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MAKING, KEEPING, AND SUSTAINING PEACE

June 21-22, 2023
United States Institute of Peace, Washington DC
2301 Constitution Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20037

PRELIMINARY PROGRAM: MAY 2023

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Welcome to the 2023 ACUNS Annual Meeting

Welcome to the 2023 Academic Council on the United Nations System (ACUNS) Annual Meeting. The ACUNS Secretariat is now housed at Georgetown University. The 2023 Annual Meeting will take place at the conveniently-located and stunning United States Institute of Peace (USIP), 2301 Constitution Ave NW, Washington, D.C., USA.

This is the 36th ACUNS Annual Meeting—meaning that there are 35 years of remarkable history of learning and sharing. Several thousand scholars, UN officers and other practitioners have already attended Annual Meetings in different cities around the world, and become part of the ACUNS global network. Building and maintaining this network, and encouraging its members to share their growing knowledge and skills with each other, is an important purpose of the meeting. Indeed, it is part of the mandate of ACUNS itself: to foster innovation and excellence in scholarship and practice related to the United Nations, international organization(s), and global governance, and to promote dialogue between academic and practitioner communities.

With this in mind, it is important to note that we come together in the Annual Meeting not as representatives of particular institutions, governments or countries, but as individuals bringing a wide variety of expertise, perspectives and ideas to the table. We seek to learn from each other in order to improve both analysis and action. Please make sure to attend each other's panels and roundtables.

This year’s Annual Meeting theme is “Making, Keeping, and Sustaining Peace.” The United Nations and other organizations laid the foundations for international peace after World War II, and those foundations remained robust at the end of the Cold War. In this time of change and turmoil, what entities serve as the pillars of international cooperation and peace? What can we learn from previous efforts at making, keeping, and sustaining peace? The year 2023 marks the 75th anniversary of the advent of both UN special political missions and UN peacekeeping. In the current geopolitical context, what are the prospects for future special political missions and peacekeeping operations? How must they adapt? How can the rules-based order adapt? How do climate change, gender, inequality, strategic risk, new weaponry, and other issues intersect with war and peace? As in previous years, we also welcome substantive contributions on the UN’s broader agenda, e.g. sustainable development, human rights, the rule of law, health governance, climate governance, etc. How might scholars, policy-makers, and policy-shapers help render the UN more effective, in all areas of its essential work?

We look forward to constructive and engaging discussions!

Dr. Lise M. Howard
President, ACUNS
Senior Scholar in Residence, USIP, 2022-23
Professor of Government and Foreign Service, Georgetown University
Meet the ACUNS 2023 Annual Meeting Team

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ACUNS President; Senior Scholar in Residence at USIP; Professor of Government and Foreign Service at Georgetown University

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OVERVIEW
All time are Eastern Daylight Time (UTC-4)

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21
7:30 – 8:00 am: Check-in and continental breakfast
8:00 – 9:15 am: WED-A: Simultaneous panels and roundtables
9:15 – 9:30 am: Coffee Break
9:30 – 10:45 am: WED-B: Simultaneous panels and roundtables

11:00 am – 12:00 pm: Opening Keynote Address
Dr. Rosemary A. DiCarlo, United Nations Under-Secretary-General for Political and Peacebuilding Affairs, Carlucci Auditorium

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm: Buffet Lunch, Great Hall

1:15 – 2:30 pm: WED-C: Simultaneous panels and roundtables
2:30 – 2:45 pm: Coffee Break
2:45 – 4:00 pm: Plenary I: AU and EU Perspectives on the New Agenda for Peace
Sponsored by the Dag Hammarskjöld Foundation, and Challenges Forum of the Folke Bernadotte Academy, Sweden
Carlucci Auditorium
Reception (Location and Time TBA)

THURSDAY, JUNE 22
7:30 – 8:00 am: Check-in and continental breakfast
8:00 – 9:15 am: THU-A: Simultaneous panels and roundtables
9:15 – 9:30 am: Coffee Break
9:30 – 10:45 am: THU-B: Simultaneous panels and roundtables

11:00 am – 12:00 pm: Holmes Lecture
Jean-Pierre Lacroix, United Nations Under-Secretary-General for Peace Operations, Carlucci Auditorium

12:00 pm – 1:00 pm: Buffet Lunch, Great Hall

1:15 – 2:30 pm: THU-C: Simultaneous panels and roundtables
2:30 – 2:45 pm: Coffee Break
2:45 – 3:30 pm: Global Policy Dialogue: Working Group Read-Outs, Carlucci Auditorium
3:30 – 4:45 pm: Plenary II: Reconstructing the Global Peace and Security Architecture Carlucci Auditorium
4:45 – 6:00 pm: Reception, Great Hall

FRIDAY, JUNE 23
9:30 – 10:30 am: ACUNS Member-Board Meeting Online
WAYS TO ENGAGE

This is a hybrid Annual Meeting. Please bring your laptop to facilitate hybrid interaction and be mindful to include online participants in discussions.

ACUNS and USIP will provide lunch, coffee breaks and a reception at the end of each day. Plan to stay for the day, and attend each other’s panels and roundtables.

Chairs contact all panel/roundtable participants approximately two weeks ahead of the Annual Meeting to facilitate the logistics of the session (ACUNS will provide Chairs with the email addresses). Chairs request that authors – of working papers, policy briefs or books – circulate their work to the discussant(s) and other panelists at least one week before the Annual Meeting. During the meeting, Chairs are responsible for introducing the speakers, keeping time, and facilitating meaningful research-policy discussions and debate among panelists and between panelists and the audience. Make sure to reserve approximately 20 minutes at the end for Q & A.

Discussants are responsible for reading working papers and policy briefs ahead of time, and for providing constructive feedback during the panel in approximately 7-10 minutes total. Discussants should receive materials at least one week ahead of the meeting.

Authors on Panels are responsible for sharing their materials – working papers and policy briefs – with the discussant(s) and fellow panelists at least one week before the Annual Meeting. Authors may also want to familiarize themselves with the works of fellow panelists in order to engage in a more meaningful discussion. Authors should present their research/policy findings in approximately 7-10 minutes during their panel. Authors can, but are not required to, use slides.

Authors on Book Roundtables are responsible for sharing their books with fellow roundtable speakers at least two weeks in advance.

Roundtable Participants provide expert commentary on a specific theme or book. Comments should be limited to 3-10 minutes, depending on the number of other participants and advice of the Chair.

Attendees who do not otherwise have a speaking role are encouraged to participate in the Q & A, and to apply to participate in a future ACUNS Annual Meeting!

NB: Panels include a Chair, a Discussant, and several authors of working papers or policy briefs. Roundtables are composed of a Chair (book author for book roundtables), and several experts who provide commentary.
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**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21, 2023**

**Check-in and continental breakfast:** 7:30 am - 8:00 am*

*Make sure to register before the meeting, and allow time to pass through security upon arrival. The U.S. Institute of Peace is a government building. Please bring your ID.

