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4th International Summer Academy The Art of Conflict Transformation



Annual theme:

The Arab Uprising: A Conflict Transformation Perspective

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at the International Conference Center in Caux, Switzerland

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Summer Academy 2012: General Information

Host Organization

The Institute for Conflict Transformation and Peacebuilding (ICP) is an independent and non-partisan non-governmental organization based in Switzerland. We are engaged in conflict transformation and peacebuilding in the public and private sector. We offer services in the following fields:

- Conflict Transformation and Dialogue Facilitation
- Training and Education
- Research and Teaching
- Awareness Raising and Public Relations

The ICP Summer Academy History



The first international ICP Summer Academy took place in July 2008 in Berne. It was centred on methods of conflict transformation and peacebuilding and their application in various professional contexts. The annual theme of the 2nd Summer Academy in July 2009 was “Conflict

and Culture”. In 2010, the academy was focused on political means for non-violent conflict transformation. Last year, the Summer Academy discussed aspects of project management and evaluation in the field of peacebuilding.

The event has triggered great interest – every year approximately 60 people participate in our Summer Academy. The evaluation results show that



participants have been particularly satisfied with the quality of contents and the professional competence of the lecturers and the workshop instructors. The participants could take advantage of the Summer Academy on a personal and a professional level and appreciated its theory- and practice-oriented approach. Evaluation results also show that the event is a

welcome platform for networking and meeting like-minded people from different professional and academic fields.

ICP Summer Academy 2012

In December 2010, the Tunisian street vendor Mohamed Bouazizi burned himself in protest of the confiscation of his goods by the police and the harassment and humiliation he experienced by local officials. He died 4 January 2011 in the hospital. This incidence triggered a local uprising against police behavior and the authorities in general, spreading to Tunis within days and finally all over the whole Arab region. More than 1 year after the events in Tunisia, the Arab uprising is still in full gear. The world is witnessing an unprecedented turmoil in the whole Arab region with the potential to fundamentally transform its societal, political and economic structures. However, the reform movements remain fragile and the current outcomes differ largely.

The summer academy 2012 will discuss catalysts, dynamics and perspectives of the Arab uprising in general and compare the situations in Syria, Egypt, Morocco and Tunisia in particular. The event will provide the possibility to exchange with experts from the region, international observers and between participants. Furthermore, presentations of participants' own projects as well as professional networking constitute important elements of the academy.

Target Audience

- Students and scholars from Arab countries or with a specific research focus / interest on the Arab region
- Current and prospective experts in the fields of conflict transformation and peacebuilding
- Interested professionals and students in the following fields: conflict transformation, peacebuilding, reconciliation, mediation, communication, media, religion, migration, education, development cooperation, social work, peace and conflict studies, intercultural and international relations
- Persons working with NGOs, NPOs, IOs, media, academic or private and other organizations interested in conflict transformation and peacebuilding
- General public
- Local, regional and national media

Learning Objectives

- Participants will learn about catalysts, dynamics and perspectives of the Arab uprising and compare the situations in Syria, Egypt, Morocco and Tunisia from a particular perspective of conflict transformation. They will examine and debate methods and approaches of conflict transformation and peacebuilding in the context of the Arab uprising.
- The workshops are practice-oriented and participants will acquire practical skills and applicable knowledge in the field of conflict transformation and peacebuilding projects.
- The Summer Academy is an open, interactive forum. Particular attention is paid to the exchange between the speakers, experts and participants.
- Participants also have the possibility to exchange and present their own projects.
- The Summer Academy is an international platform for the peace, mediation and counselling scene. It contributes in paving the way for networking and future cooperation projects.
- The organizers are sensitive to the different cultural backgrounds, concepts and experiences of the participants. The intercultural exchange is an integral part of the Summer Academy.

Language

The entire Summer Academy is accessible to German-, French- and English-speaking persons. All morning presentations will be translated into English, French and German simultaneously. The workshops are held in German, French and English.

Location

Looking out over Lake Geneva from an altitude of 1000 metres, the Caux centre can accommodate up to 450 people. Formerly the Caux-Palace Hotel, in 1946 it became an international meeting place, thanks to the generous contributions in time, talent and money of many volunteers.



