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Welcome

Dear Colleagues,

Welcome! We look forward to your participation in the *Missing Peace Symposium*. Over the next three days, Symposium attendees will connect with colleagues to facilitate new research, policies and practices that help better define this field of study. Our hope is that we will all leave the symposium with new ideas and new energy to focus towards preventing sexual violence in conflict and post-conflict settings and helping survivors.

The coming together of this symposium is the product of a collaborative effort of many. A special word of thanks is due to our colleagues and advisors—Dr. Gary Barker, Ms. Veronica Isala Eragu Bichetero, Dr. Jelke Boesten and Dr. Dara Kay Cohen. Over the past 18 months, we have planned the symposium through weekly conference calls from Berkeley, D.C., Boston, London, Oslo and Kampala.

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In this book you will find the agenda and bios of guest speakers and panelists—including bios of the Young Scholars participating in the symposium. You will also find logistical information to help you navigate the conference. If you have any further questions do not hesitate to ask our staff and volunteers—identified by red scarves.

A final word of appreciation is due to our core staff—Ms. Nicoletta Barbera, Ms. Masha Keller, Ms. Shannon Zimmerman, and Ms. Anne Angarola. Their enthusiasm and dedication has been remarkable.

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Transportation from the Melrose Hotel to US Institute of Peace
The symposium will provide morning and evening bus transportation to and from the U.S. Institute of Peace (USIP). Buses will begin running at 7:15 am, and return buses will begin around 6:00 pm in the evenings on Thursday and Friday and 2:30 pm on Saturday.

Security
Upon arrival at USIP, you will be required to go through a magnetometer. You will need to send all of your belongings through an X-Ray machine. To make security move faster, please avoid bringing large bags, suitcases, or laptops to the Symposium. Please be prepared that if you bring a laptop, you will be required to turn it on for security purposes. You must have a photo ID to get through security.

Registration
Registration will be located to your left as you enter USIP. You will receive a Symposium badge that will be your entry pass each day. Please bring this badge every day of the conference and wear it at all times. Panelists – Please check in at the panelist’s check-in table 30 minutes prior to your panel in order to receive your microphone and be taken to the stage.

Staff and Volunteers
For questions, turn to staff and volunteers—they are identified by red scarves.

Navigating the Symposium

Information (Leland Atrium)
An information table is located on the second floor (Leland Atrium) across from Carlucci Auditorium. The attendant will have conference information and basic information about Washington D.C. In addition, please feel free to approach symposium staff and volunteers if you have any questions. They will be recognizable by their red scarves.

Carlucci Auditorium (Room C150)
Carlucci Auditorium is the primary location of the Symposium. There is one entrance to the auditorium on the second floor on Leland Terrace and another located on the first floor, off of the Great Hall.

Leland Terrace (Second Floor)
Leland Terrace a space for participants, panelists, and Young Scholars to relax, interact, and discuss issues raised during the course of the Symposium. The Terrace is located down the stairs from registration and will have refreshments available at all times during the conference.

Coat Check (Room 202)
An attended coat check is available for guest use off of Leland Terrace, across from the entrance to Carlucci auditorium. USIP is not responsible for any belongings left in the coat check.

Internet Hub (Room B215)
There will be four laptops with internet access available for Symposium attendee use. Due to the limited number of computers, we ask that attendees be considerate of others when using the internet. Accessing the Internet remotely – For Symposium attendees wishing to access the wifi network at USIP simply select USIP guest in wifi settings and accept the USIP terms and agreements. This should allow you to access the wifi network.
Great Hall (South Atrium 103)  
The Great Hall is where lunches and the two receptions will take place. It is located on the first floor, down the stairs from Leland Terrace.

Young Scholar’s Poster Presentations (the arcade off of Leland Atrium)  
Poster presentations of several of the Young Scholars’ research will be on display off of Leland Atrium under the arcade. Please take a few moments during the breaks to view our Young Scholars’ innovative work and ask them about their research.

Kathwari Amphitheatre (Room B205)  
Kathwari Amphitheatre is the overflow site for people who are unable to find seating in Carlucci Auditorium or for people who are unable to remain for an entire panel. The Amphitheatre is located on Leland Terrace across from Carlucci Auditorium under the arcade.

Panelist Green Room (Peacelinks classroom)  
The Green Room has been set aside for panelists to prepare before their panel. All panelists should check in at the panelist's desk at registration no less than 30 minutes before their scheduled panel time. From there, panelists will be escorted to the green room to go over logistics with their moderator and to get their lavaliere microphones. The Green Room is located off of the Great Hall, under the portico to the right.

Art and Video

Photo Exhibit  
A photo exhibit by PROOF: Media for Social Justice will be on display throughout USIP all three days of the Symposium. Please take a moment to take in the photos and read the testimonials.

Videotaping Crew  
During the Symposium, you may notice or be approached by a videotaping crew from ArtWorks. This crew is gathering footage for a short video about sexual violence in conflict. Panelists will be asked to sign a release at registration on the first day of the conference and select other symposium attendees may be asked for interviews. Participation in videotaping is voluntary. Please let the staff at registration know if you do not wish to be videotaped.

Resources

theHive (Room B214)  
theHive is the World Bank’s knowledge platform on fragility, conflict, and violence. It provides both an online and face-to-face communication platform for the community of practice working on these issues. During the Symposium, theHive will be active and World Bank staff members will be on hand to offer demonstrations.

Twitter  
The Symposium’s conversation continues on Twitter with #missingpeace.

Press

Press Desk  
If you are a member of the press, please check in at the press desk located at registration on the third floor.
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Sexual violence in conflict and post-conflict settings is increasingly recognized as a threat to international peace and security. From conflicts in the Balkans to the Democratic Republic of Congo and from East Timor to Guatemala, state and non-state armed actors have used sexual violence against women, men, and children to intimidate and to terrorize populations, and as a means of displacing people from contested territory, destroying communities, and silencing victims. Even after these wars have ended, sexual violence often does not—which, in turn, undermines reconstruction efforts and the transition to more stable, secure, and peaceful societies.

Despite the increased international recognition of the serious impact that sexual violence in conflict and post-conflict poses to security and peace, initiatives to prevent or mitigate these violent acts continue to fall short. Even with the adoption of UN Security Council resolutions and important rulings in international criminal courts, existing international interventions may lack an integrated understanding of the causes for sexual violence and its implications for societies at large.

The United States Institute of Peace (USIP), the Human Rights Center at the University of California, Berkeley, the Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO), and the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute North America (SIPRI North America) have convened a group of scholars, policymakers, practitioners, and military and civil society actors to examine the issue of sexual violence in conflict and post-conflict settings, identify gaps in knowledge and reporting, and explore how to increase the effectiveness of current responses to such violence.

The goals of this three-day global symposium are to:

- Take stock of current sexual and gender-based violence policies and programming lessons of national governments, civil society organizations, and international organizations;
- Exchange information among researchers, policy makers, and practitioners about the latest research efforts related to causes, scope and patterns of sexual violence;
- Strengthen the community of knowledge and practice beyond disciplinary and state boundaries;
- Identify how to improve research and documentation capacity and new areas for research and policy action.

It is the explicit aim of the global symposium to include findings from the latest academic research, as well as insights from practitioners working in conflict and post-conflict situations, including civil society actors, the military, and police. The symposium will also launch the Young Scholar network—aimed at supporting PhD candidates and recently minted PhDs in their research and the dissemination of research results to the practitioner and policy communities.
Agenda

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Thursday- February 14, 2013

7:30 am  Registration, Coffee and Tea

8:30 am  Welcome
Dr. Kathleen Kuehnast
Director, Center for Gender and Peacebuilding, U.S. Institute of Peace

Introduction
Mr. Jim Marshall
President, U.S. Institute of Peace

8:45 am  Keynote Address
Ambassador Melanne Verveer
Director, Georgetown Institute for Women, Peace and Security

9:20 am  Keynote Address
Ms. Zainab Hawa Bangura
Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict

10:10 am  Break

10:40 am  Panel One: International Responses to Sexual Violence
- Dr. Kelly Askin, Open Society Justice Initiative, USA
- Dr. Robert C. Egnell, Georgetown University, USA
- Prof. Karen Engle, University of Texas, USA
- Dr. Gina Heathcote, University of London, United Kingdom
- Ms. Emma Wade, British Embassy of Washington D.C., USA

Moderators: Dr. Chantal de Jonge Oudraat, SIPRI North America, USA
Dr. Kathleen Kuehnast, Center for Gender and Peacebuilding, U.S. Institute of Peace, USA

12:30 pm  Luncheon, Great Hall
Sponsored by Instituto Promundo, Sonke Gender Justice Network, and the United Nations Population Fund

12:55 pm  Remarks
Dr. Gary Barker, Promundo-US
Ms. Leyla Sharafi, United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)
Mr. Tim Shand, Sonke Gender Justice Network
Mr. Tamba David Makieu, National Movement for Emancipation and Progress

1:20 pm  Conclusion of Luncheon
Return to Carlucci Auditorium to view MenCare Rwanda Film
1:45 pm  **Panel Two: National Responses to Sexual Violence**
- Dr. Anne-Marie De Brouwer, Tilburg University, The Netherlands
- Ms. Jehan Deng, Minister of Health and Environment for Jonglei State, South Sudan
- Ms. Julissa Mantilla LL.M., International Advisor on Gender and Transitional Justice, Colombia
- Mr. Jean Nimubona, CARE, Burundi
- Mr. Emilio Ovuga, University of Gulu, Uganda
- Mr. Mohammad Shahabi, Peace Training and Research Organization, Afghanistan
- Mrs. Hossai Wardak, U.S. Institute of Peace, USA

Moderators: Dr. Gary Barker, Promundo-US, USA
Dr. Jelke Boesten, University of Leeds, United Kingdom

3:30 pm  Break

4:00 pm  Introduction
**Dr. Kristin Lord**
Executive Vice President, U.S. Institute of Peace

4:10 pm  Keynote Address, *Violence Against Women: The Continuum*
**Nobel Laureate Jody Williams**
Chair, Nobel Women's Initiative & Co-chair, International Campaign to Stop Rape & Gender Violence in Conflict

4:45 pm  Reception, Great Hall
Sponsored by the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Introduction
**Dr. Inger Skjelsbæk**
Senior Researcher and Deputy Director, Peace Research Institute Oslo

Welcome
**Dr. Kristian Berg Harpviken**
Director, Peace Research Institute Oslo

Remarks
**Ms. Lajla Brandt Jakhelln**
Deputy Chief of Mission, Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

6:00 pm  *Buses begin returning participants to hotel*
Friday- February 15, 2013

7:30 am  Coffee & Tea

8:30 am  Keynote Address
Dr. Octaviano Canuto dos Santos Filho
Vice President and Head of Poverty Reduction and Economic Management Network, The World Bank

8:30 am  Panel Three: Perpetrating Sexual Violence
- Dr. Maria Eriksson Baaz, University of Gothenburg, Sweden
- Mr. Hassan Bility, Global Justice and Research Center, Liberia
- Dr. Dara Kay Cohen, Harvard University, USA
- Dr. Martina Ruf-Leuschner, vivo and University of Konstanz, Germany
- Dr. Laura Sjoberg, University of Florida, USA
- Dr. Elisabeth Wood, Yale University, USA

Moderators: Dr. Inger Skjelsbæk, Peace Research Institute Oslo, Norway
Ms. Kim Thuy Seelinger J.D., Human Rights Center, University of California-Berkeley, USA

10:30 am  Break

11:00 am  Panel Four: Surviving Sexual Violence
- Dr. Chris Dolan, Makerere University, Uganda
- Ms. Veronica Eragu Bichetero, EDG Venture Consult, Uganda
- Dr. Margaret Makanyengo, Kenyatta National Hospital, Kenya
- Ms. Francine Nabintu, Heal Africa, Democratic Republic of Congo
- Dr. Rocío Silva Santisteban, Coordinadora Nacional de Derechos Humanos, Peru
- Ms. Marijana Senjak, Medica Zenica, Bosnia

Moderators: Ms. Kim Thuy Seelinger J.D., Human Rights Center, University of California-Berkeley, USA
Dr. Inger Skjelsbæk, Peace Research Institute Oslo, Norway

12:45 pm  Luncheon, Great Hall
Sponsored by Creative Associates International, Inc.

Introduction
Dr. Chantal de Jonge Oudraat
Executive Director, SIPRI North America

Remarks
Ms. Jessica Kruvant
Director of External Relations, Creative Associates International, Inc.