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**WED-A SESSIONS: 8:00 AM - 9:15 AM WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21**

**WED-A1 Roundtable 8:00 am – 9:15 am, Room B206**
**Asian Perspectives on the Challenges of Making, Keeping and Sustaining Global Peace**

**Sukehiro Hasegawa** (Chair), Director, ACUNS Tokyo Liaison Office and Distinguished Professor, Kyoto University of the Arts  
**Wenli Hu**, Director-General of the United Nations Association of China  
**Tetsuya Yamada**, President of Japan Association for the United Nations Studies (JAUNS) and Professor, Nanzan University  
**Dong Ju Choi**, President of the Korean Academic Council on the UN System (KACUNS) and Professor, School of Global Service, Sookmyung Women's University

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**WED-A2 Roundtable 8:00 am – 9:15 am**
**Beyond Binary and Deterministic Thinking on Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD): the Search for New Conceptual Frameworks**

**Augusto Lopez-Claros** (Chair), Global Governance Forum  
**Maria Fernanda Espinosa**, President of the 73 UN General Assembly and Global Women’s Leaders: Voices for Change and Inclusion  
**Daniel Deudney**, Johns Hopkins University  
**Jeffery William Knopf**, Middlebury Institute of International Studies  
**Denise Garcia**, Northeastern University

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**WED-A3 Panel 8:00 am – 9:15 am**
**Challenges in UN Peace Operations**

**Saleem Ahmad Khan** (Chair), Grameen Communications  
**Katherine Collin** (Discussant) Georgetown University

Mercenaries, Private Military and Security Companies, and UN Peace Operations  
**Erica Gaston**, UNU Centre for Policy Research

Tracing the effects of the legitimacy crises of the First UN on the growing role of the Third UN: The case of UN Peacekeeping  
**Gonca Oğuz Gök**, Marmara University
The Role of People’s Liberation Army in Chinese Peacekeeping Operations Decision-making Process
Minha Kim, Georgetown University

The First Signatory of the UN Charter: China’s Influence on the Postwar International Order
Pasuth Thothaveesansuk, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

WED-A4 Panel 8:00 am – 9:15 am
Peacekeeping and Peacebuilding: International and Regional Perspectives

Silvia Danielak, (Chair), Georgetown University
Marina Caparini (Discussant), Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI)

Building Infrastructure, Building States: Revisiting Post-Cold War Peacekeeping through an Urban Lens
Silvia Danielak, Georgetown University

Countering violent extremism in Africa through DDR programs: Challenges and opportunities
Lydie Belporo, School of Criminology, University of Montreal

AU’s Mediation in Securing Sustainable Peace: The Northern Ethiopia Crisis in Focus
Amsalu Getachew Tsige, Center for African and Asian Studies (CAAS) in Addis Ababa University, Ethiopia

United Nations Peacekeeping Contributions by Small Sovereign States of the Global South: The Example of The Gambia
Nancy Wright, Pace University

WED-A5 Panel 8:00 am – 9:15 am
UN Security Council: Challenges and Reform

Dusan Soltes (Chair), Comenius University, Bratislava
Kendall Stiles (Discussant), Brigham Young University

The African voice in decision-making on peace issues: The Emergency of an African permanent seat at the Security Council
Gabriel Amvane, Office Français de Protection des Réfugiés et Apatrides

Securing participation and representation: the case study of Arria-formula meetings and the UN Security Council
Anna Kronlund, University of Turku

Navigating Gridlock: How Peacebuilders Pursue Multilateral Conflict Resolution Amidst UNSC Inaction
Anjali Dayal, Fordham University/U.S. Institute of Peace

The Struggle over Ukraine and Palestine at the United Nations: Imagining a World Order
Karim Makdisi, The American University of Beirut

WED-A6 Panel 8:00 am – 9:15 am
UN and Regional Peacebuilding

Claudia Pfeifer Cruz (Chair), Balsillie School of International Affairs
Seyed Ali Hosseini (Discussant), Stockholm International Peace Research Institute

The United Nations Peacebuilding Commission in Promoting Sustainable Peace: The Liberal Peacebuilding Approach in Liberia
Rose Govindaraj, Pondicherry University

Building Peace in South Asia: The Case of United Nations Military Observer Group in India and Pakistan
Heena Makhija, Jawaharlal Nehru University

Ghana and Her Neighbors
Mark Anderson, Afriyan Ghana
Grace Akosua Emmanuel, Afriyan Ghana
Lovina Esinam Attah, Afriyan Ghana

WED-A7 Panel 8:00 am – 9:15 am
UN Action, Minority Rights, Inclusion in Asia

Aigul Kulnazarova (Chair), Tama University School of Global Studies
Sarmad Khan (Discussant), New York University

Minorities Rights and Federalism: A Policy Intervention in South Asian Countries
Sanjay Sharma, Pondicherry University

Looking Back and Forward on UN Peace Operations in Post-Soviet Eurasia: A Critical Appraisal
Aigul Kulnazarova, Tama University School of Global Studies

Arms recovery, explosion, and attacks on Police Forces in South-Asian countries: Exploring the role of the United Nations in South Asia
Shekhar Chauhan, International Institute for Population Sciences, Mumbai, India

WED-A8 Panel 8:00 am – 9:15 am
Women Leaders in Peace and Political Processes

Carla Koppell (Chair), Georgetown University
Pilar Domingo (Discussant) Overseas Development Institute

Women Leaders in Disaster Management: The Beirut Blast
Fatima Nasser, American University of Beirut
Removing Obstacles to Women’s Participation at the Peace Table and in Politics
Grace Ndirangu, University of the Witwatersrand
Pearl Atuhaire, UN Women

Women as agents of peace: the construction of a network of mediators in South America
Mariana Carluccio, Brazilian Army Command and General-Staff School

Constitutional Reform and the Women, Peace and Security Agenda
Clare Castillejo, Overseas Development Institute

WED-A9 Roundtable 8:00 am – 9:15 am
Key factors that influence the effectiveness of peace operations: Insights from the studies undertaken by the Effectiveness of Peace Operations Network (EPON)

Cedric De Coning (Chair), Norwegian Institute of International Affairs (NUPI)

Adam Day, UN University
Fiifi Edu-Afful, Kofi Annan International Peacekeeping Training Center
Lotte Vermeij, Norwegian Refugee Council
David Haeri, UN Department of Peace Operations

WED-A10 Panel 8:00 am – 9:15 am
UN Cooperation with Regional Organizations in Peace Operations

Inken von Borzyskowski (Chair), University College London
Annika Enning (Discussant), Trier University

Ilhan Dahir, Stimson Center

(Re)defining the relationship between the African Union and the United Nations in (future) peace operations in Africa
Swikani Ncube University of Johannesburg

Cooperation between the UN and Regional Organisations in Peacemaking and Peacekeeping
Kathryn Nash, University of Edinburgh

Fitting a Square Peg in a Round Hole? The African Union Peace Operation in Somalia.
Abigail Kabandula, University of Denver

WED-A11 Roundtable 8:00 am – 9:15 am
New Social Contracts, Making and Sustaining Peace: Rethinking Instruments and Actors

Erin McCandless (Chair), University of Witwatersrand
Richard Ponzio, Stimson Center
Awa Dabo, United Nations Department of Peacebuilding and Political Affairs
Tamara Rusinow, UNICEF
Mathieu Cloutier, World Bank
Maiara Folly, Plataforma CIPÓ
Sultan Barakat, Hamad Bin Khalifa University and Global Institute for Strategic Research

WED-A12 Roundtable 8:00 am – 9:15 am
The Increasing Role of Religion in Fomenting Internal Conflict: Afghanistan and Israel-Palestine

Colette Mazzucelli (Chair), Founder and Principal, LEAD IMPACT Inc.
Rukhsar Azamee, Vice-President, LEAD IMPACT Inc.
Daisy Khan, Founder, Women’s Islamic Initiative in Spirituality and Equality (WISE)
Jamal AlAref, International Advisor, LEAD IMPACT Inc.
Haitham Shtaieh, Director, LEAD IMPACT Inc.

