

RESOURCES

Conferences and Training Workshops

India-Pakistan Relations: Prospects and Challenges (1-2 December, Preston University, Islamabad): This conference is intended to analyse significant issues in peacebuilding in South Asia with particular reference to the ongoing peace dialogue between India and Pakistan. Intended participants are academics, writers and journalists; students of international relations, political science and South Asian history; political activists, diplomats, members of political parties and state officials. Applications to Dr Sohail Mahmood, Director, Institute of International Affairs and Diplomacy, and Associate Dean, Department of International Relations, Preston University, 85 Street 3, H-8/1, Islamabad 44000, Pakistan, tel. +92 51 111 707808 (office), +92 51 2107416 (residence), fax +92 051 4430648, mobile +92 345 5117921.

Peace and Conflict Resolution Conference (7-9 December, Sarajevo): This three-day programme aims to raise awareness of the need for peace and conflict resolution tools and techniques at the macro/micro level. Participants will be encouraged to share personal beliefs, ideas and experiences of peace and conflict resolution issues. The conference is open to anyone interested or involved in building and maintaining peace in regions affected by war or by cultural, racial or other forms of discrimination and oppression. Details available at www.tomorrowpeople.org

Peace and Conflict-sensitive Impact Analysis (3-5 December, Koenigswinter, Bonn): Akademie für Konflikttransformation im Forum Ziviler Friedensdienst presents this workshop, titled 'Project Monitoring in a Peace and Conflict-sensitive Manner: Measuring Impact and Social Change'. The advanced programme qualifies people to

engage in professional work in the areas of conflict transformation, civil conflict resolution, civil peace service and crisis prevention. The 20 practice-oriented training modules are offered in German and in English and are tailored for organisations and individuals working in conflict transformation and civil conflict resolution or intending to extend their knowledge and skills for work at home and abroad. Details available from Stephan Clauss at clauss@forumzfd.de or www.forumzfd.de/advprog_overview.html

Peace Movements in the Cold War and Beyond (31 January-2 February 2008, London): The objective of this conference is to discuss and highlight the significance of peace movements during the Cold War era. Participants will be encouraged to draw conclusions for the analysis of contemporary socio-political reality and the evaluation and resolution of conflicts, and to promote research and teaching on the history of peace movements. Discussions are intended to challenge traditional interpretations of the Cold War focus on nation-states and governments and to examine the role and impact of citizen movements in both East and West, particularly for their relevance to the impact and significance of civil society in the resolution of conflicts more generally. Details available at www.lse.ac.uk/collections/CWSC/peace_conference/Default.htm

Strategic Peacebuilding (date on demand, Aas, Norway): The Centre for Conflict Management in Norway invites applications for this course which will explore the strategic peacebuilding framework of John Paul Lederach. Conducting exercises, group work case studies and simulations, participants will be encouraged to draft a strategic plan for peacebuilding within an area of their choice. Details available at www.ccm.no/eng/courses.html#Peacebuilding

Peace-keeping and International Conflict Resolution, Programme of Correspondence Instruction in Peacekeeping Operations (17-19 March 2008, Durham, United Kingdom):

This programme of the United Nations Institute of Training and Research is offering a certificate course to give participants drawn from peace-keeping and humanitarian organisations and the police a basic understanding of conflict resolution and its application to peace-keeping interventions in contemporary international conflicts. Details available at www.dur.ac.uk/sgia/poci/

Fourth Global Symposium (7-10 December, Lucknow):

Representatives of civil society, the media and corporations, university professors, educators and children from the world over are invited to this annual gathering aimed at 'awakening planetary consciousness'. The symposium has grown into a worldwide movement in partnership with civil society and educational organisations to promote sustainable development, world unity and world peace. Details available at www.wmgd.net/symposium

Annual Africa Conference (28-30 March 2008, Austin, Texas):

The theme of this conference, hosted by the University of Texas, is 'Wars and Conflicts in Africa'. Participants will be drawn from various countries and disciplines. Graduate students are encouraged to attend and present papers. Details available at www.utexas.edu/conferences/africa/2008/

Web Pages and E-Communications

Human Security Bulletin: The current issue of this policy research network publication of the Canadian Consortium on Human Security focuses on natural resources and armed conflict. The bulletin can be accessed at www.humansecuritybulletin.info/. Details available from Lindsay Mackenzie, Canadian Consortium on Human Security/Liu Institute for Global Issues, tel. + 604-822-3844, fax 604-822-6966, or at cchs.hq@ubc.ca