1:45 p.m.  Conclusion of Luncheon
2:00 pm  **Panel Five: Security from Sexual Violence**
- Ms. Suzan Aref, Women Empowerment Organization, Iraq
- Dr. Carol Cohn, Consortium on Gender, Security and Human Rights, USA
- Col. Birame Diop, Partners Senegal: Center for Change & Conflict Management, Senegal
- Amb. Liberata Mulamula, Office of the President of Tanzania, Tanzania
- H.E Ms. Rebecca Okwaci, Ministry of General Education and Instruction, South Sudan
- Ms. Gina Torry, Conflict-Related Sexual Violence Expert, Mediation Support Unit, United Nations Department of Political Affairs, USA

Moderators: Dr. Jelke Boesten, University of Leeds, United Kingdom
Dr. Chantal de Jonge Oudraat, SIPRI North America, USA

3:30 pm  Break

4:00 pm  Introduction, Carlucci Auditorium
**Ms. Kim Thuy Seelinger J.D.**
Program Director, Human Rights Center, University of California-Berkeley

Keynote Address, *Lubanga: Shifting Paradigms of Humanitarian Law*
**Ms. Patricia Sellers**
Special Advisor on International Criminal Law Prosecution Strategies
International Criminal Court, The Netherlands

4:45 pm  Reception, Great Hall
Sponsored by the Peace Research Endowment (PRE)

Introduction
**Dr. Inger Skjelsbæk**
Peace Research Institute Oslo

Remarks
**Mr. Joe R. Reeder**
Chairman, Peace Research Endowment Board of Directors

6:00 pm  *Buses begin returning participants to hotel*
7:30 am  Coffee & Tea

8:30 am  **Panel Six: Methodological Challenges and Opportunities**
- Mr. Xabier Agirre, ICC Office of the Prosecutor, Netherlands
- Dr. Mary Ellsberg, Global Women's Institute, George Washington University, USA
- Dr. Amelia Hoover Green, Drexel University, USA
- Dr. Lynn Lawry, Initiative in Global Women's Health Brigham and Women's Hospital/Harvard Medical, USA
- Dr. Ragnhild Nordås, Peace Research Institute Oslo, Norway
- Mr. S. Matthew Steamer, Board of Directors/Principal Investigator, WomanStats Database, USA.
- Dr. Shana Swiss, Women’s Rights International, USA

Moderators:  Dr. Dara Kay Cohen, Harvard University, USA
Dr. Kathleen Kuehnast, Center for Gender and Peacebuilding,
U.S. Institute of Peace, USA

10:30 am  Break

11:00 am  **Panel Seven: Concluding Roundtable Discussion: The Way Forward**
- Dr. Claudia Garcia Moreno, World Health Organization, Switzerland
- Amb. Pernille Dahler Kardel, Danish Ambassador to Egypt, Egypt
- Ms. Pia Peeters, The World Bank – Nairobi, Kenya
- Ms. Kim Thuy Seelinger J.D., HRC, University of California-Berkeley, USA
- Dr. Maria Emma Will, Centro de Memoria Histórica, Colombia
- Mr. Innocent Balemba Zahinda, Office of the Special Representative on Sexual Violence on Sexual Violence in Conflict, USA

Moderator: Dr. Kathleen Kuehnast, Center for Gender and Peacebuilding,
U.S. Institute of Peace, USA
Dr. Chantal de Jonge Oudraat, SIPRI North America, USA

1:00 pm  Closing Luncheon, Great Hall

1:40 pm  Keynote Speaker, Great Hall
**Ambassador Donald Steinberg**
Deputy Administrator, U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID)

2:30 pm  Conclusion of the Missing Peace Symposium 2013

2:30 pm  * Buses begin returning participants to hotel *

**Closed Special Program for Participants of the Young Scholar Network**

2:30 pm  Young Scholars Network Workshop

5:30 pm  Symposium Ends for Young Scholars
Zainab Hawa Bangura was appointed Special Representative on Sexual Violence in Conflict at the level of Under-Secretary-General by United Nations Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon in 2012. Bangura was previously the Minister of Health and Sanitation for the Government of Sierra Leone. She has over 20 years of policy, diplomatic, and practical experience in the field of governance, conflict resolution, and reconciliation in Africa. Bangura has also served in her home country as the second female Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, including Chief Adviser and Spokesperson of the President on bilateral and international issues. She has been instrumental in developing national programs on affordable health, advocating for the elimination of genital mutilation, managing the country’s Peacebuilding Commission, and contributing to the multilateral and bilateral relations with the international community. She has experience working with rebel groups, and State and non-State actors relevant to issues of sexual violence, while fighting corruption and impunity. Bangura has on-the-ground experience with peacekeeping operations from within the United Nations Mission in Liberia (UNMIL), where she was responsible for the management of the largest civilian component of the Mission, including promoting capacity-building of government institutions and community reconciliation. She is an experienced results-driven civil society, human and women’s rights campaigner, and democracy activist, notably as Executive Director of the National Accountability Groups, Chair and Co-founder of the Movement for Progress Party of Sierra Leone, as well as Coordinator and Co-founder of the Campaign for Good Governance.

Otaviano Canuto is Vice President and Head of the Poverty Reduction and Economic Management (PREM) Network, a division of more than 700 economists and public sector specialists working on economic policy advice, technical assistance, and lending for reducing poverty in the World Bank’s client countries. He took up his position in May 2009, after serving as the Vice President for Countries at the Inter-American Development Bank since June 2007. Canuto provides strategic leadership and direction on economic policy formulation in the area of growth and poverty, debt, trade, gender, and public sector management and governance. He is involved in managing the Bank’s overall interactions with key partner institutions including the IMF and others. He has lectured and written widely on economic growth, financial crisis management, and regional development, with recent work on financial crisis and economic growth in Latin America. He speaks Portuguese, English, French and Spanish.
Kristian Berg Harpviken is the Director of the International Peace Research Institute, Oslo (PRIO). He is a sociologist from the University of Oslo. His doctoral dissertation focuses on the micro-foundations of forced migration, applying a network perspective on the study of decision-making, impacts on the home community, and repatriation. Harpviken has also worked on civil society, transnationalism, political mobilization as well as a variety of issues related to post-war reconstruction and peacebuilding. Harpviken has published 16 academic articles and a number of reports and press commentaries, in addition to being widely used as a media commentator and as a lecturer. He is the leader of the working group on Transnational and International Facets of Civil War within PRIO's Centre for the Study of Civil War.

Lajla Jakhelln is the current Deputy Chief of Mission at Royal Norwegian Embassy in Washington DC. Previously, she was the Deputy Director General, Head section of Climate Change, Global Health and Sustainable Development. For the past several years, Jakhelln has held several positions relating to gender. She has served as the Assistant Director General in charge of the Section for Global Initiatives and Gender Equality and was an Assistant Director General for the Section for International Development, where she focused on gender equality, migration and anti-corruption. From 2009-2011, she was the Deputy Director General, Head Section for Global Initiatives and Gender Equality. Jakhelln completed a Cand.philol. in 1993 (Comparative Literature, Political Philosophy and Political Science). She has been with Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs since 1993.

Jessica Kruvant directs Creative’s external engagement in support of Creative’s international development mission with the U.S. government, strategic coalitions, the private sector, and opinion makers. Kruvant is a seasoned development professional with over fifteen years of experience managing the implementation of education, civil society, and defense projects throughout Africa, Latin America, the Middle East, and Washington, D.C. Previously, Kruvant managed Creative’s Center for Stabilization and Development, which was created to identify and fill gaps arising from the critical intersections of stabilization and development. Kruvant’s work in conflict and post-conflict environments includes large and small grants programs administration; NGO capacity development; and implementation of an interactive Accelerated Learning toolkit for educators in conflict, The Creative Way Exploration Series. Additionally, Kruvant was the lead organizer of several symposia designed to shape dialogue around the concepts of Stability, Security, Transition, and Reconstruction initiatives from a practitioner’s perspective, including: “Stability Operations and Development In a New A Era: Making the Whole of Government Approach Work” (2009); “Stabilization and Reconstruction: Closing the Civilian-Military Gap” (2006); and “The Challenge of Civilian Management in Conflict and Post-Conflict Societies: The Lugar-Biden Initiative” (2004). Kruvant has presented and written on the subject of the nexus between development and security at the United Nations Peace Operations and the Law Symposium (2007) and has been published in the Journal of International Peace Operations.
Dr. Kristin Lord, Executive Vice President, U.S. Institute of Peace, USA

Kristin Lord is Executive Vice President of USIP where she serves as the Institute’s second-ranking officer and helps lead the Institute's internal management team, oversee substantive programs, and manage growth. Dr. Lord is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations (CFR) and is on the Board at the Center for a New American Security (CNAS). Lord comes to USIP from CNAS where she was Executive Vice President and Director of Studies (2009-2013). While there, she authored reports on cyber security, grand strategy, and public diplomacy. Previously, Lord was a Fellow in the Foreign Policy Studies Program and Saban Center for Middle East Policy at The Brookings Institution where she directed the science and technology initiative of the Project on U.S. Relations with the Islamic World. Lord has served as a CFR International Affairs Fellow and Special Adviser to the Under Secretary of State for Democracy and Global Affairs. Lord has held various roles at The George Washington University's Elliott School of International Affairs, including Associate Dean for Strategy, Research, and External Relations and Associate Dean for Management and Planning. She received her M.A. and Ph.D. in Government from Georgetown University and her B.A. in International Studies from American University.

Mr. David Tamba Makieu, Executive Director, Men Engage Africa Alliance, Sierra Leone

Tamba David Mackieiu is the Executive Director of Men Engage Africa Alliance - Sierra Leone Network and Manager of the United Nations Trust fund Men’s Association for Gender Equality (MAGE SL). He worked with Christian Children’s Funds Sierra Leone (CCF SL) as a Child Protection Officer. At UNHCR, he was a consultant on Sexual and Gender Based Violence (SGBV) in the Liberian Refugee Camps of Sierra Leone. Mackieiu's expertise is in engaging men and boys in a post-conflict setting, non-violent gender transformation work for gender equality, protection and empowerment of women, child protection, disarmament and demobilization, and psychosocial welfare programs in war affected communities and those impacted by natural disasters. In June 2002, UNHCR awarded him the Ruud Lubbers Certificate of Appreciation for the promotion of gender equality and empowerment of refugee women in the Guinea (Conakry) camps. He holds Bachelor's Degree from the Institute of Education at the University of Sierra Leone.

Mr. Jim Marshall, President, U.S. Institute of Peace, USA

Jim Marshall is a former law professor, member of the U.S. Army Ranger Hall of Fame, and former mayor of Macon, Georgia. In Congress, Marshall earned a reputation as a moderate Democrat with strong ties to both sides of the aisle. He now serves on the board of the National Futures Association. Marshall taught at Princeton University during 2011 and, until he accepted the USIP presidency, was scheduled to teach at Georgetown University this fall. Marshall served four terms in Congress, from 2003 to 2011, where he built and maintained strong bipartisan relationships. He served on the Armed Services, Agriculture, and Financial Services Committees. He also chaired the Air Force Caucus, the Financial Markets Caucus, and the Balanced Budget Caucus, as well as West Point’s Board of Visitors. As mayor of Macon, Marshall managed 17 departments, two airports, and 1,300-plus employees from 1995 to 1999. During that time, he was elected to the Advisory Board of the U.S. Conference of Mayors and co-chaired the National Conference of Democratic Mayors.
Joe R. Reeder's distinguished career spans private law practice and public service. A shareholder of Greenberg, Traurig LLP, one of the largest US law firms, his practice, largely international, covers commercial litigation, government contracts, national security, legal ethics and professional liability, securities litigation, and regulatory investigations. As the 14th Undersecretary of the US Army (1993–1997), he was responsible for long-range planning, readiness, acquisition reform, infrastructure reduction, and financial management; and for military support to local, state and federal agencies relating to civilian law enforcement, disaster relief, and emergency planning. He also served as the Army's focal point for international affairs, particularly for NATO, Panama and Latin America. As Chairman of the Panama Canal Commission’s Board of Directors he oversaw a multibillion-dollar infrastructure program. A frequent contributor to professional journals, Reeder serves on a number of public and private boards, including the International Advisory Board of the Panama Canal and a number of charities. He chairs the Ethics Committee of the Board of Governors of the National Defense Industry Association, holds degrees from Georgetown University (LL.M.), the University of Texas (J.D.), and West Point, and served in the 82nd Airborne Division. In 2004, Reeder was honored with the Theodor Herzl Award in Jerusalem.

Patricia Sellers is a visiting fellow at the Kellogg College of the University of Oxford, and a renowned lawyer and legal consultant in international human rights law, international criminal law, and humanitarian law. She was recently appointed by the International Criminal Court Special Advisor on International Criminal Law Prosecution Strategies. Sellers previously served as a Special Legal Consultant to the Gender and Women’s Rights Division of the U.N.’s High Commissioner for Human Rights. As the Legal Advisor for Gender related crimes, she developed the legal strategies that led to the successful prosecutions of rape as a war crime, sexual violence as an act of genocide, and rape as torture. For over 13 years, Sellers was the Legal Advisor for Gender Related Crimes and Senior Acting Trial Attorney in the Office of the Prosecutor for the International Criminal Tribunals for the former Yugoslavia and Rwanda. In that capacity, she advised teams of investigators and trial attorneys on the prosecution of sex-based crimes under the tribunals' statutes and pertinent doctrines of humanitarian law. Prior to her work as an international prosecutor, Sellers has also worked at the Directorate General for External Relations at the European Commission, the Ford Foundation in Rio de Janeiro, and the Philadelphia Defender Association. In 2006, Sellers was awarded an Honorary PhD in Law from the City University of New York. She is the recipient of the Prominent Women in International Law Award given by the American Society of International Law, the Ron Brown Memorial Award for International Law given by the National Bar Association, and the Martin Luther King Award from the Rutgers School of Law.

Tim Shand is the International Programmes Unit Manager for Sonke Gender Justice, based in Cape Town, South Africa. He works with Sonke’s partners within the MenEngage network to scale-up interventions in Africa which engage men in promoting gender equality, and preventing HIV and gender-based violence. Prior to Sonke, Shand was based in London with the International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF), before which he worked with the WHO in Geneva. Shand holds a Master’s degree in Public Health from the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, is currently pursuing a PhD at University College London, and is an honorary lecturer at the University of Cape Town.
Ms. Layla Sharafi, Technical Specialist in Gender, United Nations Population Fund, USA

Leyla Sharafi is a Technical Specialist in the area of gender issues at the UN Population Fund’s Technical Division, based at the organization’s headquarters in New York City. In this capacity, Sharafi is responsible for various initiatives globally including on the issue of male involvement and engaging men and boys in gender equality. Prior to joining UNFPA, she worked on women’s economic empowerment programmes at the UN Development Fund for Women. Sharafi has a bachelor’s degree in political science as well as communication and a master’s degree in International Affairs from the New School for Social Research. Prior to joining the United Nations, Sharafi worked in the media sector as a journalist and editor for a number of years. She has spoken on and contributed to publications on gender and development issues.