WED-A13 Panel 8:00 am – 9:15 am
Peace, the UN, and North Korea
Sponsored by the Korean Academic Council on the UN System (KACUNS)

Heung-Soon Park (Chair), Sunmoon University
Sabine Burghart (Discussant), University of Turku
Youngsoo Yu (Discussant), University of North Korean Studies

The Road to Change: Have Human Rights in North Korea Changed?
Jiyoun Park, Jeonbuk National University

South-South Solidarity: The United Nations and Inter-Korean Competition in Africa
Tycho van der Hoog, African Studies Centre of Leiden University
Suweon Kim, Hankuk University of Foreign Studies

WED-A14 Panel 8:00 am - 9:15 am
Women, Leadership, and Accountability

TBA (Chair)
TBA (Discussant)

Supporting Women Entrepreneurship in Conflict Ridden States
Doaa Althalathini, Oxford Brookes University

Women, Peace and Security. Breaking down thematic silos
Pilar Domingo, Overseas Development Institute
Clare Castillejo, Overseas Development Institute

Whistleblowing and gendered perceptions of public officials
Shpresa Kaciku Baljija, Institute for Management and Leadership, Kosovo
Sawako Shirahase, United Nations University (invited)
Sabine Becker-Thierry, United Nations University (invited)

Coffee Break 9:15 am - 09:30 am Wednesday, June 21

WED-B SESSIONS: 9:30 AM - 10:45 AM WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21

WED-B1 Panel 9:30 am - 10:45 am
Links Between Women's Participation and Gender Dynamics in UN Missions

Jenna Russo (Co-Chair), International Peace Institute
Robert Nagel (Discussant), Georgetown Institute of Women, Peace and Security

Beyond Add Women and Stir: The Effects of Gendered Security Sector Reform on Sexual Exploitation and Abuse in Peacekeeping
Laura Huber, University of Mississippi
Angie Torres-Beltran, Cornell University

Analyzing Cultures of Sexual Abuse Within and Beyond Peacekeeping Missions
Phoebe Donnelly, International Peace Institute
Evltn Papworth, International Peace Institute
Dyan Mazurana, Tufts University

Overcoming cyclical barriers to child protection in Peace Support Operations: Assessing the recruitment of child soldiers in the Central African Republic
Anna Naa Adochoo Mensah, Kofi Annan International Peacekeeping Training Centre

Accountability in UN Peace Operations
Ai Kihara-Hunt, University of Tokyo

WED-B2 Book Roundtable 9:30 am - 10:45 am
Advocacy and Change in International Organizations: Communication, Protection, and Reconstruction in UN Peacekeeping (Oxford University Press, 2023)

Kseniya Oksamynna (Author), City University of London

Lise Howard (Chair), Academic Council on the United Nations System, Georgetown University, and U.S. Institute of Peace

Anjali Dayal, Fordham University and U.S. Institute of Peace
Fiifi Edu-Afful, Kofi Annan International Peacekeeping Training Center
Giovanna Kuele, City University of New York
Mary Glantz, U.S. Institute of Peace

WED-B3 Panel 9:30 am - 10:45 am
UN Peace Operations: Function, Dysfunction, and Lessons

Sarah von Billerbeck (Chair), University of Reading
David Teiner (Discussant), Trier University

UN Peace Operations: Function and Dysfunction
Stephen Browne, University of Geneva

The cultural dimension of the concept of sustaining peace: what role for UN peace operations?
Antonia Zervaki, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens

A Future Made: UNTAG in Namibia. What lessons remain unlearned from ’one of the proudest chapters
of our Organization's history’?
Jonathan Jackson, University of Cologne

Intended and Unintended Consequences of Brahimi Report after Two Decades: Reforms, Transformations
and Challenges for UN Peacekeeping 2000-2022
Hiromi Fujishige, Aoyama Gakuin University

WED-B4 Roundtable 9:30 am - 10:45 am
Redefining Approaches to Peace, Security & Humanitarian Action: Global Governance Innovation
Report 2023

Thomas Weiss (Chair), The CUNY Graduate Center

Karim Makdisi, American University of Beirut
Vesselin Popovski, O.P. Jindal Global University
Richard Ponzio, Stimson Center
Joris Larik, University of Leiden
Nudhara Yusuf, Stimson Center
Muznah Siddiqui, Stimson Center

WED-B5 Panel 9:30 am - 10:45 am
State Contributions to UN Peace Operations

Paul Williams (Chair), George Washington University
Ryan Glauser (Discussant), University of Michigan

UN Peacekeeping Reform and Domestic Policy: The Portuguese Case
Francisca Saraiva, Instituto Superior de Ciências Sociais e Políticas, University of Lisbon
Developing an argument from a historical point of view: the politics of multilateralism and the success of the United Nations
Teemu Häkkinen, University of Jyväskylä

What Does “Inclusive Governance” Mean? Clarifying Theory and Practice
Alina Rocha Menocal, Overseas Development Institute

Autocrats Keeping Peace: An Analysis of the Impact of Autocratic Troop and Police Contributors on Peace Operations
Michael Kriner, Cornell University

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WED-B6 Roundtable 9:30 am - 10:45 am
Peacebuilding Legacies: Programming for Change and Young People's Attitudes to Peace

Cedric de Coning (Chair), Norwegian Institute of International Affairs

Sukanya Podder, King's College London
Alpaslan Ozerdem, George Mason University
Michael Shipler, Search for Common Ground
Susan Shepler, American University
Agnieszka Paczynska, George Mason University

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WED-B7 Panel 9:30 am - 10:45 am
Climate Action on all Fronts: Everything, Everywhere, all at Once

Adriana Abdenur (Chair), Plataforma CIPO (invited)
Grace Ngunjiri Ndirangu (Discussant), University of Witwatersrand

Healthy oceans and their capacity to reduce conflict and sustain peace...and with a fair go for all!
Patricia Jenkings, United Nations Association of Australia (NSW) Inc

Structure and Effectiveness of a future Global Plastics Treaty
Joshua Lincoln, The Fletcher School, Tufts University

Climate Change Threat to Peace and Security in Northern Kenya
Ndirangu Ngunjiri, University of Nairobi
Elizabeth Kingoo, Jomo Kenyatta University of Science and Technology

Israel-Jordan-United Arab Emirates Energy and Water Cooperation and its Impact on Peace in the Region
Adam Krzymowski, Zayed University

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WED-B8 Panel 9:30 am - 10:45 am
Women in Peace and Political Processes

Margaret Karns (Chair), University of Dayton and University of Massachusetts Boston
Fatima Nasser (Discussant), The American University of Beirut

Women, Peace and Security and Land Reform
Clare Castillejo, Overseas Development Institute
Pilar Domingo, Overseas Development Institute

Women’s Rights as Human Rights: Case Study of Pakistan
Fakhra Khanim, Govt Post Graduate College Jhang City

The implications of COVID-19 on women’s empowerment in Uzbekistan and the UN 2030 agenda for sustainable development
Zulfiya Tursunova, Guilford College

Gender equality, democracy, war, and the UN
Carolyn Stephenson, University of Hawaii at Manoa

WED-B9 Panel 9:30 am - 10:45 am
Understanding the political and operational impacts of UN missions and operations on conflict

Charlotte Ku (Chair), Texas A&M University School of Law
Ronald Sievert (Discussant), Bush School of Government and Public Service, Texas A&M

United Nations Signaling and Pre-Deployment Violence in Civil Wars
Paul Diehl, University of Illinois

Peace Operations Beyond the UN
Alistair Edgar, Balsillie School of International Affairs, Wilfrid Laurier University

Teaching about UNEPS
Eyal Mayroz, The University of Sydney

WED-B10 Roundtable 9:30 am - 10:45 am
Global South Perspectives on Global Governance Reform

Maria del Carmen Rico (Chair) L’Université du Québec à Montréal (UQAM)/ORBICOM (Worldwide Network of UNESCO Chairs and Associates in Communications)

