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Round Table discussion:

Anti - Corona protests, conspiracy theories and antisemitism

- since several weeks, demonstrations in Hamburg against "Corona measures"
 - last Saturday ca 14 000 people on street
 - protest against vaccination
 - But also:
 - antisemitic statements given
 - holocaust trivialized
 - comparing holocaust with vaccination campaign
 - comparing kids in quarantine with Anne Frank, who was hiding from the Nazis in some concealed rooms behind a bookcase in the building where Anne Franks father worked.

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- Next Saturday, demonstration for a society based on solidarity and against conspiracy theories and antisemitism, organized by many cultural and society groups, organizations and individuals from Hamburg:
 - "[Against conspiracy theories and for a society based on solidarity](#)" on Saturday, 15. Jan. 12:30
 - Meeting point: 12:15 at entrance of University Main Building - join [Science4Peace](#) on Signal or use QR code:



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- Discussion today:
 - what are reasons, why people do not want to become vaccinated
 - what is the role of scientists in this discussion
 - how can one/we help to convince people to trust science and scientific results ?
- Science4Peace
 - it is important that vaccines are made available for everybody also poor countries
 - interesting the development of vaccine in Cuba: see article in [Guardian](#)
 - initiative by ex-DESY scientist V. Korbelt:
 - donate the price for the free vaccines in Germany to [UNICEF for supporting vaccination in poor countries](#)
- Stand up against any form of conspiracy theory and

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COVAX und UNICEF: Corona-Impfstoff für die ärmsten Länder



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- Future topics:
 - Since we have now the first female director at DESY (B. Heinemann for FH), organize a Panel discussion on **International Women Day 8. March**
 - invite other women in high level positions in science for panel
 - proposals are welcome !
 - Continue with Science4Peace seminar
 - UNESCO
 - Hamburg University
 - ICTP Trieste
 - etc
- AOB