Ambassador Donald Steinberg, Deputy Administrator, U.S. Agency for International Development, USA

Donald Steinberg serves as deputy administrator at USAID, providing overall direction and management for the Agency. His areas of focus include the Middle East and Africa; reforms under USAID Forward and the Quadrennial Diplomacy and Development Review; integration and mainstreaming of gender and disabilities into Agency programming; and enhanced dialogue with development partners, including civil society, business, foreign donors, international institutions, Congress, and other U.S. Government agencies. Steinberg previously served as deputy president for policy at the International Crisis Group, a nonprofit seeking to prevent, contain and resolve deadly conflict. He also served as a Randolph Jennings senior fellow at the U.S. Institute of Peace, where he advocated for the world’s 25 million internally displaced persons. During his nearly 30 years with the government, Steinberg served as director of the State Department’s Joint Policy Council, White House deputy press secretary, National Security Council senior director for African affairs, special Haiti coordinator, U.S. Ambassador to Angola, and the president’s special representative for humanitarian demining. He served as officer-in-charge at the U.S. Embassy in Pretoria, South Africa, during the country’s transition from apartheid to democracy, as well as postings in Mauritius, Brazil, Malaysia and the Central African Republic. Steinberg has published more than 100 articles on foreign policy, African developments, gender issues, post-conflict reconstruction, children and armed conflict, and disarmament. His honors include the Presidential Meritorious Honor Award, the Frasure Award for International Peace, the Hunt Award for Women in Policy Formulation, the Pulitzer Traveling Fellowship, the State Department Distinguished Service Award, and six State Department Superior Honor Awards.
Melanne Verveer was appointed Ambassador-at-Large for Global Women’s Issues by President Obama in 2009. In her capacity as director of the Department of State’s new office on Global Women’s Issues, Verveer coordinated foreign policy issues and activities relating to the political, economic, and social advancement of women around the world. She mobilized concrete support for women’s rights and political and economic empowerment through initiatives and programs designed to increase women’s and girl’s access to education and health care, to combat violence against women and girls in all its forms, and to ensure that women’s rights are fully integrated with human rights in the development of U.S. foreign policy. Verveer became the first Director for the new Georgetown Institute for Women, Peace and Security on February 11th, 2013. Verveer most recently served as Chair and Co-CEO of Vital Voices Global Partnership, an international nonprofit she co-founded. Vital Voices invests in emerging women leaders and works to expand women’s roles in generating economic opportunity, promoting political participation, and safeguarding human rights. Prior to her work with Vital Voices, Verveer served as Assistant to the President and Chief of Staff to the First Lady in the Clinton Administration and was chief assistant to then-First Lady Hillary Clinton in all her wide-ranging international activities to advance women’s rights and further social development, democracy, and peace-building initiatives. She also led the effort to establish the President’s Interagency Council on Women. Prior to her time in the White House, Verveer served in a number of leadership roles in public policy organizations and as legislative staff. She holds bachelor’s and master’s degrees from Georgetown University. She is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations, Women’s Foreign Policy Group, and numerous other organizations.

Nobel Laureate Jody Williams, Chair, Nobel Women’s Initiatives and Co-chair, International Campaign to Stop Rape & Gender Violence in Conflict, Switzerland

In 1997, Jody Williams became the tenth woman to receive the Nobel Peace Prize. She was honored for her role as the founding coordinator (1991-1998) of the International Campaign to Ban Landmines (ICBL), co-recipient of the 1997 Nobel Peace Prize. Williams oversaw the growth of the ICBL from two NGOs in 1991 to a global network comprised of 1,300 organizations in 95 countries working to eliminate antipersonnel landmines. In January 2006, she established the Nobel Women’s Initiative together with five of her sister Nobel Peace laureates Shirin Ebadi of Iran, Wangari Maathai of Kenya, Rigoberta Menchú Tum of Guatemala, and Betty Williams and Mairead Corrigan Maguire of Ireland. The Nobel women came together to use their access and influence to support the work of women around the world working for sustainable peace with justice and equality. In 2012, Nobel Peace laureates Leymah Gbowee from Liberia and Tawakkol Karman from Yemen joined the Nobel Women’s Initiative. In May 2012, the Nobel Women’s Initiative and other NGOs established the International Campaign to Stop Rape & Gender Violence in Conflict. Her new memoir on life as a grassroots activist, My Name is Jody Williams: A Vermont Girl’s Winding Path to the Nobel Peace Prize, will be released by the University of California Press in March 2013. Williams holds a Master’s Degree in International Relations from the Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies, a Master’s Degree in Teaching Spanish and ESL from the School for International Training, Vermont, and a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Vermont. Prior to her work with the ICBL, Williams worked for eleven years to raise awareness about U.S. policy toward Central America. She developed and directed humanitarian relief projects as the deputy director of the Los Angeles-based organization Medical Aid for El Salvador and was co-coordinator of the Nicaragua-Honduras Education Project, leading fact-finding delegations to the region. Williams continues to be recognized for her contributions to human rights and global security. She is the recipient of fifteen honorary degrees, among other recognitions. In 2004, Williams was named by Forbes Magazine as one of the 100 most powerful women in the world.
### Panelists

**Mr. Xabier Agirre Aranburu, Senior Analyst, ICC Office of the Prosecutor, The Netherlands**

Xabier Agirre Aranburu is a senior analyst at the Office of the Prosecutor (OTP) of the International Criminal Court (ICC) in The Hague. Previously, he worked as an analyst at the OTP of the UN International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia (ICTY) from 1997-2004, on different humanitarian projects in the former Yugoslavia from 1992-1994, and as legal advisor on military issues between 1992-1993. For the last fifteen years, he has worked in the investigation of international crimes, including war crimes, crimes against humanity, and genocide. His work has centered on sexual violence offences, as well as the training of investigators, prosecutors, and judges around the world with the ICC, different UN agencies, International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), and a number of universities and NGOs. Agirre Aranburu graduated in Law from the University of the Basque Country, (Spain), and subsequently with a Master’s in Peace Studies from the University of Notre Dame. He was a visiting professor at the Washington School of Law of the American University in 2009, Agirre Aranburu is currently pursuing a PhD in Criminal Law at the University of Leiden, The Netherlands. In 2009, he received the Distinguished Alumni Award of the Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies at the University of Notre Dame.

**Ms. Suzan Aref, Founder, Women Empowerment Organization, Iraq**

Suzan Aref is the Founder and Director of Women Empowerment Organization (WEO) in Erbil, Iraq, which she founded in 2004, to focus on the expansion of opportunities for women. She also serves as Iraq Advisor for the Global Fund for Women. Previously, she served as the advisor to the Equality and Sustainable Development departments in the Kurdistan regional government Office of the Prime Minister. Her interest and experience has focused on organizational development, capacity building, and activities that strengthen disadvantaged groups, in particular women. Aref has conducted capacity building training for religious leaders to reduce violence against women, and established a business center to support start-ups in developing business plans and obtaining microfinance loans. She was awarded an honorary gift by the Ministry of Human Rights-Kurdistan for her efforts in the area of human and women’s rights. Aref has completed the executive program at Harvard University’s Kennedy School of Government in Private Enterprise Development.

**Dr. Kelly Askin, Senior Legal Officer, Open Society Justice Initiative, USA**

Kelly Dawn Askin, is a senior legal officer for International Justice in the Open Society Justice Initiative. Previously, she was the Fulbright New Century Scholar on the Global Empowerment of Women for 2004-2005. For almost 20 years, Askin has taught or served as a visiting scholar at Notre Dame Law School, American University’s Washington College of Law, Harvard’s Kennedy School of Government, Yale Law School, and Oxford University. From 1999-2003, she served as executive director of the International Criminal Justice Institute and American University’s War Crimes Research Office. She has served as a legal advisor to the judges of the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia (ICTY) and for Rwanda (ICTR), and for over fifteen years has also served as an expert consultant, legal advisor, or international law trainer to prosecutors, judges, and registry at the ICTY, the ICTR, the Serious Crimes Unit in East Timor, the International Criminal Court (ICC), the Special Court for Sierra Leone, and the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia. She also works on efforts to prosecute international crimes in domestic courts, including a mobile gender justice court in eastern Democratic Republic of Congo. In 2005, she was awarded the prestigious Prominent Women in International Law award by the American Society of

Dr. Maria Eriksson Baaz, Researcher, University of Gothenburg, Sweden

Maria Eriksson Baaz is a researcher with the Peace and Development Research Group within the School of Global Studies at the University of Gothenburg, Sweden. Her work includes research into issues of gender and war; masculinity and militarism; gender and defense and police reform in post conflict contexts; postcolonial theory; and diaspora studies, with focus on the African Diaspora. She is currently conducting research into sexuality and HIV/AIDS among soldiers and combatants in the Democratic Republic of Congo. Baaz received her PhD in Peace and Development Research from the University of Gothenburg, and her Master’s in Development Studies from the University of Gothenburg and the University of Lund, Sweden.

Dr. Gary Barker, International Director, Promundo – US, USA

Gary Barker is International Director of Instituto Promundo, a Brazilian-based NGO that works locally and internationally to promote gender equality and end violence against women, children, and youth. He has coordinated research and program development on engaging men and boys in gender equality in Africa, Latin America, and Asia, and served as a consultant to the World Bank, World Health Organization (WHO), United States Agency for Development (USAID), The Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS), United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF), United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), and the government of Brazil. Barker holds a PhD in Child Development from Loyola University, Chicago, and a Master’s Degree in Public Policy from Duke University.

Ms. Veronica Isala Eragu Bichetero, Director, EDG Venture Consult, Uganda

Veronica Isala Eragu Bichetero is a senior consultant and director of EDG Venture Consult, Kampala, Uganda. She is also a lawyer and an advocate of the Courts of Judicature of Uganda and is involved in a range of issues on women’s rights, children’s rights, vulnerable persons’ rights, conflict resolution, and peacebuilding in Africa. Eragu combines her legal work with her role at the World Bank as Gender and Conflict Advisor, in the Learning on Gender in Conflict Affected Areas in Africa (LOGICA) Trust Fund. She is also a consultant in human rights, governance, and rule of law for the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the International Development Law Organization (IDLO). Eragu received her Law Diploma from Makerere University, Kampala. From 2011-12, Eragu served as a Jennings Randolph Senior Fellow at the U.S. Institute of Peace (USIP). Her project focused on promoting women’s participation in conflict resolution and peacebuilding in the Great Lakes Region. Her experience at the negotiation table and peacemaking forum dates back to 1985 when she contributed at the government of Sierra Leone and the Revolutionary United Front as the UNICEF representative, advocating for the early release of women and children. From 2006, she was involved in the Juba peace process between the government of Uganda and the Lord’s Resistance Army, first as a representative of the Human Rights Commission and later at the mediation table providing technical expertise and advice. Eragu has worked in Juba supporting the government of Southern Sudan on post-conflict issues, especially the empowerment of women and human rights.
Hassan Bility is a prominent Liberian journalist and human rights activist. He was the Editor in Chief of the Analyst Newspaper under the regime of Charles Taylor, and was arrested because of his writing and savagely tortured upon Taylor’s orders. He testified in several trials, including the RUF and Charles Taylor trials, at the Special Court for Sierra Leone, and the Chuckie Taylor trial in the United States. For years, Bility has been working with Liberian victims of the war, and in 2012, he set up the Justice and Research Project in Monrovia in order to document atrocities against civilians during the two civil wars in Liberia (1989-1996 and 1999-2003). Bility has received several awards including the Press Union of Liberia Best Journalist of the Year Award in 2002, Amnesty International's Human Rights Journalism under Threat Award in 2003, and the Freedom and Human Rights Courage Award in Philadelphia in 2004.

Jelke Boesten is a senior lecturer for social development and human security at the School of Politics and International Studies at the University of Leeds. Her research generally focuses on issues related to gender and social policy, health, the politics of aid, and transitional justice. In 2011-12, Boesten was a Jennings Randolph Senior Fellow at the U.S. Institute of Peace. Her research for an upcoming book focuses on understanding the meanings of sexual violence at the interface of war and peace in the case of the Peruvian conflict of 1980-1995. The research illustrates how the use of gendered political violence is reflected in 'private' and peacetime violence. The case study is situated in and compared to other cases of gender and state violence in Latin American and rape in war globally. Boesten received her PhD from the University of Amsterdam.

Dara Kay Cohen is an assistant professor of public policy at the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University. Her research and teaching interests span the field of international relations, including international security, civil war and the dynamics of violence during conflict, and gender and international relations. Her current book project examines the variation in the use of sexual violence during recent civil conflicts; the research for the book draws on fieldwork in Sierra Leone, East Timor, and El Salvador, where she interviewed more than 200 ex-combatants and noncombatants. Cohen graduated with an A.B. in Political Science and philosophy with honors from Brown University in 2001 and her PhD in Political Science from Stanford University in 2010. Prior to joining the Kennedy School, she was an assistant professor at the Humphrey School of Public Affairs at the University of Minnesota. In 2011, Cohen was awarded the American Political Science Association's Award for Best Dissertation in Women and Politics. She also served as a paralegal in the Outstanding Scholars Program in the Counterterrorism Section of the U.S. Department of Justice from 2001-2003.

Carol Cohn is the founding director of the Consortium on Gender, Security and Human Rights, professor of Women's Studies at the University of Massachusetts Boston, and visiting professor at the UN University for Peace. She has published widely in the field of gender and security, with a focus on gender and peacekeeping, gender mainstreaming in international security institutions, gender integration issues in the US military, the gender dimensions of weapons of mass destruction discourse, and the ongoing efforts to implement UNSCR 1325 at both international and grassroots levels. Her most recent publication is a textbook, Women and Wars, published by Polity Press.
Anne-Marie de Brouwer is an Associate Professor in international criminal law at the Department of Criminal Law and a research fellow with the International Victimology Institute Tilburg both at Tilburg University, the Netherlands. She is also the co-founder and chair of the Mukomeze Foundation, which aims to improve the lives of women and girls who survived sexual violence during the Rwandan genocide. Previously, she was an associate legal officer at the Women’s Initiatives for Gender Justice in The Hague. Her main areas of research and interest include international crimes, international criminal law and procedure, victims’ rights, victimology, sexual violence and transitional justice. De Brouwer is the author of the book “Supranational Criminal Prosecution of Sexual Violence: The ICC and the Practice of the ICTY and the ICTR (Oxford – Antwerp: Intersentia, 2005)”, for which she received the Max van der Stoel Human Rights Award 2006. She also co-edited the book “The Men Who Killed Me: Rwandan Survivors of Sexual Violence (Douglas & McIntyre, 2009)”, which features seventeen testimonials and photos of survivors of sexual violence. She has published numerous articles in the abovementioned fields of interest, and co-edited several collections of essays in this field, including “Victimological Approaches to International Crimes: Africa (Intersentia, 2011)” and “Sexual Violence as an International Crime: Interdisciplinary Approaches (Intersentia, 2013)”. During the symposium, she will speak about the potential of the gacaca courts in Rwanda to contribute to justice and reconciliation for survivors of sexual violence.