Most bedrooms have a bathroom or shower and two beds, so participants may be asked to share rooms. Please indicate on the application form if you particularly require a single room. Bedrooms can be reached directly by phone; there is no radio or TV. There is an Internet room available for a small fee and some public parts of the building are equipped

with a wireless internet access. In Caux, it can be quite chilly: you may want to bring some warm clothes. (Information from www.caux.iofc.org)

Time	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
08.00 - 08.45		Breakfast			
09.00 - 12.00		Morning Speeches and Presentations			
		Syria Samir AITA (tbc) Economist. Chief editor of "Monde Diplomatique", Arab Edition. Member of the Syrian transition council.	Egypt Nawal AL SAADAWI (tbc) Egyptian writer and human rights (particularly women's rights) activist.	Morocco Mohamed TOZY (tbc) Political Scientist. Director of the Moroccan Centre for Social Sciences of the University in Casablanca, Morocco.	Tunisia Amine GHALI (tbc)
12.30 - 13.15	Arrival and registration	Lunch			
14.00 - 17.00	Introduction lecture Tariq RAMADAN (tbc) (Professor of Contemporary Islamic Studies, Oxford University) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lecture and discussion 	Parallel Afternoon Workshops (participants select one and participate over three days)			Closing event <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Overall discussion of the topics Presentations of the workshops Substantial and organizational evaluation
		Women's integration in peace processes: the case of Egypt Tanja MIRABILE (tbc; Co-Director, Institute for Conflict Transformation and Peacebuilding ICP)			
		Security Sector Reform: the case of Morocco Pascal GEMPERLI (Program Officer, Geneva Centre for Democratic Control of Armed Forces; Co-Director, Institute for Conflict Transformation and Peacebuilding ICP)			
		The Responsibility to Protect: the case of Syria Megan SCHMIDT (Outreach Officer, International Coalition for the Responsibility to Protect)			
18.30 - 19.15		Dinner			
20.15 - 22.00		Evening programme / Social events			

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Introduction Lecture

(August 3rd 2012)

Tariq Ramadan (to be confirmed)

Professor of Contemporary Islamic Studies, Oxford University

Morning Speeches and Presentations

(August 4th – 7th 2012)

Saturday, August 4th:

Samir Aita (tbc)

Economist. Chief editor of “Monde Diplomatique”, Arab Edition. Member of the Syrian transition council.

Sunday, August 5th:

Naval al Sadaawi (tbc)

Egyptian writer and human rights (especially women’s rights) activist.

Monday, August 6th:

Mohamed Tozy (tbc)

Political Scientist. Director of the Moroccan Centre for Social Sciences of the Hassan II University in Casablanca, Morocco.

Tuesday, August 7th:

(tbc)

Afternoon Workshops

Participants select one workshop which they will follow over three afternoons

Workshop 1: Women's integration in peace processes: the case of Egypt

Tanja Mirabile (tbc)

Co-Director Institute for Conflict Transformation and Peacebuilding ICP

Tanja Mirabile is an anthropologist and sociologist with a strong interest and experience in Latin America. She has gathered expertise especially in the areas of migration and integration as well as human rights. In 2008 she completed a training in conflict transformation and Transcend approach by Johan Galtung. At the moment she is attending a certificate of advanced studies (CAS) training in development studies at the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology. As manager strategy and organization for PeaceWomen across the Globe, she supports the worldwide interconnectedness of female peacemakers and the international recognition of women's engagement in peacebuilding.

Workshop description

(Coming soon)

Workshop 2: Security Sector Reform: the case of Morocco

Pascal Gemperli

(Co-Director Institute for Conflict Transformation and Peacebuilding ICP)

Pascal Gemperli is a communications engineer and holds a post-graduate diploma in peace and conflict studies as well as in intercultural communication. He is certified mediator (SDC/Inmedio) and has completed the training for Transcend-conflict-consultants (today "The Art of Conflict Transformation") as well as the respective train-the-trainer program. He is especially interested in comprehensive approaches to mediation, conflict transformation and peacebuilding. He worked during 5 years as project officer for the "Geneva Centre for Democratic Control of Armed Forces" (DCAF) where he was in charge of the Morocco program. His work focuses on the Arab region in general and on Morocco in particular.

