

CHALLENGES TO SUSTAINING PEACE

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KEYWORDS

Key words: security sector reform; disarmament, demobilization and reintegration; governance; election processes; organizations's role in sustaining peace (OSCE, OTAN, UN DPO, AU)

ABSTRACT:

As once stated by Nelson Mandela "Peace is not just the absence of conflict; peace is the creation of an environment where all can flourish, regardless of race, colour, creed, religion, gender, class, caste, or any other social markers of difference."

In a world of proliferating conflicts, sustaining peace has become a complex task which demands of a comprehensive approach including political process; safety and security; rule of law and human rights; social services; core government functions and economic revitalization and livelihoods.

Anchored on the understanding that communities continue to function and resist in conflict situations, this course will focus in exploring the activities related to the political and safety and security process (including elections; inclusive dialogue; reconciliation; and conflict management capacity at national and subnational levels; mine action; disarmament, demobilization and reintegration; and security sector reform) and the role played by different international and regional organizations such as NATO, OSCE, AU.

Acknowledging that conflicts are not lineal process and brining in the vantage point of local communities the course will discuss the role of humanitarian, development, and peacebuilding actors to conduct activities with a triple nexus approach before, during and after conflict.

As described in Secretary General's Report Our Common Agenda a prevention agenda linking peace and security, human rights, gender equality, climate and development, and demonstrating an understanding of the factors that can give rise to local grievances and cause instability is critical in sustaining peace.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Explore the relevance of the political and safety and security process for sustaining peace.
- Understand the role of different international and regional organization in sustaining peace.
- Get familiarized with the UN policies sustaining peace (our common agenda; action for peacekeeping etc.)

LECTURERS:



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METHODOLOGY

The course uses a variety of methodologies, including lectures and presentations, debates, group work, practical and advanced role-playing sessions, outdoor activities and simulation exercises.

DIPLOMA:

Participants who successfully complete the course will obtain an official diploma from the International University Centre for Peace Missions of Helsinki España.

LOCATION

Alfaz del Pi, Alicante-Spain

DATE

12-16 June 2023

COURSE DURATION

40 hours
8:30am-6:30pm Monday to Friday

LANGUAGE

English

COST AND ENROLLMENT

1.200€ course fee
Meals and accommodation costs are NOT included.
Applicants are also responsible for their visa-related costs

VISA PROCESS

In order to start with the visa process, students must have paid all the course. Helsinki España will support participants with an invitation letter,

ENROLLMENT PROCESS

Registration Form must be sent to iucpm@helsinkiespana.org

MINIMUM REQUIREMENT

University degree or equivalent professional training
Fluency in English: B2+
Strong interest in international affairs

ACCOMMODATION

Participants organize their own accommodation . However, Helsinki España will inform selected participants of the different accommodation options available.

PAYMENTS

-Individual courses must be paid in full.

-Students are responsible for the cost of bank transfers and currency exchange.

In case of cancellation prior to the start date of the course payments will not be refunded. Full or partial refunds will be considered deferred to the following course only under exceptional and properly justified circumstances.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Unfortunately, we cannot provide scholarships for this course. Participants (or their employer) must be able to cover the tuition fee.

LECTURERS



MR. HANS THORGREN

COUNTRY: SWEDEN
INSTITUTION: FOLKE BERNADOTTE ACADEMY (FBA)
POSITION: SENIOR ADVISOR

Hans Thorgren is a Senior Advisor at the Department for Conflict Prevention at the Folke Bernadotte Academy (FBA) in Sweden. He recently returned to FBA after serving as a Political Counsellor at the Delegation of the European Union to Colombia. He was previously Head of the DDR Programme at FBA and the Swedish National Defence College. He has served with several UN peacekeeping and peacebuilding missions, and has contributed to various international DDR initiatives, e.g. the Integrated DDR Standards (IDDRS) for the United Nations, the Stockholm Initiative on DDR (SIDDR) for the Swedish Ministry for Foreign Affairs, and the establishment of the Integrated DDR Training Group (IDDRTG).



MR. STEFAN ÅSTRÖM

COUNTRY: SWEDEN
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POSITION: TRAINING AND DDR PROJECT OFFICER

Stefan Åström is currently working as Training and Project Officer in the Disarmament, Demobilization and Reintegration (DDR) program at the Folke Bernadotte Academy. Prior to this job, he worked at the OAS DDR Verification Mission in Colombia for more than 6 years, including 4 years as Regional Office Coordinator at Headquarters.

Prior to that, he was an advisor to the Head of the Presidential Authority "Red Solidaridad Social", Colombia, regarding the sustainable return/reintegration of internally displaced persons. His previous experience includes UNDP, Colombia, UNHCR, Venezuela; CIMIC/SFOR, Bosnia; UN Military Observer, MINUGUA, Guatemala and the Swedish Migration Board.

Stefan Åström holds a BA in Political Science and an MA in International Humanitarian Law.