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Jehan Deng was appointed Minister of Health and Environment for Jonglei State in South Sudan in June 2012. Previously, she supervised the process of South Sudan Referendum registration and voting in Washington DC, which created the Republic of South Sudan on July 9, 2011. She then worked at the Government of South Sudan’s Embassy in Washington, DC. From 2007 to 2011, Deng participated in the establishment of the Government of Southern Sudan (GOSS) Mission to the U.S., where she worked in various capacities. She was a member of the Board of Directors of the South Sudan Women Empowerment Network (SSWEN) which advocates for gender balance and women empowerment through public fora and discussions of their rights in the Transitional Constitution of the Republic of South Sudan. Upon immigrating to the U.S. in 1999, she became the office manager for the SPLM representative in the United States. In 1998, she participated in the first SPLM Women Convention in New Cush, Southern Sudan, representing an International Students’ political body in India, and advocating for gender balance and human rights within the New Sudan.
Birame Diop is a scholar and practitioner in the field of security in West Africa and serves as director of Partners Senegal: Center for Change & Conflict Management, where he helps to strengthen the collaboration between civil society organizations and the security sector on fighting gender based violence. He is also responsible for organizing workshops to train military personnel on UN resolution 1325. Diop designed and is managing the Guinea Citizen Security Project with funding from the National Endowment for Democracy (NED). Diop is seconded from the Senegalese Air Force where he served as an adviser to the chief of staff. In 2009, he served as a Reagan-Fascell Democracy fellow with NED and a public policy scholar with the Woodrow Wilson Center for International Scholars. His research is focused on reforming Africa’s armed forces. He has sought to bridge the civil-military divide by hosting seminars on the role of military in society, as well as how the military and civilian populations in West Africa can cooperate. He possesses more than 30 years of military experience.

Dr. Chris Dolan, Program Director, Makerere University, Uganda

Chris Dolan is director of the Refugee Law Project (RLP), an autonomous community outreach project of the Faculty of Law at Makerere University. Within the RLP, alongside his duties as director, he is also the project coordinator for the organization’s work on sexual and gender-based violence & persecution, a position which brings him into regular contact with survivors of sexual violence, sexual minority groups, and refugee sex workers (male and female). Dolan received his PhD from the London School of Economics, where he focused on the war in Uganda. His 2009 book on the subject is widely regarded as one of the essential references for those interested in understanding the situation in Uganda as well as gender dynamics and masculinities in conflict and post-conflict settings. He has worked in Uganda, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Mozambique, and South Africa, where he served as a country expert for LGBT asylum cases from sub-Saharan Africa. He has also worked closely with lesbian and gay asylum seekers in the United Kingdom.

Dr. Robert Egnell, Visiting Professor and Director of Teaching, Georgetown University, USA

Robert Egnell is visiting professor and Director of Teaching at Georgetown University's Center for Security Studies. He is also the founding director of the Stockholm Center for Strategic Studies. Previous positions include being an Associate Professor at the Swedish National Defense College, a Senior Researcher at the Swedish Defense Research Agency (FOI), and an assistant lecturer at the University of Dar es Salaam, Tanzania. Robert's research currently focuses on human security and the protection of civilians in conflict and post-conflict societies. More generally his research has focused on different aspects of the conduct and effectiveness of international peace operations and post-conflict peace building. He is the author of Complex peace operations and civil-military relations: Winning the peace (Routledge, 2009), Counterinsurgency in crisis: Britain and the challenges of modern warfare (Columbia UP, forthcoming 2013), New agendas in statebuilding: Hybridity, contingency and history (Routledge, 2013), as well as a recent study on the implementation of a gender perspective in the international operations of the Swedish Armed Forces that will be published by Palgrave in the fall of 2013.

Dr. Mary Ellsberg, Program Director, The George Washington University, USA

Mary Ellsberg is the director of the George Washington University's Global Women's Institute. Before joining the university, Ellsberg served as Vice President for Research and Programs at the International Center for Research on Women. She also served as the program leader for the Program for Appropriate Technology in Health (PATH), an international, nonprofit global health organization based in Seattle. Ellsberg has more than 30 years of international development experience, and is recognized as an expert in research on violence against women. She holds a PhD in Epidemiology and Public Health from Umea University, Sweden, and a Bachelor's Degree in Latin American Studies from Yale University.
Prof. Karen Engle, Program Director, University of Texas-Austin, USA

Karen Engle directs the Bernard and Audre Rapoport Center for Human Rights and Justice at the University of Texas School of Law, which she helped found in 2004. She is also an affiliated faculty member of Latin American Studies and of Gender and Women’s Studies at the University, and is a Senior Fellow at the Robert S. Strauss Center for International Security and Law. She teaches courses in international human rights and employment discrimination, as well as specialized seminars such as ‘Publishing Legal Scholarship’ and ‘Human Rights and Justice Workshop.’ Engle received her J.D. *magna cum laude* from Harvard Law School and her undergraduate degree from Baylor University. Following law school, she served as a post-doctoral Ford Fellow in Public International Law at Harvard Law School. Prior to joining the University of Texas, she was Professor of Law at the University of Utah. Engle writes and lectures extensively on international law and human rights. Engle spent spring and summer of 2007 in Bogotá, Colombia, where she investigated and lectured on indigenous rights and Afro-Colombian rights. She was named a Fulbright Senior Specialist in Bogota in 2010.

Dr. Claudia Garcia-Moreno, Department Coordinator, World Health Organization, Switzerland

Claudia Garcia-Moreno is coordinator of the Department of Gender, Women, and Health at the World Health Organization. A physician from Mexico with a Master’s of Science in Community Medicine from the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, she has over 25 years of experience in public health spanning Africa, Latin America, and parts of Asia. For the last 15 years, Garcia-Moreno’s work has focused on women’s health and gender in health, including her responsibilities for gender and women’s health work at WHO. She has led WHO’s work on women and HIV/AIDS and on violence against women, and coordinated the WHO Multi-Country Study on Women’s Health and Domestic Violence Against Women, which encompasses over 14 countries. She has been involved in setting up several initiatives such as the Sexual Violence Research Initiative. She is on the editorial board of Reproductive Health.

Dr. Gina Heathcote, Lecturer, University of London, United Kingdom

Gina Heathcote lectures in public international law and the international law on the use of force at the School of Law, School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS) at the University of London. She teaches courses on the foundations of international law, international law and global orders, international laws on the use of force, and public international law. Heathcote received her PhD from the London School of Economics where she researched international laws governing the use of force. Her latest research approaches international justifications for the use of force through the lens of feminist interrogations of interpersonal justifications for violence. Heathcote’s research broadly covers feminist approaches to international law, collective security, and the relationship between gender, violence, and law.

Dr. Amelia Hoover Green, Assistant Professor, Drexel University, USA

Amelia Hoover Green is assistant professor in the Department of History and Politics at Drexel University and a consultant to the Human Rights Data Analysis Group at Benetech, Inc. In addition to a research focus on armed group institutions and their effects on violence against civilians, Hoover Green has written several pieces on the role of statistical evidence in human rights advocacy and international courts. Hoover completed her Ph.D. in Political Science at Yale University, where she considered variations in the types of violence that armed groups use against noncombatants, showing that political education programs can limit repertoires of violence against civilians during armed conflicts. She also holds a Bachelor’s from Swarthmore College, Pennsylvania. She has also worked with institutions including the UN Action Against Sexual Violence in Conflict as a statistical consultant. More generally, she is interested in how information, ideologies and behavioral norms are transmitted through hierarchical organizations.
**Pernille Dahler Kardel** is currently serving as Denmark's Ambassador to Egypt. In her previous post in Addis Ababa, she was Ambassador to Ethiopia, South Sudan, Sudan, and Djibouti. She simultaneously served as Copenhagen's Permanent Representative to the African Union, the Inter-Governmental Authority on Development (IGAD) and the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS). In 2010-11, Kardel held the post of co-chair of the African Union Partner Group. She was also instrumental in organizing a network of women ambassadors accredited to the African Union. This network focused on helping African women gain access to policymakers, particularly in conflict situations. Kardel was previously assigned to the Permanent Mission of Denmark to the United Nations in New York, where her field of expertise was counter terrorism. She has also served tours in Moscow and New Delhi. She joined the Danish Foreign Service in 1990. Kardel holds a Master’s Degree in Planning from Roskilde University in Denmark and a Master’s of International Public Policy from the School of Advanced International Studies, (SAIS) at Johns Hopkins University.

**Dr. Kathleen Kuehnast, Director, Center for Gender and Peacebuilding, U.S. Institute of Peace, USA**

**Kathleen Kuehnast** is the Founding director of the Center for Gender and Peacebuilding at the U.S. Institute of Peace (USIP). She is co-editor of the volume, *Women and War: Power and Protection in the 21st Century* (2011), which focuses on the gap between international commitments such as UN Resolution 1325 and the harsh realities facing women in war, as well as the critical role women play in peacebuilding efforts. As a socio-cultural anthropologist, her work examines the impact of political and economic transitions on societal gender roles, including how social networks and social capital intersect with local practices of conflict resolution. For fifteen years of her career, she worked in the international development field, primarily with the World Bank and the Asian Development Bank, where her research included such topics as conflict drivers in Central Asia; community driven development in post-conflict reconstruction; migration impacts on gender roles. Kuehnast is a recipient of the Mellon Foreign Fellowship at the Library of Congress (2000) and the Kennan Institute for Advanced Russian Studies Fellowship (1999) at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars. She lived several years in Kyrgyzstan, where she researched and wrote extensively on the impact of post-Soviet transition on Muslim women of Central Asia. Kuehnast holds a PhD in socio-cultural anthropology from the University of Minnesota.

**Dr. Lynn Lawry, Senior Health Specialist, U.S. Department of Defense, USA**

**Lynn Lawry** is the Senior Health Stability and Humanitarian Assistance Specialist in the International Health Division of the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs at the U.S. Department of Defense. Lawry is a specialist in women’s health, disaster research, and women’s health and human rights applied epidemiology. She is director of the Initiative on Global Women's Health in the Division of Women's Health, on faculty at Brigham and Women's Hospital and Harvard Medical School, an associate at John's Hopkins School of Public Health, and an associate professor at Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences. Lawry earned her medical degree at East Carolina University School of Medicine. She completed residency training in internal medicine at Brown University; served as chief resident at the VA Medical Center in Providence, Rhode Island; and completed a two-year general medicine research fellowship with Brigham and Women's Hospital and Harvard Medical School. She also completed a two-year Health and Human Rights Fellowship with Physicians for Human Rights. In her 17 years in humanitarian aid and women's health disaster research, she has been in more than a dozen complex humanitarian disasters and has researched health and human rights issues in Taliban-controlled Afghanistan, Sierra Leone, Iraq, Nigeria, Darfur, Liberia, Democratic Republic of Congo, and Hurricane Katrina communities in the United States. She is a leading expert in gender-based violence and disaster research.
Dr. Margaret Makanyengo, Program Leader, Kenyatta National Hospital, Kenya

Margaret Makanyengo is the program leader for HIV psychosocial care and support services at the Kenyatta National Hospital (KNH). She is an established consultant psychiatrist who specializes in adolescent, child and family care, and has experience in HIV/AIDS psychological care. She manages mental health services and initiated the ‘Comprehensive care for HIV/AIDS infected concept’ at the KNH. She received her Bachelor’s and Master’s in Medicine from the University of Nairobi. Makanyengo contributed to the establishment of the Comprehensive HIV/AIDS Care clinic at the KNH in December 2002, which is now the model HIV/AIDS clinic in Kenya. She was instrumental in developing the National HIV/AIDS comprehensive adult and pediatric HIV care curriculums for training health care workers in HIV management. She is currently the chairperson of the National Aids and STI Control Programme (NASCOP) subcommittee looking at psychosocial care in pediatric HIV/AIDs at NASCOP. Makanyengo currently coordinates the gender based violence (GBV) post rape care program at the KNH under the Pathfinder International program funded by USAID. In this program she has participated in training over 500 hospital staff on post rape care and gender based violence. She has redefined the clearly established role of psychiatrist’s in general medical practice and reproductive and sexual health.

Ms. Julissa Mantilla LL.M., International Advisor on Gender and Transitional Justice, Colombia

Julissa Mantilla is an international advisor on gender and transitional justice in Colombia, where she advises the Truth, Justice and Reparation Program for Women. She is also a lawyer and a professor at the Law School at the Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú. She obtained her Master’s in Law from The London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE). She received a scholarship from the World Bank and from LSE in order to accomplish her post graduate studies. Her main interests are international human rights law, gender issues, human rights of women, and the comparative study of cases of sexual violence against women, especially during armed conflict. Mantilla has served as the Peruvian Representative for the International Development Bank Delegation at the Fourth Women’s International Conference and NGO Forum, and was selected as a Junior Scholar at the Woodrow Wilson Center, based at the George Washington University. She has also worked at the Peruvian Ombudsman Office for Human Rights, researching violations of reproductive rights in Peru, especially the cases of forced sterilization against Peruvian women and she was part of the legal team of the Peruvian Truth and Reconciliation Commission (CVR). In addition, as a gender consultant, she was in charge of incorporating a gender perspective through all the work of the CVR. Mantilla has also been a consultant for the High Commissioner for Human Rights in Colombia and the Women and Armed Conflict Board, developing techniques of documenting cases on violence against women.

Ambassador Liberata Mulama, Senior Advisor, Office of the President of Tanzania, Tanzania

Liberata Mulama is the senior advisor to the President of the Republic of Tanzania. She previously worked as the Executive Secretary of the Secretariat of the International Conference of the Great Lakes Region (ICGLR), which seeks to build durable peace and stability in the region. Mulama joined the Foreign Service in 1981 as Third Secretary in the Legal and Multi-Lateral Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Her early experience in Foreign Service included participation in all meetings of the United Nations General Assembly in New York as a delegate from Tanzania held annually from September to December. She has also served on the country’s permanent mission to the UN in New York as the Ambassador’s Advisor in Political Affairs and Decolonization issues. She has been a member of the UN Organisation de l’Unite Africaine (OAU) Expert Group on the Denuclearization of Africa leading to the Treaty of Pelindaba. Mulama has participated in the Rwandese peace talks in Arusha as part of the facilitators team; attended UNITAR training workshop on conflict resolution and management, Vienna, Austria; and also served as Special Assistant to the Permanent Secretary of the Tanzania Ministry of Foreign Affairs. During this period she was also a part-time lecturer on the ‘Art of Negotiations’ at the Centre for Foreign Relations, Dar-el-Salaam. She also served at the Tanzania High Commission to Canada as Minister Plenipotentiary and Head of Chancery from 2002 to 2003, returning home after being appointed Ambassador and Director of Multi-Lateral Cooperation.