Cilene Victor, Methodist University of Sao Paulo/Fapcom Communication College/FGV LAW
Mohammad Taher Gholi Tabar, University of Religions and Denominations
Manuel Alejandro Guerrero, Universidad Iberoamericana
Kurt Anders Richardson, Institute for Abrahamic Relations
Mahdy Yusofi, Islamic Azad University of Qom
Carlyle G. Corbin, The Dependency Studies Project

WED-B11 Panel 9:30 am - 10:45 am
UN Security Council Power Dynamics and Reform
Victoria Holt (Chair), John Sloan Dickey Center for International Understanding, Dartmouth College  
Daniel Forti (Discussant), International Crisis Group  

United Nations Security Council as the Main Global Peace Guarantor  
Dusan Soltes, Comenius University, Bratislava, Slovakia  

Shifting Power Dynamics at the UN Security Council: Analyzing the Agential Capacity of the A3 Members  
Abdiasis Issa, Balsillie School of International Affairs  

UN Security Council Reform: “We do (not) need another world war to determine its membership.”  
Marcel Jesenský, Université d’Ottawa  

Examining the peacekeeper role in Canadian foreign policy at the United Nations Security Council  
Annika Enning, Trier University  

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WED-B12 Panel 9:30 am - 10:45 am  
Education: Challenges, Rule of Law, and Reconciliation  

Sarmad Khan (Chair), New York University  
Rami Elhusseini (Discussant), American University of Beirut  

Reflections on Conflict Transformative Education  
Jennifer Lauren, University of Exeter  

The Academic Alliance for Reconciliation, Conflict Transformation & Peace Studies in the Higher Education institutions  
Iyad Aldajani, Friedrich Schiller University  
Martin Leiner, Friedrich Schiller University  

Public Legal Education: A Tool to Promote the Rule of Law  
Marisa Almeida Araújo, Lusíada University, CEJEA  

LGBTIQ+ mainstreaming and United Nations  
Ariel Mekler, Graduate Center, City University of New York  

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WED-B13 Panel 9:30 am - 10:45 am  
Migration Frameworks and Governance  

Marie McAuliffe (Chair), International Organization on Migration  
Carlos Arriaga Serrano (Discussant), Northeastern University  

World Politics, Technocrats, and Local Preferences: The Inclusion of Human Mobility in National UN Development Frameworks  
Daniel Naujoks, Columbia University
Trends and Prospects of Migration and role of UN-IOM- A case study of Pakistan
Mohsin Raza, United Nations Office-IOM- Pakistan

Transnational Wicked Problems: Mobility, Displacement, Forced Migration, and the Quest for Global Governance
Obasesam Okoi, University of St Thomas

Opening Keynote Address: 11:00 am - 12:00 pm, June 21, Carlucci Auditorium
Dr. Rosemary A. DiCarlo, United Nations Under-Secretary-General for Political and Peacebuilding Affairs

Buffet Lunch 12:00 - 1:00pm, Great Hall

WED-C SESSIONS: 1:15 PM - 2:30 PM WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21

WED-C1 Panel 1:15 pm - 2:30 pm
Leadership Matters

Kingsley Moghalu (Chair), Institute for Governance and Economic Transformation
Anna Kronlund (Discussant), University of Turku

Managing the world organization: The Chefs de Cabinet of the United Nations
Manuel Fröhlich, Trier University

How independent are the UN Secretary-General’s public-realm conflict interventions?
Lonjezo Hamisi, UN Secretariat, DGC, Office of the Under-Secretary General

The Role of SRSGs in UN Stabilization Missions
David Teiner, Trier University

Reform of the "UNable" and a new Disability framework for the UN
Renata Juliotti, Methodist University of Sao Paulo

WED-C2 Book Roundtable 1:15 pm - 2:30 pm
Adaptive Peacebuilding: A New Approach to Sustaining Peace in the 21st Century

Cedric de Coning (Author and Chair). Norwegian Institute of International Affairs (NUPI)
Ako Muto (Author), JICA Ogata Research Institute for Peace and Development
Rui Saraiva (Author) JICA Ogata Research Institute for Peace and Development
Adam Day, United Nations University
Andrew Tchie, Norwegian Institute of International Affairs (NUPI)

WED-C3 Roundtable 1:15 pm - 2:30 pm
Sudan and South Sudan: The Quest for Peace

Abigail Kabandula (Chair), University of Denver
Kathryn Nash (Discussant), University of Edinburgh

Sustainable Logistics for UN Peacekeeping Operations
Col Shivkumar Iyer, The United Nations Mission in South Sudan

Gender integration in the Security Sector in Sudan 2023- 2028
Hanin Ahmed, Ahfad University for Women

“Don’t Want to Die in War” - Learning from South Sudan’s Liminal Spaces
Shelvis Smith-Mather, University of Oxford & Presbyterian Church USA

Why Regional Multilateral Organizations are Critical for Peacebuilding
David Connolly, U.S. Institute of Peace
Sandra Tombe, U.S. Institute of Peace

WED-C4 Roundtable 1:15 pm - 2:30 pm
Diagnosing the World: Year 1 for the Global Governance Index & Survey

Charlotte Ku (Chair), Texas A&M University

Michael Collins, Institute for Economics & Peace
Craig Charney, Charney Research
Maria Joao Rodrigues, Foundation for European Progressive Studies
Henk-Jan Brinkman, International Development Law Organization
Erin McCandless, University of Witwatersrand
Sukehiro Hasegawa, Director, ACUNS Tokyo Liaison Office & Distinguished Professor, Kyoto
Sultan Barakat, Hamad Bin Khalifa University and Global Institute for Strategic Research

WED-C5 Panel 1:15 pm - 2:30 pm
The United Nations, the African Union, and Peacekeeping Armies

Yvan Yenda Ilunga (Chair), Salve Regina University
Philippe Guillot (Discussant), French Air and Space Force Academy

The Role of Pakistan in the United Nations Peacekeeping Operations: Case Studies of the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), Liberia and Somalia
Yasir Khan, Austrian Institute for European Security Policy- Vienna Austria

Peacekeeping Armies: How the politics of peacekeeping shapes military organizations

Nina Wilen, Lund University
Paul Williams, George Washington University

Cooperation Under Institutional Anarchy: Examining the UN-AU Peacebuilding Partnership for Peace and Security in Africa

Abdiasis Issa, Balsillie School of International Affairs

UN Peacekeeping and the Security Sector: Political Role in Institutional Change

Louis-Alexandre Berg, Georgia State University University

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WED-C6 Panel 1:15 pm - 2:30 pm
Linking Food Security to Development

Lise Howard (Chair), ACUNS President, Georgetown University, and U.S. Institute of Peace
Jeremiah Asaka (Discussant), Sam Houston State University

Food security governance: Taming the endemic starvation for peace and sustainable development in Africa

Thecla Iheoma Akukwe, University of Nigeria
Alice Oluoko-Odingo, University of Nairobi

A Case for Climate Refugees: How Climate Change Intersects with Migration and the Increasing Need for International Protection

Carlos Arriaga Serrano, Northeastern University
Sabrina Geisler, Northeastern University

Leader or Laggard? Assessing the Role of the United Nations in Climate Change Politics
Alynnia Lyon, University of New Hampshire
Michael Cole, University of Massachusetts - Boston

The Russia-Ukraine war and the UN Black Sea Grain Initiative: How should the global peace and security community get involved in order to avoid an additional war in the Black Sea High Waters?
Baruti Likoyi, Recherches et Documentation Juridiques Africaines (RDJA)