MR. RAFAEL BARBIERI

COUNTRY: URUGUAY
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POSITION: TEAM LEADER OF THE MEMBER STATES
SUPPORT TEAM IN THE INTEGRATED TRAINING SERVICE

Mr Rafael Barbieri is currently the Deputy Team Leader of the Member States support team in the Integrated Training Service of the United Nations Department of Peace Operations (UNDPO). Rafael's team oversees the development and delivery of UN Peacekeeping mandatory and recommended pre-deployment training materials.

Rafael has more than 30 years of progressively responsible experience in training and education and more than 25 years of experience in Peacekeeping training. He has served in the UN Secretariat for 17 consecutive years.

Previously, Rafael has served for almost three decades in the army, mainly in the Special Forces. He graduated from the Military Academy as an Infantry officer in 1985 and from the War College as Staff Officer in 2000. He commanded the deployment of troops in UNTAC (Cambodia) in 1993 and MONUC (DRC) from 2002 to 2003. Rafael has been the Director of the Uruguayan Peace Operations Training Centre from 2003 to 2005.

After he retired from the army in 2008, Rafael was recruited by the United Nations as a civilian staff member, serving both at HQ and the field. Rafael served as chief of training in 2012 in UNSMIS, Syria. Rafael oversees the development and dissemination of key UN Specialized Training Materials (STM), including the UN Military Units; the Comprehensive Protection of Civilians; the UN Senior National Planners Programme; and Intelligence in Peacekeeping. During his assignment in the Secretariat, Rafael has led numerous training programmes and advised Member States on how to contribute to peacekeeping operations.

Rafael holds a master's degree in military science and two university degrees in system analysis and computer engineering. He was a professor at the University in Uruguay from 1999 to 2002 in project management and computer science.



MR. SÉBASTIEN COQUOZ

COUNTRY: SWITZERLAND
INSTITUTION: EUROPEAN EXTERNAL ACTION SERVICE
POSITION: ELECTIONS AND CONFLICT PREVENTION
POLICY OFFICER

Mr. Coquoz joined the EEAS's Conflict Prevention and Mediation Support Division in September 2021 and focuses on conflict analysis and policy advice on conflict prevention and mediation support in countries at risk of electoral violence. He mainly coordinates joint conflict analysis and electoral violence risk assessments, builds internal capacity on conflict prevention and electoral violence prevention and provides policy advice to EEAS hierarchy and colleagues at Headquarters and in Delegations to prevent conflict and electoral violence and address electoral crises. Additional tasks include providing advice to the EU Focal Point on the responsibility to protect (R2P) and other colleagues and liaising with partners on efforts to prevent atrocities.

Prior to that, he was the Peace, Elections and Democracy Adviser at the Peace and Human Rights Division (PHRD, formerly known as the Human Security Division) of the Swiss Federal Department of Foreign Affairs. He was in charge of the thematic desk and coordinated PHRD's work on elections and democracy in relation to peace. He mainly oversaw PHRD's approach on conflict prevention and resolution in electoral, constitutional and parliamentary processes, combining technical expertise and peace policy tools. His main geographic focus were Georgia, Myanmar, Nigeria and Zimbabwe.



MR. CHARLES PETRIE

COUNTRY: UNITED KINGDOM
INSTITUTION: INDEPENDENT CONSULTANT
POSITION: HUMAN SECURITY CONSULTANT

Sir Charles Petrie Bt, OBE is currently an independent consultant, specializing in human security. He holds a degree in International Affairs and Art history from the American college in Paris and a MBA from INSEAD. He has had close to 30 years' experience working in contexts of conflict and famine, some of it with Médecins Sans Frontières and much of it with the UN system. From mid 2003 to end 2007 he was the UN representative in Myanmar. At the end of 2007, he was expelled from the country by the military for supporting the monks of the Saffron Revolution. Charles Petrie resigned from the UN at the end of 2010 as the Executive Representative of the Secretary General for Burundi.

After leaving the UN, Charles Petrie was the special policy advisor to the President of Somalia based in Villa Somalia Mogadishu (03/2011 - 09/2012). Subsequently and upon the new Myanmar government's invitation, Charles Petrie coordinated a mechanism set up to facilitate the discussions between the Government and the Ethnic Armed Groups (02/2012 - 03/2015). In March 2012, Charles Petrie was tasked by the UN Secretary General to lead an internal review of the UN's actions in Sri Lanka during the last phase of the conflict. In the first half of 2015, he was designated as a member of a group of experts commissioned by the UN Secretary General to review the UN's Peacebuilding Architecture.

In August 2021, Charles Petrie published a book entitled *The Triumph of Evil*, which relates the story of an attempt to get a former UN official to account for his alleged involvement in the murder of thirty-two people, including UN colleagues, during the 1994 Rwandan genocide.

Charles Petrie was named Officer of the Order of the British Empire (OBE) in the 2014 New Year's Honours list for services to international peace, security and human rights. Upon his request, he received the award in Mogadishu. Following the death of his father in October 2021, he became the sixth Baronet of Carrowcarden.

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