Colombia This Week: This news summary produced and distributed by ABColombia Group draws on daily Colombian, United States, European and Latin American newspapers and reports from NGOs and United Nations organisations. To join the mailing list, e-mail abcolombia@abcolombia.org.uk, or contact *Columbia This Week* at Mezzanine 2 – Downstream 1, London Bridge, London SE1 1GB, tel. +44 2077856595, fax: 44 2077853909, or log on to www.abcolombia.org.uk

Forced Migration Review: The countries of the Middle East are host to the fastest-growing refugee crisis in the world. Violence has displaced two million people inside Iraq and more than two million others have crossed its borders. Most Iraqi refugees are in Syria and Jordan which host the largest number of refugees per capita in the world. The vast majority are surviving with little or no assistance from the international community. Few, if any, enjoy their rights as refugees. A special report, titled 'Iraq's Displacement Crisis: The Search for Solutions', is available at www.fmreview.org/iraq.htm. The Arabic version will soon be available at www.hijra.org.uk/iraq.htm

Peace and Collaborative Development Networking:

Log on to the website at <http://internationalpeaceandconflict.ning.com/> to access this free professional networking site which fosters interaction between individuals and organisations around the world involved in development, peace, conflict resolution and related fields. The network has over 1,000 members. Details available from Dr Craig Zelizer, Visiting Assistant Professor, Master of Arts in Conflict Resolution, Department of Government, Georgetown University, 3240 Prospect Street, Washington, DC 20007, or at <http://conflictresolution.georgetown.edu/>

Peacebuilding Portal: The portal supports multilateral collaboration on conflict prevention and peacebuilding by offering local, national, and multi-lateral stakeholders a real-time web tool to strengthen their work and better respond to issues of human



security, peacebuilding and conflict. Its user-friendly database covers peacebuilding initiatives undertaken by NGOs, academic institutions, networks and task forces, among others. Details available from the Peacebuilding Portal Manager at info@peacebuildingportal.org

Book Notices

Conflicts over Land and Water in Africa

B. Derman, R. Odgaard & E. Sjaastad, editors

James Currey 2007

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Efforts to change the race-based systems of land ownership and land tenure in Namibia, South Africa and Zimbabwe have pushed land issues to the forefront of social and economic discourses in Africa. This collection examines the broader context of the re-emergence of land reform and resource conflicts. The case studies examine the links between identity maintenance, tenure changes, state intervention and forms and modes of conflict. The authors emphasise the need for a deeper understanding of local histories, cultures and motivations if efforts to attain a more just distribution of resources are to succeed.

Votes, Money and Violence: Political Parties and Election in Sub-Saharan Africa

Matthias Basedau, Gero Erdmann & Andreas Mehler, editors

Nordic Africa Institute 2007

ISBN 978 91 7106 579 7

Third and fourth elections are being held in Africa's new democracies and hybrid regimes with the (re-) introduction of multiparty systems in Africa in the early 1990s. Although there is a large and growing literature on democracy and elections in Africa, parties and party systems have hitherto not been the focus of research, which may be surprising given their central role in a liberal democracy. Research on political parties and party systems in Africa is still in

its infancy, and works from the 1960s and 1970s provide neither a sound conceptual nor empirical basis. Various contributions in this volume address the theoretical and conceptual challenges provided by the African parties and party systems with their particular features of weak organisation, informal relationships dominated by 'big men', and clientelism within a neopatrimonial setting. Others raise the crucial question of representation in relation to ethnicity, civil society and gender, or examine the empirical relationship between party systems and democracy. Further chapters explore appropriate electoral systems for the multi-ethnic context in Africa and deal with the problem of electoral reform and electoral violence. The publication also features a case study on the moral role of money and vote buying.

Gender & Genocide in Burundi: The Search for Spaces of Peace in the Great Lakes Region

Patricia O. Daley

Indiana University Press, Jacana Uganda & Fountain Publishers 2007

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This book seeks to answer three fundamental questions in the search for spaces for peace in the Great Lakes region: 1) What are the continuities and transformations of violence in Burundi? The Germans and the Belgians structured formal ethnic hierarchies which evolved into the competing elites of the post-colonial and post-Cold War era. Loosening ties of cooperation within older forms of household production freed young men to emulate the overwhelmingly masculine roles of colonial rulers and, more recently, of global economic firms and agencies. 2) How does Burundi fit into the Great Lakes jigsaw? Burundi is linked to the patterns of recurrent genocidal violence in Rwanda, Congo and Uganda. Exploitative long-distance trade and associated brutal military episodes in the Congo shaped events in Burundi, too. 3) How can women be included in making peace? Patricia Daley argues passionately for a revised feminist-historical approach to

understanding violence and reforming the processes whereby local and international bodies put together peace agreements.