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Ms. Francine Nabintu, Gender Advisor Assistant, HEAL Africa, Democratic Republic of Congo

Francine Nabintu is a gender and communication specialist who worked with HEAL Africa as a Gender Advisor Assistant from August 2011 to November 2012, where she trained staff on integrating gender into their daily work, trained community leaders on gender equity, and conducted research on gender equity in beneficiary communities. She is now coordinating a HEAL Africa project focusing on engaging young men to fight against sexual and gender-based violence. In addition, she writes and shares Congolese stories with people around the world through her blog (http://www.francongostories.blogspot.com/) and her world pulse page (http://worldpulse.com/user/13318).

Mr. Jean Nimubona, Gender Advisor, CARE, Burundi

Jean Nimubona is the gender and diversity advisor for Cooperative and Relief Assistance Everywhere (CARE), Burundi. Nimubona manages the MenEngage Initiative of CARE Burundi, which engages men and boys in the empowerment of women and girls in shared decision making within the household and in the community; sexual and reproductive health; and women’s access to economic opportunities. MenEngage also encourages socio-cultural practices and beliefs to promote gender and equity, as well as conflict resolution, advocacy for changing and enforcing laws and policies in favor of women. Nimubona began his career in 1993 working with poor farming families. He discovered that efforts to develop these families had limited impact when there was violence in the household. In 2004, he joined CARE, working in gender mainstreaming in a livelihoods project. Nimubona had the opportunity to discover how norms and practices of masculinity hinder economic development in households. As Gender and Diversity Advisor in CARE BURUNDI since 2007, he set up a small group of change agents who have experienced profound change in their lives influencing their attitudes and behaviors positively. The small group grew to become the Abatangamuco movement, which works against detrimental gender taboos in families and communities.

Dr. Ragnhild Nordås, Senior Researcher, Peace Research Institute Oslo, Norway

Ragnhild Nordås is a senior researcher at the Centre for the Study of Civil War at the Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO). Her primary research interest is political violence, the effects of religion in particular and identity politics in general. She also has a research interest in the security implications of climate change. Nordås holds a PhD and a Master’s in Political Science from the Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU). Her doctoral dissertation focused on the relationship between religion and intrastate conflict. In addition to this, she is a recipient of an M.A. student fellowship from PRIO, PhD funding from the Centre for the Study of Civil war (CSCW), a Predoctoral Fellowship from the Belfer Center at Harvard Kennedy School, and has been a visiting fellow at the Kroc Institute, University of Notre Dame 2010-11.

H.E. Ms. Rebecca Joshua Okwaci, Deputy Minister for General Education and Instruction, South Sudan

Rebecca Joshua Okwaci is Deputy Minister for General Education and Instruction in the new Republic of South Sudan. She is the Secretary-General of Women Action for Development, and a member of the Coalition of Women Leaders of South Sudan and Sudan. Okwaci is a graduate of Alexandria University in Egypt and is a Master’s candidate in Communication Development at Daystar University in Kenya. Okwaci joined the newly formed Sudan People’s Liberation Movement in 1986, and became a radio journalist. She was known as the “voice of the revolution,” broadcasting inside and outside the country and producing the only program that focused on women’s mobilization. She co-established the Sudanese Women’s Association in Nairobi, working in the diaspora for economic empowerment. Okwaci was also a founding member of Sudanese Women’s Voice for Peace, an organization that was instrumental in preparing activists in the run-up to the UN’s Fourth World Conference on Women in Beijing in 1995. She co-led the
Sudanese delegation to Beijing, facilitating dialogue between women from the south and north. Those efforts culminated in the Sudanese Women Empowerment for Peace, an organization honored with the American Peace Foundation’s prize. Continuing with her public outreach, Okwaci was an assistant editor with the BBC and an executive producer at Sudan Radio Service, which was broadcast in ten languages. She was inducted into the 2006 Women Peacemakers Program at the Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace and Justice, and in 2008, she testified before the US House Committee on Foreign Affairs on Sudanese women’s role in achieving peace.

Dr. Emilio Ovuga, Professor, University of Gulu, Uganda

Emilio Ovuga is a psychiatrist and Professor of Psychiatry and Mental Health at Gulu University Department of Mental Health in northern Uganda. He served as Dean of the Faculty of Medicine from February 2007 to June 2012, and previously in various capacities at Makerere University between 1989-2006. Ovuga currently leads a team of Gulu University researchers on the perceptions of peace in Acholi, under the United Nations Peace Building Program in Northern Uganda. Arising from his interest in peace for all in the community, Ovuga served as a consultant for a period of one month as social scientist to the USAID-funded Northern Uganda Peace Initiative (NUPI) that initiated dialogue between the Government of Uganda and the Lord’s Resistance Army rebels of Joseph Kony in 2004, culminating in the signing of the Cessation of Hostilities Agreement in 2006. A successful author, Ovuga has edited: *Post Traumatic Stress Disorder in a Global Context*, In Tech Publishing, Croatia, 2012; *Psychiatry in Primary Health Care*, Fountain Publishers, Kampala, 2005; and *Teaching Mental Health in the District*, Fountain Publishers, Kampala, 2005. His new book on *Perceptions of Peace in Acholi*, has been published by New Vision Publishing Corporation in February 2013. Ovuga holds a joint PhD from Karolinska Institute Sweden, and Makerere University, Uganda in Suicidology and Psychiatric Epidemiology.

Ms. Pia Peeters, Senior Social Development Specialist, The World Bank-Nairobi, Kenya

Pia Peeters is a senior social development specialist at the World Bank with the Africa Region Post Conflict and Social Development Practice Group (AFTCS) and the Global Center on Conflict, Security and Development. She is currently responsible for managing the Learning on Gender and Conflict in Africa (LOGiCA) Program. The program supports gender and conflict work in Sub Saharan Africa (SSA). It focuses on four themes: gender sensitivity in Demobilization and Reintegration programs, gender-based violence (GBV), vulnerable women in post-conflict environments, and young men at-risk of engaging in conflict. She also manages, among others, Demobilization and Reintegration Programs in Burundi and Rwanda. She currently leads the work on gender in situations of fragility and conflict for the Global Center on Conflict, Security and Development, based in Nairobi. Before, Peeters was part of the Social Development Team for Sub-Saharan Africa, where she worked on youth, conflict and HIV/AIDS. She completed analytical work on youth and labor in Sierra Leone, as well as studies on Young Men in Post-Conflict Burundi and Rwanda. Before joining the Sub-Saharan Africa region, Peeters worked extensively on gender issues for the Latin American and Caribbean Region, where her work centered on addressing gender issues in Bank operations across a range of sectors. A Belgian national, Peeters holds a B.A. in Social Development and Communication Science from Katholieke Universiteit Leuven (Belgium), a Diplôme d’études du Développement from Université Catholique de Louvain-la-Neuve (Belgium), and a M.A. in International Economics and Latin American Studies from The Johns Hopkins University, Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Studies (Italy, USA). As of mid-February 2012, she will join the Global Center on Conflict, Security and Development in Nairobi, Kenya.
**Dr. Martina Ruf-Leuschner, President, vivo International-Germany, Germany**

Martina Ruf-Leuschner is a vivo international (victim’s voice) member of the first generation and has been President of vivo Germany from 2008 till 2011 (www.vivo.org). She has a vast background in sexual and gender-based violence work, including working as a senior clinical consultant in the Centre for Excellence for Psychotraumatology at the University of Konstanz Germany. There she works with asylum-seeking survivors and perpetrators of violence from a vast range of conflict-affected areas (Iraq, Afghanistan, Sri Lanka, etc. In addition she coordinates field projects for vivo international in Northern Uganda, Ethiopia, Sri Lanka, Tanzania and many other countries. Ruf-Leuschner is also an associate professor and university lecturer at the Department for Clinical Psychology at the University of Konstanz and an academic advisor to M.A. and PhD students, who want to research on issues related to trauma, violence, inter-generational cycles of violence and its effects especially on children and their care takers; including work with perpetrators of violence in family and community settings.

**Ms. Kim Thuy Seelinger J.D., Program Director, University of California-Berkeley, USA**

Kim Thuy Seelinger is the Director of the Sexual Violence & Accountability Project at the Human Rights Center, University of California, Berkeley School of Law. She oversees the Center’s teaching, fieldwork, and writing on conflict-related sexual violence. She is also a Clinical Instructor in Berkeley’s International Human Rights Law Clinic, where she supervises law students in research on cross-sectoral response to sexual violence in conflict-affected regions. Seelinger also oversees a 4-country analysis of safe shelters serving refugees and internally-displaced persons fleeing sexual and gender-based violence. Prior to joining the Center, Seelinger was a staff attorney at the Center for Gender and Refugee Studies at the University of California Hastings College of the Law, where she co-taught the Refugee and Human Rights Clinic and represented asylum seekers fleeing gender-based violence. She was previously a Kirkland& Ellis Public Interest Law Fellow and staff attorney at Lutheran Family & Community Services in New York City. Seelinger’s practice and scholarship focuses on sexual violence and forced displacement, refugee rights, and persecution based on sexual orientation. She has conducted fieldwork in Uganda, Vietnam, Haiti, Kenya, and Liberia. Seelinger graduated from NYU School of Law.

**Ms. Marijana Senjak, Co-founder, Medica Zenica, Bosnia**

Marijana Senjak is co-founder of the Medica Zenica Center, which provides treatment of women survivors of rape and people suffering from war trauma. Over the last few years, the center has been expanded to include survivors of domestic violence and incest. Her work, especially in the establishment of psychological treatment of refugees and psychotherapy groups, influenced her colleagues in Medica Zenica, and some colleagues in Bosnia and Herzegovina with whom she exchanged experiences during her postgraduate study in trauma psychology in Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina. She has completed postgraduate studies in psychological sciences at the University of Zagreb and postgraduate studies in trauma psychology at the University of Sarajevo. She undertook postgraduate studies in post-trauma therapy at the Medical School at the University of Sarajevo affiliated with WHO before completing postgraduate studies at the International Trauma Studies Program at New York University, where she was trained in transactional analysis and in feminine psychodrama. Senjak has established the Center for Psychological Help in Zenica. She was nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize in 2005 for her involvement in advancing the movement for peace.

**Mr. Mohammad Shahabi, Researcher, Peace Training and Research Organization (PTRO), Afghanistan**

Mohammad Shahabi is currently completing his Master’s in International Law at the University of Toulouse in France, where he is researching sexual violence cases in Afghanistan. He is also working with the Peace Training and Research Organization (PTRO), an Afghan research organization based in Kabul. He holds a Bachelor’s in Law from Kabul Law School, where his thesis focused on evaluation of the law on the elimination of
violence against women (EVAW Law), which passed in Afghanistan in 2007, as well as examining related sexual violence cases. Shahabi has worked, directly and indirectly, for a number of institutions within this field, including Cooperation for Peace and Unity, the Christian Michelsen Institute, and the Peace Training and Research Organization.

Dr. Rocio Silva Santisteban, Executive Secretary, National Coordinator for Human Rights, Peru

Rocío Silva Santisteban is the chief-in-charge of the National Coordinator for Human Rights (CNDDHH), a coalition of 78 civil-society organizations that work towards the defense, promotion and education of human rights in Peru. She is a writer, journalist, feminist and an Associate Professor at the Pontificia Universidad Católica del Peru and at the Ruiz de Montoya Jesuits University. She has also published several poetry and short-stories books. She writes a weekly column about politics and human rights issues at the national newspaper La República and maintains a weekly internet TV program about human rights, Lo Justo. She is a lawyer and received her PhD from Boston University (2006) and she was an AVINA (2006), CLACSO (2008) and a Rockefeller Foundation fellow (2007). Her main interests are the relation between power and culture, gender issues, human rights of women, and testimonies about the Peruvian armed conflict. Her PhD dissertation was published by the Peruvian Social Sciences Network, The Disgust Factor: Symbolic Trashing and Authoritarian Discourse in Contemporary Peru. The book examines different forms of constructing otherness using disgust in a context of violence, specifically the "years of terror" of recent Peruvian history.

Dr. Laura Sjoberg, Assistant Professor, University of Florida, USA

Laura Sjoberg is an assistant professor of political science at the University of Florida, where she teaches courses in international relations theory, international security, and gender and international relations. She received her bachelor’s degree from the University of Chicago, her PhD from the School of International Relations at the University of Southern California, and her J.D. from Boston College in 2007. Sjoberg has been a research fellow with the Center for International Studies at the University of Southern California, the Century Foundation, the Bannerman Foundation, the Boston Consortium for Gender, Security, and Human Rights, the Women and Public Policy Program, and the Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs at the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University.

Dr. Inger Skjelsbaek, Deputy Director, Peace Research Institute Oslo, Norway

Inger Skjelsbaek is senior researcher and deputy director at the Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO), and holds a PhD in Psychology from the Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU). Her research interests include gender studies, political psychology, peace and conflict research, and research methodology. Previously, Skjelsbaek was a visiting researcher at the University of California, Berkeley. She maintains strong links with the University of Oslo, where she supervises M.A. and doctoral students and gives regular guest lectures. Skjelsbaek has received research grants from, among others, the Fulbright Foundation, the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and the Research Council of Norway. She is currently working on a multiyear project focusing on sexual violence crimes from the Bosnian war, interviewing perpetrators who have received sentences in the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia (ICTY). She has also worked as a guest researcher at the Human Rights Center at University of California-Berkeley.
**Mr. S. Matthew Stearmer, Board of Directors/Principal Investigator, WomenStats Database, USA**

S. Matthew Stearmer has been affiliated with WomanStats since 2001 and was instrumental in developing the original database. One of his primary roles has been the development and implementation of several international comparative scales on the status of women. Beyond scale development, Stearmer's current research interests examine the intersection between migration, minority group organization, and violence. He is especially concerned with the relational effects between migration policies and the differential risk of the violence experienced by women and men. These relationships are examined through Turkish migration. Prior research has examined historical sex ratios on the American frontier, policy effects on breast-feeding, the development of a comparative international rape scale, and tracking social movements (including women's organizations) via Twitter. Stearmer is currently a PhD. candidate in Sociology at The Ohio State University, having received a B.A. in International Studies, an M.S. in Geography, and an M.S. in Sociology at Brigham Young University.

