="#">G7 summit</a> with care. Not only does he hail from the city, it is also the site of the world's first nuclear attack. G7 is unlikely to agree to any binding commitment on reducing nuclear arsenals or to end the stationing of nuclear weapons in third countries.</p>
<p><b>PM Modi's participation in G7 Summit to boost synergy with G20: Japan envoy</b>  <i>Rezaul H Laskar</i>            Hindustan Times            May 18, 2023</p>	<p>India is among eight countries invited to participate in outreach sessions of the <a href="#">G7 Summit in Hiroshima</a> during May 19-21 and Modi can speak "with legitimacy" for developing countries after having heard concerns of more than 100 of these nations during the Voice of Global South Summit in January.</p>

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