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WED-C7 Panel 1:15 pm - 2:30 pm
Organized Crime

Alina Rocha Menocal (Chair) Overseas Development Institute
Shpresa Kaciku Baljija (Discussant) Institute for Management and Leadership, Kosovo

Incorporating organised crime into analysis of elite bargains and political settlements: Why it matters to understanding prospects for more peaceful, open and inclusive politics

Alina Rocha Menocal, Overseas Development Institute
Organised crime, conflict and the challenge of multilateralism in sustaining peace

**Marina Caparini**, United Nations University - Centre for Policy Research

On IGOs and States to improve intervention policies over governed and ungoverned territories vis-à-vis the trans-national criminal networks increasing local and global reciprocally operations

**Raphael Maretto**, The Royal United Services Institute for Defence and Security Studies (RUSI)

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**WED-C8 Roundtable 1:15 pm - 2:30 pm**

*Addressing the Threat of Disinformation in UN Peacekeeping*

**Lisa Sharland**, Protecting Civilians and Human Security, Stimson Center

**Naomi Miyashita**, Mis-/Disinformation, United Nations Department of Peace Operations

**Helaina Stein**, Mis-/disinformation focal point, Office of Peacekeeping Operations, U.S. Department of State

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**WED-C9 Roundtable 1:15 pm - 2:30 pm**

*Innovating Computational Social Science for Peace and Development*

**Julia Helmes** (Chair), German Center for Research and Innovation (DWIH) New York

**Marzia Rango**, UN Operations and Crisis Centre (UNOCC)

**Martin Waehlisch**, Department of Political and Peacebuilding Affairs (UN DPPA), Policy and Mediation Division

**Ingmar Weber**, Saarland University

**Branca Panic**, AI for Peace, New York University

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**WED-C10 Book Roundtable 1:15 pm - 2:30 pm**

*The Personal Data Collection Risks in a Post-Vaccine World: The Ethics of Personal Data Collection in International Relations* (Anthem Press, 2023)

**Colette Mazzucelli** (Author), LEAD IMPACT

**James Felton Keith** (Author), University of Georgia

**C. Ann Hollifield** (Author), University of Georgia

**Colette Mazzucelli** (Chair), LEAD IMPACT

**Andrea Adams**, Faculty, LEAD IMPACT Inc.

**Christian Rossi**, University of Cagliari

**Jasmine Lee**, Researcher, IORG

**Joshua Cooper**, International Training Center for Teaching Peace and Human Rights

**Leslie Prosy**, Manager, LEAD IMPACT Inc.
WED-C11 Panel 1:15 pm - 2:30 pm
Climate Governance

Franz Baumann (Chair), ACUNS Vice President and former UN Special Adviser on Environment and Peace Operations
Sebastian Haug (Discussant), German Institute of Development and Sustainability (IDOS)

Climate Change and the Unsustainability of the Global Development Model
Louis Marie Ndome Edoa, Universidade Metodista de São Paulo

Climate change, human rights, and peace: A human rights approach to climate change and the contributions of the Global South
Roberta Silva Machado, Faculdades de Campinas - FACAMP

Gender & Climate Security: Critical insights for Impact and Effectiveness
Jessica Smith, Georgetown University

Coffee Break: 2:30 pm - 2:45 pm

Plenary I: 2:45 pm - 4:00 pm, June 21, Carlucci Auditorium

New Agenda for Peace: AU and EU Perspectives
Sponsored by the Dag Hammarskjold Foundation and the Challenges Forum, Sweden

Several key Ambassadors and thought-leaders have confirmed their participation in person on this plenary.
Names/countries TBA

Reception: Location and Time TBA
THURSDAY, JUNE 22, 2023

Check-in and continental breakfast: 7:30 am - 8:00 am*

*Make sure to allow time to pass through security. The U.S. Institute of Peace is a government building. Please bring your ID.

THU-A SESSIONS: 8:00 AM - 9:15 AM THURSDAY, JUNE 22

THU-A1 Panel 8:00 am – 9:15 am
New Data for Better Policy

Inken von Borzyskowski (Chair), University College London
Susanna Campbell (Discussant), American University

Introducing the Peace and Security Data Hub
Ayham Al Maleh, United Nations

Introducing New Data on UN Special Political Mission Mandates (UNSPMM)
Wakako Maekawa, Osaka University

Open Source Data in UN Peacekeeping
Avishan Bodjnoud, UN Department of Peace Operations
Kseniya Oksamytna, City University of London

New data for tracking peace processes: presenting the expansions of the PA-X peace agreements data and the PA-X peace process tracker
Sanja Badanjak, University of Edinburgh

UN Peacekeeping and CPAS: An Experiment in Performance Assessment and Mission Planning
Daniel Forti, International Crisis Group

THU-A2 Global Policy Dialogue 8:00 am – 9:15 am
New Agenda for Peace: Global Policy Dialogue on Reconstructing the Peace & Security Architecture

Elizabeth Hume (Co-Chair), Alliance for Peacebuilding
Maria Joao Rodrigues (Co-Chair), Foundation for European Progressive Studies

Franz Baumann, ACUNS Vice-President and former UN Assistant Secretary-General
Musa Soko, Youth Partnership for Peace and Development and Civil Society and Statebuilding Platform
Alice Odingo, University of Nairobi and ACUNS Vice-President
THU-A3 Roundtable 8:00 am – 9:15 am
Religions, Beliefs, and Human Rights: A “Faith for Rights” Approach

Michael Wiener (Chair), United Nations
Palwasha Kakar, U.S. Institute of Peace
Nazila Ghanea, UN Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion or belief
Deepika Singh, Religions for Peace
David Fernández Puyana, University for Peace
Ibrahim Salama, United Nations

THU-A4 Panel 8:00 am – 9:15 am
The Long View: Resilience and Adaptation

Alistair Edgar (Chair), Balsillie School of International Affairs, Wilfrid Laurier University
Silvia Danielak (Discussant), Georgetown University

Making, Keeping, Building Peace and non-military threats to security: lessons from the pandemic
Swadesh Rana, Former Chief of Conventional Arms Branch, Office of Disarmament Affairs, United Nations
Alistair Edgar, Balsillie School of International Affairs, Wilfrid Laurier University

The UN Amid the COVID-19 Pandemic: Impact on the General Assembly, Security Council, Secretariat and Disarmament machinery
Tsutomu Tom Kono, Senior Political Affairs Officer, Office of Disarmament Affairs, United Nations

COVID-19, Populist nationalism, and the SDGs: UN System Institutional Resilience and Adaptation?
Roger Coate, Georgia College & State University

Power Transitions and Global Peace: The Long Historical View
Kendall Stiles, Brigham Young University

THU-A5 Roundtable 8:00 am – 9:15 am
Reforming the Security Council and Other Organs of the United Nations

Charlotte Ku (Chair), Texas A&M University
Sukehiro Hasegawa, Global Peacebuilding Center of Japan
Yasuhiro Ueki, Sophia University
Richard Ponzo, Stimson Center
Michael Ambuehl, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich
Takahiro Shinyo, Kwansei Gakuin University
Tadanori Inomata, Nagasaki University
THU-A6 Panel 8:00 am – 9:15 am
Unexplored Approaches of UN Studies and Global Governance

Ikuyo Hasuo (Chair), Osaka University, School of International Public Policy
Courtney B. Smith (Discussant), Seton Hall University

Asako Mashima, Nihon University

Audience and Legitimation Strategy in Global Governance: In the case of Japanese policy adopting the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights
Masatoshi Takeuchi, Tōyō Gakuen University

Takehiko Uemura, Yokohama City University

Is the system of UN sanctions effective for global governance or world government?
Mariko Shoji, Keiai University