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**Dr. Shana Swiss, Founder and Director, Women’s Rights International, USA**

Shana Swiss, a public health physician and director of Women’s Rights International (WRI), is a pioneer in developing ways to document human rights violations against women that do not leave the survivors of gender-based violence feeling re-victimized or disempowered. Over the past 20 years she has developed a participatory methodology with local teams to document the prevalence of human rights violations, including sexual violence, and the impact of war on women and girls living in situations of armed conflict and political violence, including the former Yugoslavia, Liberia, Haiti, and Sri Lanka. She has collaboratively developed tools, such as data security and monitoring plans, for promoting ethical relationships between local, national, and international organizations that collect or have access to human rights data and other sensitive information. She advocates for the use of quantitative methods on existing records to unveil the scope and reality of violence in women’s lives. She was a Visiting Scholar at the Center on Reproductive Rights and Justice at the University of California, Berkeley last year and has been invited to Northern Uganda as a Fulbright Scholar. Prior to founding WRI, she was director of the Women’s Program at Physicians for Human Rights. She has an M.D. from Boston University.

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**Ms. Gina Torry, Conflict-Related Sexual Violence Expert, Mediation Support Unit, United Nations Department of Political Affairs, USA**

Gina Torry is a gender and peacebuilding expert who has specialized in United Nations Security Council-related policy and initiatives. She has worked with the United Nations, Member States, regional organizations, as well as women’s civil society groups and peacebuilding networks worldwide. Since 2010, she has been working with the Department of Political Affairs Mediation Support Unit where, in collaboration with mediators and mediation experts, she finalized the DPA/United Nation’s new “Guidance for Mediators on addressing Conflict-Related Sexual Violence in Ceasefire and Peace Agreements”. She is also currently the Director of Partnerships for the Peace Research Endowment (PRE). Gina is the former Coordinator of the NGO Working Group on Women, Peace and Security (2005-2008). She has authored several publications including “Financing Inclusive Peace and Security for Women in Nepal: From the Comprehensive Peace Agreement to the Nepal Peace Trust Fund” (2010, EC/UN). In 2007, Gina was invited, in her capacity as Coordinator of the NGO Working Group, to address the United Nations Security Council in an Open Debate on Women, Peace and Security.
Ms. Emma Wade, Foreign and Security Policy Counsellor, British Embassy, USA

Emma Wade has been the Foreign and Security Policy Counsellor at the British Embassy in Washington, DC since July 2012. As a career diplomat, she has spent the last 17 years in the UK’s Foreign Service. Prior to arriving in Washington, DC, Wade worked in London on international trade policy and led the government’s international crisis management operations. This included the unprecedented period of early 2011, when the beginnings of the Arab Spring coincided with the earthquake in Christchurch, New Zealand and the earthquake and tsunami in Japan. For her crisis leadership, Wade was awarded an OBE by Her Majesty The Queen in 2012. She has had diplomatic postings in Mexico (2006-2009) and Chile (1998-2001) and has worked at the UK’s Mission to the United Nations in New York (2001) and the European Commission in Brussels (1997). In between overseas postings, Wade’s roles in London include being Chief of Staff to the Minister for the Middle East, Counter Terrorism and Counter Proliferation (2004-2006) and working on the future of the European Union (2001-2003).

Ms. Hossai Wardak, Afghansitan Senior Expert, U.S. Institute of Peace. USA

Hossai Wardak is coming from program development background with extensive experience of working with United Nations both inside and outside Afghanistan. In her recent capacity of working for EQUALITY for Peace and Democracy (EPD), Wardak has been involved in conducting independent analysis and review of 2012 and 2013 Afghanistan National budget, establishing Civil society coordination committee with HPC, service delivery assessment of health and education sector and establishing of community-based monitoring mechanism on using national budget as main monitoring tool in Kabul and Jalalabad. She worked with United Nations Children Fund in Baku Azerbaijan, as a Social Policy Planning and M&E Specialist. Wardak has several unique program achievements; including design and implementation of Program under the title of Healthy Family Relations from Islamic perspective, Gender and Ethics in Policing, Inclusion of psycho social and trauma counseling in Basic Package of Health services and Health Through literacy. She also developed the Country Program Action Plan for United Nations Children Fund (UNICEF) a policy document of UNICEF with government of Azerbaijan for the four years. Wardak is a certified trainer of Culturally Sensitive Approaches from the University of Costa Rica. She was recognized by the Minister of Women Affairs of Afghanistan for her unique efforts on Women Rights and Empowerment. Wardak obtained her Bachelors in Business Administration from Preston University a diploma in Population Issues from University of Costa Rica, and is a Peace Building and Peace Keeping Associate with Hiroshima Peace Center, Japan. She is active in variety of organization and these include UNICEF Social Policy Specialists’ Network, Women Waging Peace, Afghan’s Coalition for Transparency and Accountability, Hiroshima Peace Center and UNOCHA Gender Based Violence Task Force.

Dr. Maria Emma Wills, Advisor to the Chair, Centro de Memoria Histórica, Colombia

María Emma Wills is an Associate Professor of Political Science at Universidad de los Andes in Colombia, a position she has held since 2005. From August 2012 to August 2013, she will serve as Advisor to the Chair of the newly created National Center for Historical Memory in the Department Administrative Office of the President of Colombia. Until 2011, she led the Department of Gender and Women Studies in the Historical Memory Group belonging to the National Reparation and Reconciliation Commission. Wills received financial support from USIP to conduct research on war and gender in the Caribbean Colombian Coast and with her team and colleagues she produced three reports on women, gender and war, a booklet on methods and concepts to include a gender perspective in historical memory narratives and a tool kit (see http://www.centrodememorialahistorica.gov.co/index.php/informes-gmh/informes-2011/mujeres-y-guerra-caribe). “Women who make history. Land, Body and Politics in the Caribbean Coast”, one of the reports published last year, just received an honorable mention for the Montserrat Ordonez award from the Colombia LASA Section 2012. In 2007, Wills published a book on women’s inclusion and representation under democratic regimes, focusing on Colombia from 1970 to 2000. She earned her PhD in 2004 from the Institute of Latin American Studies at the University of Texas at Austin, her MSc in Political Science from the Université de Montréal in 1990, and her BA in Political Science from the Universidad de los Andes in Bogotá. She conducted doctoral studies with a Fulbright and Ford Grants.
Dr. Elisabeth Jean Wood, Professor, Yale University, USA

Elisabeth Jean Wood is professor in the Department of Political Science at Yale University, where she teaches courses on comparative politics, political violence, social movements, and qualitative research methods. Wood, a leading expert on sexual violence in conflict situations, is also a professor at the Santa Fe Institute. She holds Bachelor’s degrees in Physics from Cornell University and in Philosophy and Mathematics from the University of Oxford. She received Master’s degrees in Physics and Latin American Studies from the University of California-Berkeley, and holds a PhD in Political Science from Stanford University. She is currently writing a book on variation in sexual violence during war, drawing on field research in several countries. Wood was named a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences in 2010.

Mr. Innocent Zahinda, Team Leader, Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary General (SRSG) for Sexual Violence in Conflict, USA

Innocent Zahinda is the team leader of the Team of Experts on the Rule of Law/Sexual Violence in Conflict in the Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary General (SRSG) for Sexual Violence in Conflict. UN Security Council resolution 1888 (2009) had called for the creation of a ready-to-deploy team of experts to aid consenting governments with response to sexual violence. Zahinda joined the Office of the SRSG in March 2011. Previous positions included Chief of Human Rights of the UN Mission in the Central African Republic and Chad. Prior to his UN posts, Zahinda, a national of the DRC, worked for non-governmental organizations that focus on human rights and gender-based violence, including Amnesty International. Zahinda received a Masters from the University of Bradford and is pursuing a PhD in Human Rights at the University of South Africa.
The Missing Peace Symposium explicitly aims to:
- Advance, expand, and improve knowledge related to sexual violence in conflict and post conflict settings;
- Identify gaps in knowledge and reporting; and
- Facilitate access to such knowledge for academics, practitioners, and policymakers.

Some of the most innovative research on sexual violence is being undertaken by young scholars who spend months in the field researching, analyzing and writing about the complex and difficult aspects of understanding and preventing sexual violence in conflict and post-conflict settings.* These scholars are frequently on the cutting edge of data collection methodologies and have important insights to share with the broader academic and policy communities.

However, young scholars often face challenges in disseminating the results of their research to the mainstream international relations and security studies communities. In addition, they may lack the necessary networks to disseminate their work to the policy and practitioner communities. It is our hope that the Young Scholars Network will help overcome these challenges.

The organizers of The Missing Peace symposium, with their combined extensive networks and contacts in academia, the policymaking and non-governmental communities, decided to help with the development of a network to help overcome these challenges.

The symposium provides the following opportunities for young scholars:
- Dissemination of young scholar research results by way of formal and informal presentations, including poster sessions in the Leland Terrace.
- Creation of specific learning and mentor opportunities by way of one-on-one meetings with senior academics, policymakers and practitioners.
- Participation in the conference reporting and post-conference publication processes.
- Dedicated roundtables to discuss the young scholars research and to foster cross-disciplinary pollination.
- Dedicated media and policy communication workshop.

The organizers hope to sustain the Young Scholar Network beyond February 2013 through:
- The creation of a Policy Paper series to be published jointly by USIP, SIPRI North America, PRIO, and the Berkeley Law Human Rights Center of the University of California.
- Organization of panels for paper presentations at major annual academic conferences such as the American Political Science Association, the International Studies Association, the International Criminologists Association, the American Society of International Law, and the Academic Council of the United Nations System.
- Summer workshops for young scholars that would allow for presentation of research, meetings with policymakers, and professional development sessions—including workshops on how to write for a policy audience, how to talk to the media, and how to use social media in a professional manner.
- Creation of a Missing Peace Young Scholar Facebook and/or Linked-in group.

*Young scholars are defined as recently minted PhD’s or PhD candidates with well-developed proposals.
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2:30 pm YSN - Workshop: How to Talk to the Policy Community and the Media

Mr. Scott Morgan
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4:00 pm Young Scholar Network (YSN) Roundtable Discussion

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Facilitator: Dr. Jelke Boesten

- Pascha Bueno Hansen, Univ of Dalaware
- Dara Cohen, Harvard Univ.
- Nicole Gerring, Wayne State Univ.
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- Paul Kirby, LSE
- Milli Lake, Univ. of Wash.
- Michele Leiby, Wooster College
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- Sabine Hirschauer, Old Dominion Univ.
- S. Matthew Steamer, Ohio State Univ.

Roundtable Two: International Responses
Facilitator: Ms. Kim Thuy Seelinger J.D.

- Amanda Blair, Univ. of Chicago
- Kristen Cordell, Kings College
- Kerry Crawford, George Washington Univ.
- Renata Giannini, Old Dominion Univ.
- Amelia Hoover Green, Drexel Univ.
- Sabrina Karim, Emory Univ.
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- Gary Uzonyi, U of Michigan
- Torunn Wimplemann, Univ. of London

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Facilitator: Dr. Inger Skjelsbæk

- Jenne Appelbaum, NYU
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**Junior Faculty**

**Dr. Pascha Bueno-Hansen, Assistant Professor, University of Delaware, USA**

Pascha Bueno-Hansen is an assistant professor in women’s studies, with joint affiliations in political science and Latin American studies at the University of Delaware (UD). She received her PhD in Politics, Latin American and Latin Studies, and feminist studies from the University of California, Santa Cruz. Bueno-Hansen is working on a book entitled *Decolonizing Transitional Justice* under contract with the University of Illinois Press. Bueno-Hansen has published articles in the International Feminist Journal of Politics and The Journal of Peacebuilding and Development and various book chapters on related issues including gender, sexuality, race, violence against women, transitional justice, social movements, and conflict analysis. Besides her faculty position at UD, she is an affiliated faculty member of the Master’s in Community Psychology at the Pontifícia Universidad Católica de Peru. Bueno-Hansen places her interdisciplinary teaching and research at the service of social justice.

**Dr. Dara Kay Cohen, Assistant Professor, Harvard University, USA**

Dara Kay Cohen is an assistant professor of public policy at the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University. Her research and teaching interests span the field of international relations, including international security, civil war and the dynamics of violence during conflict, and gender and international relations. Her current book project examines the variation in the use of sexual violence during recent civil conflicts; the research for the book draws on fieldwork in Sierra Leone, East Timor, and El Salvador, where she interviewed more than 200 ex-combatants and noncombatants. Cohen graduated with an A.B. in Political Science and Philosophy with honors from Brown University in 2001 and her PhD in Political Science from Stanford University in 2010. Prior to joining the Kennedy School, she was an assistant professor at the Humphrey School of Public Affairs at the University of Minnesota.

In 2011, Cohen was awarded the American Political Science Association’s Award for Best Dissertation in Women and Politics. She also served as a paralegal in the Outstanding Scholars Program in the Counterterrorism Section of the U.S. Department of Justice from 2001-2003.

**Dr. Amelia Hoover Green, Assistant Professor, Drexel University, USA**

Amelia Hoover Green is assistant professor in the Department of History and Politics at Drexel University and a consultant to the Human Rights Data Analysis Group at Benetech, Inc. In addition to a research focus on armed group institutions and their effects on violence against civilians, Hoover Green has written several pieces on the role of statistical evidence in human rights advocacy and international courts. Hoover completed her Ph.D. in Political Science at Yale University, where she considered variations in the types of violence that armed groups use against noncombatants, showing that political education programs can limit repertoires of violence against civilians during armed conflicts. She also holds a Bachelor’s from Swarthmore College, Pennsylvania. She has also worked with institutions including the UN Action Against Sexual Violence in Conflict as a statistical consultant. More generally, she is interested in how information, ideologies and behavioral norms are transmitted through hierarchical organizations.
Dr. Paul Kirby, Lecturer, University of Sussex, United Kingdom

Paul Kirby is a Lecturer (Associate Professor) in International Security in the Department of International Relations at the University of Sussex. He received his PhD from the London School of Economics and Political Science in December 2012, where his thesis focused on forms of explanation for wartime sexual violence in feminist and gender theory, with particular reference to the Democratic Republic of Congo. He continues to work on these issues, as well as on related questions of ethics, representation and politics in the study of gendered violence. Kirby has also worked with the peacebuilding NGO International Alert and has published in the European Journal of International Relations, Men and Masculinities and International Feminist Journal of Politics.

