

Biographical Sketch: Rosalie Bertell

**United Nations Environment Programme,
Global 500 Laureate - 1993**

**Alternative Nobel Prize:
Right Livelihood Award - 1986**

World Federalist Peace Award - 1988

**Ontario Premier's Council on Health:
Health Innovator Award - 1991**

**Marguerite D'Youville Humanitarian Award,
Lexington MA - 1992**

Rosalie Bertell, PhD, GNSH, is President of the **International Institute of Concern for Public Health** (IICPH), and Editor in Chief of **International Perspectives in Public Health**.

Dr. Bertell served four years as Co-chair for Canada on the **Ecosystem Health Workgroup** of the Science Advisory Board to the US - Canada **International Joint Commission** (IJC) on the Great Lakes, and currently serves on the IJC **Nuclear Task Force**. She also serves as advisor to the **Great Lakes Health Effects Program** of Health Canada, and to the **Environmental Assessment Board of Ontario**.

Dr. Bertell Directed the **International Medical Commission - Bhopal** which investigated the aftermath of the Union Carbide disaster in Bhopal, and of the **International Medical Commission - Chernobyl**, which convened the Tribunal on violations of the human rights of victims in Vienna, April 1996.

She has received numerous awards and five honorary Doctorate degrees since launching the IICPH in 1984.

Dr. Bertell is a member of the **Grey Nuns of the Sacred Heart**.

Dr. Bertell earned a Doctorate in Biometry at the Catholic University of America, Washington, DC, in 1966, and has been working ever since time in environmental

epidemiology. She has collaborated in analyses undertaken in the US, Canada, Japan, the Marshall Islands, Malaysia, India, Germany, Ukraine and other countries.

Author of **Handbook for Estimating the Health Effects of Ionizing Radiation** (1984, 1986) and the popular non-fiction book: **No Immediate Danger: Prognosis for a radioactive Earth**, together with more than a hundred articles, book chapters and poems, Dr. Bertell has reached medical, scientific, and popular audiences around the globe.

No Immediate Danger, has been translated into Swedish, French, German and Finnish. A Russian translation is in process.

By choice, Dr. Bertell works with indigenous people and economically developing countries as they struggle to preserve their human rights to health and life in the face of industrial, technological and military pollution.

She was a founding member of IICPH, an attempt to institutionalize her growing concern for human survival on an intact planet.