THU-A7 Panel 8:00 am – 9:15 am
Refugees and Climate Change

Alice Oluoko-Odingo (Chair), Nairobi University
Daniel Naujoks (Discussant), Columbia University

Development Assistance Strategy in response to climate change and global warming; Case study: Migration in Islamic Republic of Iran
Javid Rostami, UNICEF - University of Tehran
Arash Asadpaski, Hooman Architecture Group

The relevance of the Responsibility to Protect (R2P) to tackling Sexual and Gender-Based Violence (SGBV) against refugees and asylum-seekers
Tatiana Morais, CEDIS

Japan is opening its doors to refugees at last
Saburo Takizawa, Toyo Eiwa University

Building transorganizational partnerships beyond intergovernmental organizations (IGOs): Transformation of Global Refugee Governance
Sho Akahoshi, Kobe University

THU-A8 Roundtable 8:00 am – 9:15 am
Role of Civil Society: Organization in Accelerating Progress on SDGs
Parth Bhatt (Chair), UN Framework Convention on Climate Change Youth Constituency
Aislinn, ECB Sustainable Youth Foundation
Kuhu Naidu, ECB Sustainable Youth Foundation
Falit Sijariya, Studomatrix

THU-A9 Roundtable 8:00 am – 9:15 am
Armed Conflict & Crisis in and Around Ukraine: International Reactions and Perspectives

Heather Ashby (Chair), U.S. Institute of Peace
Chiara Pierobon, University of Washington, Seattle, USA
Joanna Dyduch, Jagiellonian University, Kraków, Poland
Magdalena Góra, Jagiellonian University, Kraków, Poland
Georgios Kostakos, Foundation for Global Governance and Sustainability (FOGGS), Belgium
Panagiota Manoli, University of the Peloponnesse, Tripoli, Greece
Viljar Veebel, Baltic Defence College, Tartu, Estonia

THU-A10 Panel 8:00 am – 9:15 am
The United Nations and Human Rights

Marisa Almeida Araújo (Chair), Lusiada University
Roni Kay O'Dell (Discussant), Seton Hill University

Ryan Glauser, University of Michigan

Analyzing the Relationship between UN Peace Operations and the Human Rights Situation in Host Countries
Claudia Pfeifer Cruz, Stockholm International Peace Research Institute

Evaluating UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres' Support for Human Rights: An Exploration of His Tweets During His First Term
Carlos Yordan, Drew University

Olutomiwa Binuyo, South African-German Centre for Development Research

THU-A11 Panel 8:00 am – 9:15 am
International Courts/Law and Human Rights

Antony Arend (Chair), Georgetown University
Julia Lieb (Discussant), Leipzig University

Two wrongs to make it right: Calling on ICJ to intercede in state-sponsored intersectional abuse.
Rami Elhusseini, American University of Beirut
UN-Backed Hybrid Courts as the Path Forward
Ahan Gadkari, Jindal Global Law School
Parth Bhatt, ECB Sustainable Youth Foundation
International Legal System: A Hurdle in Preventing Genocides?
Khushboo Chauhan, O.P. Jindal Global University
Non-State Actors and International Law: Harnessing international law for peace through direct regulation of key collective non-state entities
Klara Polackova Van der Ploeg, University of Nottingham

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THU-A12 Roundtable 8:00 am – 9:15 am
Peace, Earth Trusteeship and Governance for the Future
Alyn Ware (Chair), World Future Council, Parliamentarians for Nuclear Non-proliferation and Disarmament
Maria Fernanda Espinosa, President of the 73 UN General Assembly, and Global Women’s Leaders: Voices for Change and Inclusion
Vanda Proskova, Youth Fusion
Nudhara Yusuf, Stimson Center
Emilie Gaillard, Normandy Chair for Peace

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THU-A13 Roundtable 8:00 am – 9:15 am
Operationalising the Action for Peace Initiative with Strategic Communications and Information Operations in UN Peacekeeping Missions
Janie Desjardins (Chair), UN peace operations expert
Saleem Ahmad Khan, Grameen Communications
James Wood, Massey University
Mathieu Proulx, Sergeant at Parliamentary Protective Service

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THU-A14 Book Roundtable 8:00 am – 9:15 am
The “Third” United Nations: How a Knowledge Ecology Helps the UN Think (Oxford University Press, 2021)
Tatiana Carayannis (Author), Social Science Research Council
Thomas G. Weiss (Author), Graduate Center, City University of New York
Victoria Holt (Chair), John Sloan Dickey Center for International Understanding, Dartmouth College
Susanna Campbell, American University
THU-A15 Panel 8:00 am – 9:15 am
Connected Approaches to Peace and Sustainable Development
Sponsored by the Korean Academic Council on the UN System (KACUNS)

Taekyoon Kim (Chair), Seoul National University

Hanah Zoo (Discussant), Hallym University
Jiyoung Hong (Discussant) Korea Eximbank
Sujung Nam (Discussant) Yonsei University

An analysis of factors affecting teachers' decision to teach or not to teach Global Citizenship in Schools
Hwanbo Park, Chungnam National University

Common or Differentiated Responsibility in Sustainable Development: From the Perspective of the Global South
Bo Kyung Kim, Seoul National University
Yeri Shim, Seoul National University

Negotiating the Targets and Indicators that Measure Achievement of the UN's Sustainable Development Goals
Roni Kay O'Dell, Seton Hill University

Coffee Break: 9:15 - 09:30 am

THU-B SESSIONS: 9:30 AM - 10:45 AM THURSDAY, JUNE 22

THU-B1 Panel 9:30 am - 10:45 am
Multilateral Peace Architecture

Paul Williams (Chair), George Washington University
Alynya Lyon (Discussant), University of New Hampshire

Peace and Security Webs in the Current Conflict Environment
Chester Crocker, Georgetown University
Fen Hampson, Carleton University
Pamela Aall, U.S. Institute of Peace

The forms and means of EU and African Union partnership in crisis response and peacekeeping: an exemplary inter-regional security cooperation in pursuit of collective security

Csaba Törö, Karoli Gaspar University of the Reformed Church in Hungary

Agenda for Action: Re-thinking Conflict Prevention in an Era of Multipolarity

Anca Agachi, Imran Bayoumi, Peter Engelke, Atlantic Council

The Middle East Peace System

Ariel Ahram, Virginia Tech

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THU-B2 Global Policy Dialogue 9:30 am - 10:45 am

Peacebuilding Architecture Innovation: Global Policy Dialogue on Reconstructing the Peace & Security Architecture

Erin McCandless (Co-Chair), University of Witwatersrand

Cedric de Coning (Co-Chair), NUPI

Tijjani Muhammad-Bande (invited)

Henk-Jan Brinkman, International Development Law Organization (invited)

Susanna Campbell, American University

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THU-B3 Panel 9:30 am - 10:45 am

United Nations Forces for Global Crises

Ronald Sievert (Chair), Bush School of Government and Public Service, Texas A&M University

Charlotte Ku (Discussant), School of Law, Texas A&M University

UN Peace Force

H. Peter Langille, Sustainable Common Security

Civilian Protection Force

Ian Johnstone, Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University

An Army of Humanity to Fight Crimes Against Humanity: The History and Future of the Proposal to Create a Permanent, Directly-Recruited, All-Volunteer United Nations Peace Force

Tad Daley, Citizens for Global Solutions

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THU-B4 Roundtable 9:30 am - 10:45 am

Insights from the Climate Governance Commission: Governing Our Climate Future

Maja Groff (Chair), Climate Governance Commission

Adriana Abdenur, Plataforma CIPO
THU-B5 Panel 9:30 am - 10:45 am
Development, Universality, and Social Protection