Dr. Michele Leiby, Assistant Professor, College of Wooster, USA

Michele Leiby is an assistant professor in political science at the College of Wooster, Ohio, where she teaches courses on human rights, comparative politics, and social science research methods. Her individual research focuses on wartime sexual violence in Latin America. Her current project examines the use of sexual violence by state armed forces during the civil wars in El Salvador and Peru. Based on two years of archival and interview research, it finds that sexual violence was one component of the state’s repertoire of repression, used variably to interrogate and punish detainees and terrorize entire communities. Additional research projects build directly off of earlier findings, and include a GIS analysis of the sub-national variation in the frequency of sexual violence in Peru, and an in-depth, qualitative study of the effects of gender and sexuality norms in Peru on the prevalence of male-on-male sexual violence as well as the prospects for survivors to seek justice and reparation.

Dr. Ragnhild Nordås, Senior Researcher, Centre for the Study of Civil War at PRIO, Norway

Ragnhild Nordås is a senior researcher at the Centre for the Study of Civil War at the Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO). Her primary research interest is political violence, the effects of religion in particular and identity politics in general. She also has a research interest in the security implications of climate change. Nordås’ dissertation is titled “Beliefs and Bloodshed: Understanding Religion and Intrastate Conflict”. Her work combines large-N analyses and case based research. Her work to date has been published in, amongst other, International Studies Quarterly and Political Geography. In addition to this she is a recipient of an M.A. student fellowship from PRIO, PhD funding from the Centre for the Study of Civil War (CSCW), a Predoctoral Fellowship from the Belfer Center at Harvard Kennedy School, and has been a visiting fellow at the Kroc Institute, University of Notre Dame 2010-2011.

Dr. Tia Palermo, Assistant Professor, Stony Brook University, USA

Tia Palermo is assistant professor in the Graduate Program in Public Health at Stony Brook University, New York. She holds a PhD in Public Policy and a Master’s in Economics from the University of North Carolina. Palermo has worked in various capacities for various international organizations, including Ipas, Family Care International, the United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF), and Population Council, on topics related to reproductive health and gender and development. Her research interests include gender-based violence, reproductive health, and social policy, particularly in sub-Saharan Africa and Latin America.
Amber Peterman is a gender specialist and research fellow at the International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI). Her research uses quantitative analysis to analyze linkages between population and development outcomes, women’s property rights, and maternal health issues including gender-based violence, primarily in sub-Saharan Africa. Peterman is particularly interested in methodology to estimate levels and prevalence of violence, linkages between violence and economic or health outcomes, and evaluation of prevention and treatment programs. She also has ongoing projects including large-scale panel survey data collection in countries such as focusing on Colombian refugees in Ecuador, and former internally displaced people in Uganda and in rural Yemen. Her work on gender-based violence has been published in *Social Science & Medicine*, *American Journal of Public Health*, and the *Bulletin of the World Health Organization* and *Foreign Affairs*. Before joining IFPRI in 2009, Peterman worked on research in collaboration with Macro International, the World Bank, Population Council and the Inter-American Development Bank. Prior to obtaining her graduate degree, she lived in Ghana and Cameroon volunteering for women’s micro credit and health education grass-roots NGOs.

Dr. Liz Thornberry is an assistant professor of African history at Hobart and William Smith Colleges. She graduated from Stanford University in 2012. Her research on the history of sexual violence in South Africa has been funded by the American Council of Learned Societies and the Fulbright Institute for International Education. Among other publications, she is an editor of *Domestic Violence and the Law in Colonial and Post-Colonial Africa*. In 2013, she will be a postdoctoral fellow at the University of Cape Town’s Law, Race and Gender Research Unit.
# PhD Candidates

## Ms. Jenna Appelbaum, PhD Candidate, New York University, USA

**Jenna Appelbaum** is a PhD candidate in sociology at New York University. Her research interests concentrate on gender and sexualized violence in transitional justice, post-conflict reconstruction, international peacekeeping, and peacebuilding efforts in Africa, and human rights. Her dissertation, based on qualitative interviews with more than 100 Rwandan women, examines the role of dignity in gender justice after genocide. Appelbaum received her B.A. from Duke University in 2002.

## Ms. Michelle Ben-David, Law Student, University of California - Berkeley, USA

**Michelle Ben-David** is a third year law student at the University of California-Berkeley. During her second year of law school, Ben-David participated in the International Human Rights Law Clinic, where she spent her first semester researching and drafting a report on the human rights situation of the LGBT community in El Salvador. In her second semester with the clinic, she worked on a project for Berkeley Law’s Human Rights Center, researching the health, law enforcement, legal, and community sector response to sexual and gender-based violence in Liberia, both during and post-conflict. She continued with the project after the close of the semester and is currently working on a draft report summarizing the results of the group’s research. Ben-David holds a B.A. in Comparative Literature and a B.S. in Conservation and Resource Studies from the University of California-Berkeley.

## Ms. Amanda H. Blair, PhD Candidate, University of Chicago, USA

**Amanda H. Blair** is a PhD candidate in comparative politics at the University of Chicago. Blair’s research focuses on the intersections of international law, armed conflict, and sexual and gender-based violence in the Great Lakes Region of Africa. She received her undergraduate degree from the University of Wyoming, majoring in chemical engineering and political science. She has worked as a victim advocate for a domestic violence shelter and coordinated a sexual assault response team. Blair’s general research interests include African politics, feminist and legal theory, armed conflict, and discriminatory violence.

## Ms. Kristen Cordell, PhD Candidate, King’s College London, United Kingdom

**Kristen Cordell** is a gender advisor at the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE). Cordell holds a Master’s in Public Policy from Pepperdine University, which in 2010 prominently featured her work with women refugees in the Alumni Magazine article: “A Safer Future Secured.” She also holds a Bachelor’s in History and Political Science. Previously, she worked in various capacities with the United Nations, on missions in the Democratic Republic of Congo, Liberia, and Lebanon. Within these contexts, she has advised on issues related to sexual and gender based violence in humanitarian contexts, gender mainstreaming for security sector reform, policy interventions for improved national capacities on UNSCR 1325, and empowerment strategies for women in post conflict contexts. She has also worked on gender evaluation for the World Bank’s Independent Evaluation Group. Cordell was involved in the advocacy and passage of UN Security Council Resolution 1820, ‘Against the Use of Rape as a Tool of War,’ as well as policy efforts to improve the number of women Peacekeepers. In 2011, she was named one of the ‘Top 99 Foreign Policy Leaders under 33,’ by the Diplomatic Courier.
Ms. Kerry F. Crawford, PhD Candidate, the George Washington University, USA

**Kerry F. Crawford** is a PhD candidate in the Department of Political Science and a pre-doctoral fellow for the 2012-2013 Elliott School of International Affairs Global Gender Program, at the George Washington University. Crawford’s thesis focuses on the ways in which states, international organizations, and non-governmental organizations respond to sexual violence in war. The project, entitled ‘Punctuated Silence: Variation in the International Response to Wartime Sexual Violence’, looks at the development of a nascent international prohibition of wartime sexual violence and aims to explain that prohibition’s inconsistent application to conflicts in the past twelve years. Crawford’s broader research interests include gender dynamics in war, human security, women in peacekeeping, women in the military, and the formation of human rights norms. Kerry was awarded a 2012 Woodrow Wilson Dissertation Fellowship in Women’s Studies.

Ms. Nicole Gerring, PhD Candidate, Wayne State University, USA

**Nicole Gerring** is a doctoral candidate in political science at Wayne State University in Detroit, Michigan. Her doctoral dissertation explores the causes of wartime rape during civil wars in Africa. She has taught classes in American government, Michigan politics and world politics and led the campus chapter of Amnesty International. Gerring received her master’s degree from Wayne State University in Political Science. She is interested in the role of women’s peace organizations in ending conflict and leading societal transition post-conflict.

Ms. Renata Giannini, PhD Candidate, Old Dominion University, USA

**Renata Giannini** is a PhD candidate at the Graduate Program of International Studies from the Old Dominion University in Norfolk Virginia and a Fulbright scholar. Her thesis aims to assess the impact of protection of civilians’ norms in the practice. She has performed extensive research in the area of defense and security studies, with a particular focus in gender and peace operations, military and police institutions in Latin America and the Caribbean, United Nations humanitarian interventions and Brazilian foreign policy. Since 2008, she has carried out diverse research projects with the NGO the Latin America Security and Defense Network (RESDAL), based in Buenos Aires, Argentina, having performed fieldwork in different countries, such as the Democratic Republic of Congo, Haiti, Barbados, Guyana, Trinidad and Tobago, and Brazil. Specifically, in regard to gender mainstreaming and sexual violence, she has participated in UN organized workshops for gender guidelines and training modules validation and other important events regarding UN resolutions 1325 and 1820 in New York. Giannini has carried out fieldwork in Haiti and the Democratic Republic of Congo with the specific objective of evaluating UN’s strategy to promote gender mainstreaming and actions to prevent and combat sexual violence in peace operations.

Ms. Sabine Hirschauer, PhD Candidate, Old Dominion University, USA

**Sabine Hirschauer** is a PhD Candidate from Old Dominion University in Norfolk, Virginia, in International Studies. Her research interests center on the topics of international conflict and cooperation, sexual violence as a systematic weapon of war, conflict resolution, social movements, global communication, and immigration. Hirschauer holds a business degree from Germany, a Bachelor of Arts in Mass Communication and Journalism and a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science, both from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She received a Master of Arts in English Literature from Old Dominion University in Norfolk, Virginia. She worked for more than a decade as a print journalist in the United States. Hirschauer travelled to Rwanda and South Africa in 2010 and 2011, conducting field research about sexual violence as a systematic weapon of war. She is teaching courses at Old Dominion University in Introduction to International Politics, American Foreign Policy, European Politics and International Political Economy. Her current
research project examines the political silence surrounding the systematic mass rape of German women after the fall of Berlin in 1945. She is from Munich, Germany.

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**Ms. Anette Bringedal Houge, PhD Candidate, University of Oslo, Norway**

Anette Bringedal Houge is a PhD candidate in criminology at the Department of Criminology and Sociology of Law at the University of Oslo, Norway. The purpose of her PhD research project is to contribute to a more comprehensive understanding of sexual war violence by approaching the phenomenon from the angle of individual perpetrators’ subjective experiences. Houge holds a Master’s Degree in Peace and Conflict studies, for which she wrote a thesis on perpetrators of sexual war violence during the war in Bosnia. Previously, she worked as a researcher on the Africa desk at Landinfo, the Norwegian Country of Origin Information Centre, primarily researching women’s rights and health issues. She freelances for the Norwegian Peacebuilding Centre, and has given briefings on sexual war violence and perpetrators thereof to relevant sections of the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Houge also freelances as a panelist and lecturer on sexual war violence issues for activist organizations and is involved in anti-rape campaigning nationally.

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**Ms. Sabrina Karim, PhD Candidate, Emory University, USA**

Sabrina Karim is a PhD candidate in political science at Emory University. Her research interests center on the intersection of gender and security. Specifically, she uses quantitative and qualitative methods to understand how the security sector is impacted when women are integrated into it as a means to protect women and children from violence. Karim holds a Master’s Degree in Forced Migration from Oxford University and a Bachelor of Science Degree in Foreign Service from Georgetown University. Most recently, she won the National Science Foundation Graduate Student Fellowship and received a grant from the Folke Bernadotte Academy to study the impact of female peacekeeping. Her most recent projects examine the distribution patterns of female peacekeeping worldwide, state compliance around UN resolution 1325 and gender balancing in UN missions, and the impact of gender integration in the security sector in Liberia. She is also collaborating with New York University on a project that looks at transactional sex among UN peacekeepers. Karim was previously a Fulbright Scholar in Lima, Peru, where she conducted research on women in the Peruvian National Police, and created a women’s cooperative for women in some of Lima’s poorest communities.

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**Ms. Jocelyn Kelly, PhD Candidate, Johns Hopkins University, USA**

Jocelyn Kelly is the director for Harvard Humanitarian Initiative’s (HHI) Women in War program, where she designs and implements projects to examine issues relating to gender, peace, and security in fragile states. She is currently also pursuing her doctorate degree at Johns Hopkins School of Public Health. Kelly has been conducting health-related research using qualitative and quantitative research methods for over eight years both in national and international settings. Prior to joining HHI, Kelly worked as an Emergency Management Specialist in Hurricane Katrina-affected areas and acted as a liaison to the FEMA Public Assistance Chief in Louisiana. She has given briefings related to gender and security to the U.S. State Department, USAID, the World Bank, OFDA, the Woodrow Wilson Center, the U.S. Institute of Peace, and the UN Security Council. Her current research interests include understanding how political insecurity in the Democratic Republic of Congo affects individuals, families and communities.
Ms. Milli Lake, PhD Candidate, University of Washington, USA

Milli Lake is a PhD Candidate in political science at the University of Washington, and a Jennings Randolph Peace Scholar (2012-13) at the U. S. Institute of Peace. Lake is writing her dissertation on the determinants of legal accountability for gender-based violence in weak states, focusing on the roles of local politics and international development assistance. Lake received her Bachelor’s and M.A. in African History from the University of Edinburgh in 2005. She is currently living in Goma, DR Congo, which serves as the primary case for her dissertation research. She is a Comparative Law and Society Studies (CLASS) Fellow at the University of Washington and an affiliated researcher with the International Law and Policy Institute (ILPI) in Oslo. Lake has worked as a research assistant for the University of Washington’s Voices from the Rwanda Tribunal project, as a researcher for the World Bank's World Development Report, and as a program assistant for the International Bar Association’s Human Rights Institute.