Constructive Engagement? Chester Crocker & American Policy in South Africa, Namibia and Angola, 1981-8

J.E. Davies

Ohio University Press, South Africa:
Jacana 2007

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How successful was Chester Crocker's policy of 'constructive engagement' with South Africa, Namibia and Angola when he was President Reagan's Assistant Secretary of State for Africa Affairs from 1981 to 1988? Crocker's priority in South Africa, a policy driven by the Cold War, was to allow Washington to continue its strategically important relationship with Pretoria without seeming to endorse apartheid. Under the auspices of constructive engagement, he linked South Africa's granting of Namibian independence to the removal of Cuban troops from Angola. However, constructive engagement generated hostility towards Washington and Cuba gained credibility. Davies argues that Crocker largely failed in his anti-communist agenda for the region. His analysis of Crocker's policy in Southern Africa has important relevance to foreign policy dilemmas of today, particularly those created by America's 'war on terror'. This analysis questions whether constructive engagement can provide a bridge between the pursuit of national interest and concern for human rights.

Peacebuilding: Women in International Perspective

Elisabeth J. Porter

Routledge 2007

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Porter highlights positive examples of women's peacebuilding in comparative international contexts, critically interrogates entrenched dualisms that

prevent reconciliation, and examines the harm of 'othering' and the importance of recognition, inclusion and tolerance. Drawing on feminist ethics, the book develops a politics of compassion that defends justice, equality and rights and the need to restore victims' dignity.

Constructing Peace Lessons from United Nations Peacebuilding Operations in El Salvador and Cambodia

Lisa MacLeod

Lexington Books 2007

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Civil conflict remains one of the most significant threats to peace and security in the contemporary era. In *Constructing Peace*, Lisa MacLeod offers the first-ever application of Finnemore and Sikkink's model of norm construction to the study of peacebuilding and conflict resolution by comparing operations in El Salvador and Cambodia.

International Democracy Assistance for Peacebuilding: The Cambodian Experience Cambodia and Beyond

Sorpong Peou

Palgrave MacMillan 2007

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ISBN 13 9780230521377

The author seeks to explain why international donors may succeed in putting war-torn countries on the path of democratic transition and negative peace, but fail to consolidate the gains they make. Cambodia provides an excellent example for international peacebuilders: the donor community spent billions of dollars rebuilding the country between 1992 and 2006, but democracy remains unconsolidated and the country may even be heading towards 'electoral dictatorship'. Critical of neo-institutionalism, but sympathetic to historical and normative institutionalism, Sorpong Peou advances a theory called 'complex realist institutionalism' to explain the limits of international democracy assistance to post-war societies.



Peacebuilding after Peace Accords: The Challenges of Violence, Truth and Youth

Tristan Anne Borer, John Darby & Siobhan McEvoy-Levy

University of Notre Dame Press 2007

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Peace accords are often plagued by economic hardship, burgeoning crime, post-war trauma, and persistent fear and suspicion, among other problems. Too often, negotiated settlements merely open another difficult chapter in the peace process, or worse, lead to new phases of conflict. The University of Notre Dame's Research Initiative on the resolution of Ethnic Conflict explored three significant challenges of the post-war landscape: the effects of violence in internal conflicts after peace agreements have been signed; the contributions of truth-telling mechanisms; and the multidimensional roles played by youth, soldiers, criminals, and community builders. The project led to the 2006 publication of three edited volumes by the University of Notre Dame Press: John Darby's *Violence and Reconstruction*, Tristan Anne Borer's *Telling the Truths: Truth Telling and Peacebuilding in Post-conflict Societies*, and Siobhan McEvoy-Levy's *Troublemakers or Peacemakers: Youth and Post-accord Peacebuilding*. In this volume, the three editors revisit the topics presented in their books. They examine the dilemmas that each of the three challenges presents for post-war reconstruction and the difficulties of building a sustainable peace in societies recently destabilised by deadly violence.