Samuel Appiah-Kubi (Chair), Ghana Baptist University College
Stephen Browne (Discussant), University of Geneva

Universality and the United Nations development system
Sebastian Haug, Max-Otto Baumann, IDOS (German Institute of Development and Sustainability)

A Critical Appraisal of Social Protection Measures in Selected ECOWAS Member States in the Post-Covid Era
Olutomiwa Binuyo, South African-German Centre for Development Research
Adebayo Abati, Olabisi Onabanjo University
Oluwaferanmi Afolabi, University of Ibadan

How Africa Can Use Impact Entrepreneurship for Sustainable Development and Economic Growth
Karikari Amoa-Gyarteng, University of Johannesburg
Samuel Appiah-Kubi, Ghana Baptist University College

Process Matters in Global Development
Beth Fascitelli, University of Massachusetts Boston

THU-B6 Roundtable 9:30 am - 10:45 am
Research Practice and the Risks of being informants in fragile states

Tatiana Carayannis (Chair), Social Science Research Council

Yvan Yenda Ilunga, Salve Regina University
Lisa Sharland, Stimson Center
Fiifi Edu-Afful, The Kofi Annan International Peacekeeping Training Centre (KAIPTC)

THU-B7 Panel 9:30 am - 10:45 am
Lawfulness: A Roadmap for Societal Peace through Social Inclusion and Educational Curriculum

Sanjeev Sahni (Chair), O. P. Jindal Global University
Vesselin Popovski (Discussant), O. P. Jindal Global University

Advocating Lawfulness in Educational Curriculum for Promoting Positive Mental Health of the Society
Sanjeev Sahni, O. P. Jindal Global University

Promoting Mindfulness Based Training: Towards Instilling values of Lawfulness in Youth
Mohita Junnarkar, O. P. Jindal Global University

Facilitating Social Inclusion of Victims of Commercial Sexual Exploitation through Integrated Rehabilitation Services

Vipin Vijay Nair, O. P. Jindal Global University

Bridging the Gap between Law in Books and Law in Practice: Lawfulness, Gender Equality, and Combating Rape Culture in Pursuit of SDGs

Garima Jain, O. P. Jindal Global University

Framework for an Inclusive Humanitarian Education concept

Renata Juliotti, Methodist University of Sao Paulo

THU-B8 Roundtable 9:30 am - 10:45 am

How Can a Just Transition Foster Peaceful Societies in Africa?

Ebenaezer Appies (Chair), Trade and Industry Policy Strategies, South Africa

Hlengiwe Radebe, World Wildlife Foundation
Azola Zulu, Tshikululu Social Investments
Thendo Mafame, Universitat de Barcelona
Seutame Maimele, Trade and Industry Policy Strategies
George Baffour Awuah, Nelson Mandela School of Public Governance, University of Cape Town

THU-B9 Roundtable 9:30 am - 10:45 am

Unprecedented, Unfunded, Unacceptable and Irreplaceable: United Nations Peacekeeping at 75

Alistair Edgar (Chair), Wilfrid Laurier University
Alynna Lyon (Discussant), University of New Hampshire

Cedric de Coning, Norwegian Institute of International Affairs
Audrey L. Comstock, Arizona State University
Brian Drohan, U.S. Military Academy – West Point
Adekeye Adebajo, Centre for the Advancement of Scholarship (CAS), University of Pretoria, South Africa
Muznah Siddiqui, Stimson Center

THU-B10 Panel 9:30 am - 10:45 am

UN Peace Processes and Local Participation

Sarah von Billerbeck (Chair), University of Reading
Lydie Christelle Belporo (Discussant), Université de Montréal

Local Knowledges in International Peacebuilding: Acquisition, Filtering, and Systematic Bias

Sarah von Billerbeck, University of Reading
Katelyn Cassin, University of Ottawa

Building Peace While Benefiting from Conflict: Examining the Host-Government’s Influence on UN Peacekeeping Operations in Civil Wars

Tiril Rahn, University of Oxford

Building a positive environment for local participation in peace: Lessons from peacebuilding in Afghanistan

Seyed Ali Hosseini, Balsillie School of International Affairs

The Delicate Art of Integrated Peacekeeping: Awkward Relations of MINUSCA and MINUSMA with Host Governments

Philippe Guillot, French Air and Space Force Academy

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THU-B11 Roundtable 9:30 am - 10:45 am
Strengthening Consent in UN Peacekeeping

Julie Gregory (Chair), Stimson Center, Protecting Civilians and Human Security Program

Adam Day, United Nations University, Centre for Policy Research
Ilhan Dahir, Stimson Center, Protecting Civilians and Human Security Program
Martine Kessy Ekomo-Soignet, URU and Peace & Development Watch [based in the Central African Republic]; Peace Direct
Sharon Wiharta, UN Department of Peace Operations, Policy, Evaluation and Training Division

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THU-B12 Roundtable 9:30 am - 10:45 am
Meet the Parties: How to Enhance UN Engagement with Non-State Actors

Marlene Spoerri (Chair), Independent Diplomat

Attaye Ag Mohammed, CMA Delegation to Comité de Suivi de l’Accord (CSA)
Summer Ahmed, Southern Transitional Council
Habib Ullah, Arakan Rohingya National Organization
Matthew Edbrooke, Permanent Mission of Liechtenstein to the United Nations

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THU-B13 Roundtable 9:30 am - 10:45 am
Peace Prospects in the Russia-Ukraine War

Tapio Kanninen (Chair), City University of New York

Cilene Victor, Universidade Metodista (UMESP), Brazil
Lise Howard, ACUNS President, Georgetown University, and U.S. Institute of Peace
Paola Bettelli, The International Institute for Sustainable Development, Canada
John Torpey, City University of New York
Kseniya Oksamytina, City University of London
Holmes Lecture: 11:00 am - 12:00 pm, June 22, Carlucci Auditorium
Jean-Pierre Lacroix, United Nations Under-Secretary-General for Peace Operations

Buffet Lunch 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm, USIP Great Hall

THU-C SESSIONS: 1:15 PM - 2:30 PM THURSDAY, JUNE 22

THU-C1 Global Policy Dialogue 1:15 pm - 2:30 pm
UN Security Council Reform: Global Policy Dialogue on Reconstructing the Peace & Security Architecture

Karin Landgren, (Co-Chair) Security Council Report (invited)
Sultan Barakat, (Co-Chair) Hamad Bin Khalifa University and Global Institute for Strategic Research

Vesselin Popovski, Jindal Law School
Richard Gowan, International Crisis Group (invited)
Anjali Dayal, US Institute of Peace and Fordham University

THU-C2 Roundtable 1:15 pm - 2:30 pm
Enhancing the Effectiveness of African-led peace operations. Lessons from the studies undertaken by the Effectiveness of Peace Operations Network (EPON)

Cedric De Coning (Chair), Norwegian Institute of International Affairs (NUPI)
Birame Diop (Special Guest) Head, Office of Military Affairs, United Nations Department of Peace Operations

Linda Darkwa, Training for Peace Programme, Ethiopia
Fiifi Edu-Affal, Kofi Annan International Peacekeeping Training Centre
Andrew E Yaw Tchie, Norwegian Institute of International Affairs (NUPI)
Paul Williams, George Washington University
THU-C3 Panel 1:15 pm - 2:30 pm
Reversing Inequalities

Clare Castillejo (Chair) Overseas Development Institute
Fatima Nasser (Discussant) The American University of Beirut

Strengthening the International Monetary Fund for the 21st Century
Augusto Lopez-Claros, Global Governance Forum