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Mr. William Payne, PhD Candidate, York University, Canada

William Payne is a PhD candidate in critical human geography at York University, Toronto. A Rotary Peace Fellow, he holds a Master’s Degree in International Relations from Universidad del Salvador, Buenos Aires. He holds a scholarship with Canada’s Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC). He is a research associate with the Centre for Research on Latin America and the Caribbean (CERLAC) and a Graduate Fellow with the Centre for Refugee Studies at York University, and professor in the area of human rights at George Brown College, Toronto. He has extensive experience working as an international human rights advocate in Mexico, Colombia, Canada, and the West Bank and has held coordination roles with Christian Peacemaker Teams, the Canadian Council for International Cooperation, and CERLAC. Present research considers human rights violations of sexual minorities in contexts marked by armed conflict, widespread violence, and impunity. Payne is a member of the Mexico Project Committee and the Emergency Response Committee of Peace Brigades International (PBI) and is a former member of organization’s International Council.
Ms. Clémence Pinaud, PhD Candidate, Sorbonne University, France

Clémence Pinaud is a Fulbright fellow and visiting scholar at the Center for African Studies at the University of California-Berkeley from the Sorbonne University, Paris where she majors in history. Pinaud’s thesis examines the impact of war on women in South Sudan. She has undertaken research in the Philippines, Ethiopia, Sierra Leone, and South Sudan, where she worked for the UN High Commissioner for Refugees as a lead investigator for a multi-agency survey on protection and gender-based violence issues.

Ms. Shannon Powers, PhD Candidate, the George Washington University, USA

Shannon Powers is a PhD candidate in political science at the George Washington University. She holds a bachelor’s degree from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, an M.A. from George Washington, and a JD from the University of Connecticut School of Law. Her research interests focus upon the intersection of international law and politics, American foreign policy, and the construction of security issues and responses. Her dissertation examines the exercise of prosecutorial discretion in international criminal tribunals and its influence on the development of international criminal law. Powers’ policy experiences consist of political employment with the mayor of Jerusalem and the Canadian Minister of Immigration, and legal work with the ACLU, the Iraqi Special Tribunal, and the Connecticut Appellate Court.

Mr. Jonathan Shaw, PhD Candidate, University of Michigan, USA

Jonathan Shaw is a PhD candidate in history at the University of Michigan, where he studies the history of eastern Congo in the 20th century, with a particular interest in the conjuncture of sexual violence and spiritual power. Shaw received his Master’s Degree in History from the College of William & Mary, Virginia. He has conducted fieldwork in the North Kivu province of eastern Congo, as well as in Uganda, Kenya, and Belgium. He has published work on film and vernacular languages in the Congo, an interest established during his time studying film as an undergraduate at Calvin College, Michigan.

Mr. Romesh Silva, PhD Candidate, University of California-Berkeley, USA

Romesh Silva is a demographer and statistician and a Fellow of the Human Rights Center at the University of California-Berkeley. Since 2001, he has led human rights data analysis projects in India, Sri Lanka, Timor-Leste, Chad, and Bangladesh and contributed to projects in Colombia, Guatemala, Palestine, Sierra Leone, Zimbabwe, Somalia, and Liberia. His research and work on the mortality consequences of armed conflict and political violence has resulted in a number of policy-relevant and scholarly publications. Mr. Romesh holds a Bachelor of Science in Statistics and Bachelor of Arts in German Studies from the University of New South Wales, a Master of Arts in International Affairs from Columbia University, and a Master of Arts in Demography from the University of California-Berkeley. Over the years, he has consulted to Benetech’s Human Rights Data Analysis Group, UNICEF, the United Nations Office of the High Commissioner on Human Rights, the United Nations Development Program, the Organization for Economic Cooperation & Development, the Asia Foundation, the International Center for Transitional Justice, and USAID’s Office on Transitional Initiatives. He has also served on the National Academy of Sciences expert panel on Darfur to review mortality estimates on Darfur, Sudan and continues to serve on the advisory board of Ensaaf and the American Statistical Associations Committee on Scientific Freedom & Human Rights.
Mr. S. Matthew Stearmer, PhD Candidate, The Ohio State University, USA

S. Matthew Stearmer has been affiliated with WomanStats since 2001 and was instrumental in developing the original database. One of his primary roles has been the development and implementation of several international comparative scales on the status of women. Beyond scale development, Stearmer's current research interests examine the intersection between migration, minority group organization, and violence. He is especially concerned with the relational effects between migration policies and the differential risk of the violence experienced by women and men. These relationships are examined through Turkish migration. Prior research has examined historical sex ratios on the American frontier, policy effects on breast-feeding, the development of a comparative international rape scale, and tracking social movements (including women's organizations) via Twitter. Stearmer is currently a PhD candidate in Sociology at The Ohio State University, having received a B.A. in International Studies, an M.S. in Geography, and an M.S. in Sociology at Brigham Young University.

Ms. Carla Suarez, PhD Candidate, Dalhousie University, Canada

Carla Suarez is a Trudeau Scholar in the Political Science Department at Dalhousie University. Her main research interests include: critical and feminist theory, humanitarianism, transitional justice, and social repair. Her current research is inspired by her previous fieldwork experience in Africa (Uganda, South Africa, and Rwanda) and Latin America (Guatemala and Peru). Through a political ethnography, Suarez’s doctoral dissertation examines how young women self-protect during and after mass violence in South Sudan. In particular, she is interested in the interplay between resistance, violence, and gender in the context of the everyday. Her doctoral research is funded by the Pierre Elliot Trudeau Foundation and the Social Science and Humanities Research Council, Joseph-Armand Bombardier Canada Graduate Scholarship.

Mr. Gary Uzonyi, PhD Candidate, University of Michigan, USA

Gary Uzonyi is a PhD candidate in political science at the University of Michigan, combining research in international security and human rights. Uzonyi’s thesis explores why leaders intervene in the domestic conflicts of other countries to protect civilians in the area and how their motivations affect the manner in which they conduct peacekeeping and peacebuilding missions. This work focuses on the abuse of civilians in the area during the intervention and the long-term success of these programs. He is also examining why states commit to weapon controls aimed at the protection of civilians during combat.

Ms. Torunn Wimpelmann, PhD Candidate, University of London, United Kingdom

Torunn Wimpelmann is a PhD candidate in the School of Oriental and African Studies at the University of London, where she examines shifting definitions of violence against women in Afghanistan and the implications for gender relations, governance, and politics. Her PhD thesis looks at a series of struggles over what should count as violations against women and under whose jurisdiction such acts should be placed. Other work includes research on forms of violence in ‘post-conflict’ societies and commissioned studies on justice reform in Afghanistan. Wimpelmann is also a researcher at Chr. Michelsen Institute, Norway and holds a scholarship with the Research Council of Norway.
Scott Morgan, Director, The Morgan Group – Clear Communications, USA

Scott Morgan has been teaching communication skills since 1994. His clients include the National Institutes of Health, the Mayo Clinic, Merck, NASA, EPA, City of Hope Cancer Center, and several universities: UNC Chapel Hill, Cornell, Maryland, Ohio State, Minnesota, Duke, Nebraska and NC State University and Texas A&M. He has 25 years of broadcast experience (including a ten-year run on Home and Garden Television) and teaches media training, leadership, and communication strategy to many think tanks in the Washington DC area (CSIS, WRI, Brookings). He graduated with honors from the University of California, Davis (1984) and authored the book *Speaking about Science published by Cambridge University Press* (2006).
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Under the leadership of Ambassador-at-Large for Global Women’s Issues Melanne Verveer, the Secretary’s Office of Global Women’s Issues (S/GWI) in the United States Department of State seeks to ensure that women’s issues are fully integrated in the formulation and conduct of U.S. foreign policy. The Office of Global Women’s Issues works to promote stability, peace, and development by empowering women politically, socially, and economically around the world.

Established in 1944, The World Bank is headquartered in Washington, D.C. and has more than 9,000 employees in more than 100 offices worldwide. The World Bank is a vital source of financial and technical assistance to developing countries around the world. The World Bank is comprised of two institutions managed by 188 member countries: the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) and the International Development Association (IDA). The IBRD aims to reduce poverty in middle-income and creditworthy poorer countries, while IDA focuses exclusively on the world’s poorest countries. These institutions are part of a larger body known as the World Bank Group.

The Learning on Gender and Conflict in Africa Program (LOGiCA) is a multi-donor initiative that aims to contribute to peace and security in Sub-Saharan Africa by supporting gender-sensitive activities related to insecurity and violence in conflict-affected and post-conflict countries.

The Global Center on Conflict, Security and Development aims to serve as a global hub connecting those working in fragile and conflict affected situations across the world, as well as providing knowledge and resources.

With offices in Washington, DC, Nairobi, Kenya, and the UN partnership office in New York, the Center represents a strategic shift in the way the World Bank is working with fragile and conflict-affected situations. Working with partners, the Center aims to strengthen the World Bank Group’s work with states facing situations of fragility or grappling with conflicts to ensure a faster and more flexible response, which is better informed by experiences on the ground.
The Open Society Foundations work to build vibrant and tolerant societies whose governments are accountable and open to the participation of all people. They seek to strengthen the rule of law; respect for human rights, minorities, and a diversity of opinions; democratically elected governments; and a civil society that helps keep government power in check. At the same time, they help to shape public policies that assure greater fairness in political, legal, and economic systems and safeguard fundamental rights. They also implement initiatives to advance justice, education, public health, and independent media. They build alliances across borders and continents on issues such as corruption and freedom of information. Working in every part of the world, the Open Society Foundations place a high priority on protecting and improving the lives of people in marginalized communities. The International Women’s Program works to advance women’s rights and gender equality in law and in practice. The program promotes and protects the rights of women and girls around the globe, particularly in places where good governance and respect for the rule of law have been weakened or destroyed by conflict. We aim to strengthen institutions that are responsive to and inclusive of women and to create conditions that allow women to control their own political, economic, and social development.

The essential task of the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs is to work for Norway’s interests internationally: to safeguard the country’s freedom, security and prosperity. Norway’s interests are determined by such factors as its geographical location in a strategically important area, its open economy, its position as a coastal state and steward of substantial marine resources, and its extensive exports of oil and gas. The best way to promote Norway’s interests is to cooperate with like-minded countries. The Ministry works to promote peace and security, an international legal system, an economically just world order and sustainable development. Finding a solution to issues of this kind is in Norway’s interests too, while at the same time efforts in these areas are an expression of international solidarity.

The Peace Research Endowment aims to enhance research-based knowledge on peace and war, to stimulate debate and inform policy, and ultimately to contribute towards the creation of a world in which violence is the exception and conflicts are resolved peacefully. Established in 2009, the Peace Research Endowment is a non-profit organization independent of political, religious, or national interests. The Endowment’s activities are directed principally toward the academic community, with an emphasis on research that informs the policy and practitioner communities. It aims to stimulate research cooperation internationally through funding projects and programs – first and foremost the activities of the Peace Research Institute Oslo.

 Founded in 1997, Instituto Promundo is a Brazilian NGO that seeks to promote gender equality and end violence against women, children and youth. Based in Rio de Janeiro, Promundo works locally, nationally and internationally to: conduct research related to gender equality and health; implement and evaluate programs that seek to promote positive changes in gender norms and behaviors among individuals, families and communities; and advocate for the integration of these initiatives and a perspective of gender equality in public policies. On February 1st, 2011, Promundo-US was opened in Washington, DC, USA. Promundo-US is a separately incorporated NGO that collaborates with Instituto Promundo on international communication, joint advocacy initiatives and technical assistance to projects outside Brazil. Promundo-US also coordinates global work of the MenEngage Alliance.
The vision of **Sonke Gender Justice Network** is a world in which men, women and children can enjoy equitable, healthy, and happy relationships that contribute to the development of just and democratic societies. Founded in 2006, the Sonke Gender Justice Network is a South African-based NGO that works across Africa to strengthen government, civil society, and citizen capacity to support men and boys in taking action to promote gender equality, prevent domestic and sexual violence, and reduce the spread and impact of HIV and AIDS. Sonke has an expanding presence on the African continent and a growing international profile, through its involvement with the United Nations and a range of other international networks and affiliates.

In a world that is increasingly interrelated, **Compton Foundation** seeks to foster human and ecological security by addressing contemporary threats to these inalienable rights. We support responsible stewardship that respects the rights of future generations to a balanced and healthy ecology, both personal and global, allowing for the full richness of human experience. Established in 1946, Compton Foundation fosters positive and sustainable models of change. We are a family foundation based in the U.S. and working with a global perspective. To accomplish our mission we provide financial resources to galvanize the movement for transformative social change and justice, and our grantmaking totals over $4 million annually.

**Creative** envisions stable neighborhoods, communities and regions that can develop effective institutions to provide for their people, enabling them to overcome hardship and live peaceful and fulfilling lives. In 1977 in a Washington, D.C. basement, four women with diverse cultural backgrounds and a single passion for educational excellence and opportunity founded the enterprise that would become Creative Associates International. Collaboration on a project in early childhood development by the four inspired a company that began by focusing on domestic education and human development programs, with one of its first clients being the national early childhood education program, Head Start. As this domestic focus turned to international educational development and supporting communities in transition "Creative" would become synonymous with innovation, initiative, and flexibility.
Art Works Projects’ mission is to use design and the arts to raise awareness of and educate the public about significant human rights and environmental issues. Art Works Projects (AWP) provides visual advocacy tools which produce action on human rights crises at the grassroots, media, and policy levels. Conceptualized and created in conjunction with established humanitarian and human rights advocacy organizations, AWP’s art and design exhibitions, books, recordings, films, and other initiatives provide opportunities for large numbers of the general population to engage in ending major human rights violations. In its first five years of existence, AWP’s agenda includes projects exposing genocide, extreme sexual violence against women, the global shortage of potable water, forced labor and human trafficking, and ethnic cleansing and anti-democracy actions. AWP selects topics which are the most intractable, the least covered in the mainstream media, and the most abusive for victims.

Leora Kahn is the founder and Executive Director of PROOF: Media for Social Justice. A photo editor for over 25 years, in 2006, she and a group in internationally known photojournalists decided to combine their skills and experiences to make an impact in the world. PROOF was born six months later. PROOF is dedicated to the power of visual artists to bear witness, and create images that can make the anonymous waves of human rights tragedies into personal and immediate calls to action. PROOF has brought together photographers, documentarians, academics and journalists from different media sources in an alliance to reach out and educate with images that inspire and motivate change. We produce exhibitions, publications, theatre and on site activities in nations with some of the world’s most difficult recent histories.

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