Documents and Reports

Options for Revenue Generation in Post-conflict Environments

In the wake of violent conflict, a key element of building a durable peace is building a state with the ability to collect and manage public resources. In this policy brief, published jointly by New York University's Centre on International Cooperation and the University of Massachusetts' Political Economy Research

Institute, Michael Carnahan of the Australian National University offers recommendations for using international assistance more effectively to build national revenue capacity. Available at www.peri.umass.edu/fileadmin/pdf/working_papers/working_papers_101-150/WP137.pdf

Mapping Darfur

The Darfur Peace Agreement was signed on 5 May 2006 in Abuja, Nigeria. It has not brought safety for the people of Darfur. The humanitarian crisis continues to be deeply worrying despite efforts to achieve improved conditions for the suffering population in this western region of Sudan. *Mapping Darfur* (ISBN 978-91-7106-600-8) was published a year after the agreement was signed. It is based on a series of four seminars during February and March 2007 organised by the Nordic Africa Institute, the Life and Peace Institute and ABF Stockholm. The intention was to increase knowledge and understanding of the underlying causes of the crisis in Darfur through contributions from actors and observers. The report can be downloaded free of charge at www.nai.uu.se/news/lectures/darfur/

South Africa and Darfur Fact Sheet

Abdelbagi Jibril, Director of the Darfur Relief and Documentation Centre, compares South Africa's economic and trade relations with China and the Arab Gulf states and criticises its defence of the Khartoum regime. South Africa's increasing political role is directly linked to its economic might. Its economy accounts for about 45% of Africa's GDP, equivalent of three times the size of Egypt, the second biggest economy in Africa. Jibril maintains that South Africa's economic interest and importance are the driving forces behind its political stands on some of the crucial situations facing Africa today, including Darfur, in spite of its membership of the influential Peace and Security Council of the African Union, the United Nations Security Council and the UN Human Rights Council. Details available from www.pambuzuka.org

Why AFRICOM? An American Perspective

This 2007 briefing by Theresa Whelan for the Institute for Security Studies puts the United States government's case for AFRICOM – a proposed stand-alone, unified military command focused solely on Africa. The primary objective is to contribute to Department of Defence expertise in the security arena in support of diplomacy and development efforts towards preventing crises. Details available at www.issafrica.org/index.php?link_id=3&slink_id=122&link_type=12&slink_type=12&tmpl_id=3

Programmes and Projects

Centre for Justice and Peacebuilding: CJP was founded by Eastern Mennonite University, Harrisonburg, Virginia, to further the personal and professional development of individuals as peacebuilders and to strengthen the peacebuilding capacities of the institutions they serve. The organisation is committed to supporting conflict transformation and peacebuilding efforts at all levels of society in situations of war and violent or potentially violent social conflict. There are links to its Graduate Programme in Conflict Transformation, the Summer Peacebuilding Institute and The Practice Institute, which also houses Strategies for Trauma Awareness and Resilience. The Centre's premise is that conflict transformations approaches must address root causes of conflict, be developed strategically and promote healing and restoration of relationships within communities. It is committed to creating and sustaining a mutual learning community that values the diversity and rich experience of students, faculty and staff. Details available at www.emu.edu/ctp/ctp

The Alliance for Peacebuilding: AfP, based Washington, DC, is a coalition of diverse organisations working together to build sustainable peace and security worldwide. Members are directly engaged in applied conflict prevention and resolution. They conduct research, provide evaluation, negotiation and mediation services, train

negotiators, facilitate communication to break down barriers, and help to find solutions to the issues and pressures that otherwise drive groups and nations to achieve their objectives through violent force. The Alliance also initiates, develops and supports collaborative action among non-governmental, governmental, and intergovernmental organisations, building understanding of and support for peacebuilding policies and programmes among leaders in government, business, media, philanthropy, religion and other sectors of civil society. Details available at www.allianceforpeacebuilding.org/about.htm. Address applications for membership online to Christy@allianceforpeacebuilding.org



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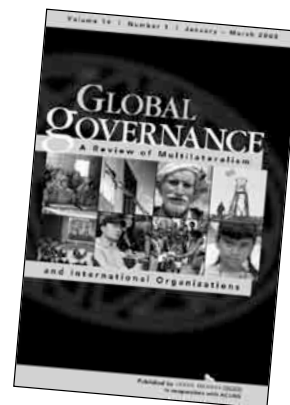
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