Workshop Description

(Coming soon)

Workshop 3: The Responsibility to Protect: The case of Syria

Megan Schmidt

(Outreach Officer, International Coalition for the Responsibility to Protect)

Megan Schmidt is an Outreach Officer with the International Coalition for the Responsibility to Protect. Prior to joining the Coalition in December 2011, Ms. Schmidt interned with ICRtoP from September 2010 to May 2011 and received a summer fellowship with the Secretariat through August 2011. She holds a Master of Arts in Human Rights and Genocide Studies from Kingston University-London and a Bachelor of Arts in History from Concordia College. Ms. Schmidt previously interned and volunteered with various human rights organizations in the UK and the US and received a Graduate Research Fellowship with the Wiener Library where she conducted a comparative study on the Holocaust and the Rwandan Genocide.

Workshop description

The Responsibility to Protect (RtoP, R2P) is a new, international norm, founded on the prevention of genocide, war crimes, crimes against humanity and ethnic cleansing. RtoP articulates states' primary responsibility to protect their populations. RtoP further asserts the responsibility of international and regional organizations and civil society to assist states in meeting their protection obligations and, if a state fails to prevent the threat of these crimes, intervene to protect civilians using a broad range of economic, political, humanitarian and military measures.

In Syria human rights violations have reached the RtoP threshold as civilians continue to suffer crimes against humanity at the hands of government and security forces. We have witnessed efforts to uphold RtoP through the responses of regional organizations, individual governments, and UN bodies and actors. However, the population remains at risk. Following an introduction to the norm and examination of its role as a tool for the prevention of mass atrocities, this workshop will assess the situation in Syria through an 'RtoP lens' and discuss measures within the norm's framework to resolve the crisis.

Day one of this workshop will explore the origins and evolution of RtoP, looking at the particular role of civil society in its advancement. On the second day, assessing the case study of Syria, we will discuss the crimes committed and the factors that identify Syria as an “RtoP situation.” This discussion will draw from reports and statements by regional and United Nations actors as well as civil society. Finally, participants will examine the role of actors at all levels to respond to the crisis, analyzing the tools available within the norm’s framework and focusing on best practices. Ahead of the academy workshop participants will be provided a reading list of recommended reports, articles and commentaries by experts and civil society.

Workshop 4: Human Rights and Reconciliation in Tunisia

(to be confirmed)

Organizational issues

Food

Breakfast, lunch and dinner are included in the participation fee.

The meals will be served at the conference centre at the following hours:

Breakfast: 08.00 – 08.45

Lunch: 12.30 – 13.15

Dinner: 18.30 – 19.15

Ramadan arrangements are provided. Please indicate your request on the application form.

Accommodation

Accommodation is included in the participation fee. Participants are assigned a room upon arrival and may be asked to share a room with someone else.

Useful numbers

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Police 117

Ambulance 144

Community life

A special characteristic of the Caux conferences is the internal communal life. Participants are invited to join communities of between 12 and 20 people which are both interactive discussion groups and teams which participate in the practical tasks of the house. Many of these teams are led by members of the popular Caux Interns Program.

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Registration 10% discount for ICP network members (see www.institute-icp.ch)

Registration deadline: 10 July 2012, limited number of participants

- Price for registration and payment **before** May 31st 2012: 980 CHF / 850 € (incl. board and lodging)
- Price for registration and payment **after** May 31st 2012: 1'180 CHF / 1020 € (incl. board and lodging)

Price for students and participants from non-OECD countries (please submit passport and student card copy)

- registration and payment **before** May 31st 2012: 580 CHF / 500 € (incl. board and lodging)
- registration and payment **after** May 31st 2012: 780 CHF / 670 € (incl. board and lodging)

Workshops:

- Workshop 1: Women's integration in peace processes: the case of Egypt
- Workshop 2: Security Sector Reform: the case of Morocco
- Workshop 3: The Responsibility to Protect: The case of Syria
- Workshop 4: Human Rights and Reconciliation in Tunisia

Languages: D F E others: _____

Sex: m w

Vegetarian: Yes No others: _____

Halal: Yes No

Arrival: Day: _____ Time: _____ Train Car Plane

Departure: Day: _____ Time: _____

Please send your registration to:

ICP Switzerland, Schwanengasse 9, CH-3011 Bern, Switzerland or to summer@iicp.ch.

The host organization keeps the right to cancel or reschedule the event in case of few registrations. The complete course fee will be reimbursed in case the course is cancelled.

Name, First name

Profession

Street, Number

Zip, City, Country

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E-Mail

Date of birth

Date, Signature