Why not peace and development, IBSA Fund? Convincing the IBSA Fund about the value of South-South cooperation on the peace and development agenda
Patricia Nogueira Rinaldi, FACAMP - Faculdades de Campinas

Integrating Natural Resources Governance in Sustaining Peace
Stanislas Bigirimana, Africa University

THU-C4 Panel 1:15 pm - 2:30 pm
UN, Europe, and Asia: Networks of Influence

Gabriel Amvane (Chair) Office Français de Protection des Réfugiés et Apatrides,
Tiril Rahn (Discussant) University of Oxford

The UN and regional prevention networks in Europe and Asia
Frank Mattheis, United Nations University Institute on Comparative Regional Integration Studies (UNU-CRIS)
Guy Banim United Nations University Institute on Comparative Regional Integration Studies (UNU-CRIS)
Jamie Pring, United Nations University Institute on Comparative Regional Integration Studies (UNU-CRIS)

Sustaining peace from a multilateral perspective: view from Indonesia and ASEAN
Ratih Adiputri, University of Jyväskylä, Finland

Who Keeps the Peace? Reconceptualizing Peacebuilding through Networks of Influence and Support
Alex Bruens, University of Arizona
Jessica Braithwaite, University of Arizona
Susanna Campbell, American University

United Nations’ stance on terrorism-related incidents: Through the lens of personalized attacks on essential workers in South Asian countries
Ratna Patel, International Institute for Population Sciences, Mumbai, India

THU-C5 Panel 1:15 pm - 2:30 pm
Civil War, Protecting Civilians, and Building Peace

Daniel Forti (Chair), International Crisis Group
Sandra Tombe (Discussant), U.S. Institute of Peace
Understanding Persistent Interventions in Civil Wars
Sevdenur Koru, Temple University

Pathways to sustaining peace: Identifying institutional patterns of peacebuilding success
Julia Leib, Leipzig University

State sovereignty and governmental authority - two halves but not always whole, in light of protection of civilians
Tamer Morris, University of Sydney

Social Identity and Agential Lenses for Sustaining Positive Peace in all Cycles of Conflict
Tuba Turan, University of Essex, United Kingdom

THU-C6 Roundtable 1:15 pm - 2:30 pm
Religious Freedom and Its Relevance to the Peacebuilding Mission of the United Nations

Thomas Walsh (Chair), Universal Peace Federation
William Lay (Discussant), University of Bridgeport
Thomas Ward, Unification Theological Seminary
Jan Figel, Former European Commissioner and Special Envoy for the Promotion of Religious Freedom (invited)
Sakeena Yacoobi, Afghan Institute of Learning (invited)

THU-C7 Panel 1:15 pm - 2:30 pm
International Treaties - Making, Breaking, Enforcing

Charlotte Ku (Chair), Texas A&M University
Alexandra Harrington (Discussant), Lancaster University Law School

The Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons: Updates and Relationship to the NPT
Jean Krasno, City College of New York
Elisabeth Szeli, Austrian Foreign Ministry

Disability, Inclusion and Peace - A cognitive perspective study conducted in North India
Vibha Sharma, Bhavya Rehabilitation Center, New Delhi, India
Ajay Singh, Gwinnett Public School System

Economic Boycotts and WTO Law: Peace and Security
Bashar Malkawi, University of Arizona

Still a ‘mutual praise society”? The African Group at the Universal Periodic Review of the UN Human Rights Council
Eduard Jordaan, Rhodes University
THU-C8 Roundtable 1:15 pm - 2:30 pm
International civil servants for life: The Peacemaking Reflection Group (PRG) and the Russia-Ukraine War

Georgios Kostakos (Chair), Foundation for Global Governance and Sustainability (FOGGS)

Francis O'Donnell, Institute of International & European Affairs and School of Civic Education (Moscow)
Paola Bettelli, Foundation for Global Governance and Sustainability (FOGGS)
Neal Walker, Eckerd College
Gary Slutkin, Cure Violence Global
Michael Heyn, UNDP, UN Special Coordinator for Emergency Relief Operations (Liberia), UN Special Delegate (Kosovo)

THU-C9 Panel 1:15 pm - 2:30 pm
Governance, the United Nations, and Leadership

Aigul Kulnazarova (Chair), Tama University School of Global Studies
Inken von Borzyskowski (Discussant), University College London

Collective Delegitimation as a Normative Function of the United Nations: Assessing UN Responses to Unconstitutional Changes of Government
Christian Pippan, University of Graz

How populist leaders affect public confidence in International Organizations?: A quasi-experimental approach
Rennan Pastich, Federal University of Pernambuco
Alan Cavalcanti, Federal University of Pernambuco

Encounters for inner development in governance: moving from ruling to holding
Vivianna Rodriguez Carreon, University of Sydney

The Secretary-General’s LGBTIQ+ Dilemma
Ariel Mekler, Graduate Center, City University of New York

THU-C10 Roundtable 1:15 pm - 2:30 pm
Advancing Inclusive Governance to Sustain Peace: Dilemmas, Risks, and Opportunities in Fragile States

Timothy D. Sisk (Chair), University of Denver

Suzanne Ghais, American University
Naysan Adlparvar, UNDP
Alina Rocha Menocal, Overseas Development Institute
Fletcher Cox, Uppsala University
THU-C11 Roundtable 1:15 pm - 2:30 pm
The Best of All Possible Worlds? An Israel-Palestinian (Jordanian?) Confederation as a Feasible Alternative for the Two-State or One-State Solution?

Arie Kacowicz (Chair), Georgetown University
Discussants TBA

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THU-C12 Roundtable 1:15 pm - 2:30 pm

Joris Larik (Chair), Leiden University
Roger Coate, Georgia College
Peter Hoffman, New School for Social Research
Muznah Siddiqui, Stimson Center
Nisha Krishnan, World Resources Institute, Africa
Aisha Jamal Al-Ammari, Qatar University School of Law
Edna Ramirez Robles, University of Guadalajara School of Law

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THU-C13 Roundtable 1:15 pm - 2:30 pm
Sustaining Peace in Complex Political Contexts: Perspectives from Peace and Development Advisors

Sanna Tasala (Chair), Programme Manager, Joint Programme UNDP-DPPA

Tatiana Carayannis, Conflict Prevention and Peace Forum and Social Science Research Council
Patrick McCarthy, Peace and Development Adviser, The Gambia
Fifatin Grace Kpohazounde, United Nations, Côte d’Ivoire
Dilrukshi Fonseka, Regional Peace and Development Adviser, Asia Pacific

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Coffee Break: 2:30 pm - 2:45 pm

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Global Policy Dialogue: 2:45 pm – 3:25 pm
Working Group Report-Backs and Discussion, Carlucci Auditorium

Richard Ponzio (Chair), Stimson Center

Rapporteurs:
Alice Odingo, University of Nairobi and Vice-President, ACUNS, on the New Agenda for Peace
Susanna Campbell, American University, on Peacebuilding Architecture Innovation
Anjali Dayal, Senior Scholar in Residence, USIP, and Associate Professor, Fordham University, on UN Security Council Reform
Discussants:
Maria Joao Rodrigues, Foundation for European Progressive Studies
Thomas Weiss, City University of New York Graduate Center

Plenary II: 3:30 pm - 4:45 pm, June 22, Carlucci Auditorium
Reconstructing the Global Peace and Security Architecture

Several key Permanent Representatives to the United Nations have confirmed their participation in person on this plenary.
Names/countries TBA

Reception 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm Great Hall

FRIDAY, JUNE 23, 2023
ACUNS Member-Board Meeting Online 9:30 am - 10:30 am

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