

# Advanced Course on Conflict, Crisis and Transitions

## York, UK 20–27 July 2011

### Programme

Tuesday 19 July 2011		
12:00 – 20:00	Arrival and Registration University of York, Alcuin College	Course Staff
Wednesday 20 July 2011		
09:30 – 10:30	Arrival and Registration (if not done on 19 July) University of York, Alcuin College	Course Staff
11:00 – 12:30	Welcome, Introductions and Course Overview	Course Organisers
12:30 – 14:00	<i>Lunch</i>	
14:00 – 15:30	Key Concepts: Humanitarian Action and Post-Conflict Transitions	Prof. Sultan Barakat and Dr Sara Pantuliano
15:30 – 16:00	<i>Break</i>	
16:00 – 17:30	Exercise: Key Concepts	Prof. Sultan Barakat, Dr Sara Pantuliano and Course Organisers
19:00 –	Departure for dinner in York city centre	
Thursday 21 July 2011		
09:00 – 11:00	Analysing Context, Conflict & Fragility	Prof. David Keen
11:00 – 11:30	<i>Break</i>	
11:30 – 12:30	Exercise: 'Analysing Context, Conflict & Fragility'	Prof. David Keen
12:30 – 14:00	<i>Lunch</i>	
14:00 – 16:00	Peace Processes and Political Settlements	Prof. Nicholas Haysom
16:00 – 16:30	<i>Break</i>	
16:30 – 17:30	Peace Processes and Political Settlements	Prof. Nicholas Haysom
Friday 22 July 2011		
09:00–9.30	Review and Reflections of the Previous Day	Prof Sultan Barakat and Dr. Sara Pantuliano
09:30 – 11:00	Humanitarian Principles, International Law and the Protection of Civilians	James Darcy
11:00 – 11:30	<i>Break</i>	
11:30 – 12:30	Humanitarian Principles, International Law and the Protection of Civilians	James Darcy
12:30 – 14:00	<i>Lunch</i>	
14:00 – 16:00	Dealing with the Legacy of the Past: Transitional Justice & Human Rights	Dr Lars Waldorf
16:00 – 16:30	<i>Break</i>	
16:30 – 17:30	Dealing with the Legacy of the Past: Transitional Justice & Human Rights	Dr Lars Waldorf

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<b>Saturday 23 July 2011</b>		
09:30 – 11:30	Forced Displacement and Durable Solutions	Dr Sara Pantuliano
11:30 – 12:00	<i>Break</i>	
12:00 – 13:30	Livelihoods and Conflict	Simon Levine and Dr Sarah Collinson
13:30 – 14:30	<i>Lunch</i>	
14:30 – 16:00	Group Exercise	ODI and PRDU Staff
16:00 – 16:30	<i>Break</i>	
16:30 – 17:30	Group Exercise	ODI and PRDU Staff
<b>Sunday 24 July 2011</b>		
10:00	Depart for Yorkshire Moors Hiking Trip & Pub Lunch	
<b>Monday 25 July 2011</b>		
09:00 – 10:30	Stabilising fragile States: the role of the military	Maj. Gen. Mike Smith
10:30 – 11:00	<i>Break</i>	
11:00 – 12:30	Stabilising fragile States: the importance of diplomacy	Francesc Vendrell CMG
12:30 – 14:00	<i>Lunch</i>	
14:00 – 15:30	Stabilising fragile states: a national perspective	Mohammed Haneef Atmaar
15:30 – 16:00	<i>Break</i>	
16:00 – 17:30	Stabilising fragile states: a debate on Afghanistan	Mohammed Haneef Atmar, Francesc Vendrell CMG and Maj. Gen. Mike Smith
19:00 – 20:30	Evening Lecture	Professor Mark Duffield
<b>Tuesday 26 July 2011</b>		
09:00 – 09:30	Review and Reflections of the Previous Day	Prof Sultan Barakat and Dr. Sara Pantuliano
09:30 – 11:00	Learning from Evaluations	Tony Vaux
11:00 – 11:30	<i>Break</i>	
11:30 – 12:30	Learning from Evaluations	Tony Vaux
12:30 – 14:00	<i>Lunch</i>	
14:00 – 17:30	Group Exercise	ODI & PRDU Staff
19:00 –	End-of-course dinner	
<b>Wednesday 27 July 2011</b>		
09:00 – 10:30	Group Presentations	ODI & PRDU Staff
10:30 – 11:00	<i>Break</i>	
11:00 – 12:30	Group Presentations and Closing Remarks	ODI & PRDU Staff
12:30 – 14:00	<i>Lunch</i>	

## Speaker biographies

### Professor Sultan Barakat

(Director, Post-war Reconstruction and Development Unit)



Professor Sultan Barakat (BSc University of Jordan, Amman, MA and DPhil University of York, UK) is the Founding Director of the Post-war Reconstruction and Development Unit (PRDU). In 1996 he designed and

launched the PRDU's innovative Master's course in Post-war Recovery Studies. Professor Barakat is the Director of the FCO Senior Chevening Fellows Programme on Conflict Resolution, and has served as a Visiting and Guest Lecturer at a number of European and North American universities. He is also a Senior Adviser and Consultant to the United Nations, the World Bank, the European Union, DFID, the ILO, the IFRC, the Dutch and Norwegian Ministries of Foreign Affairs, the United States Institute of Peace, the Higher Education Funding Council for England and a variety of governments and international non-governmental organisations including CARE and Tiri.

### Dr Sara Pantuliano

(Head, Humanitarian Policy Group)



Sara is the Head of the Humanitarian Policy Group at ODI. She is a political scientist with extensive experience in conflict and post-conflict contexts. Prior to joining ODI, Sara led UNDP Sudan's Peace Building

Unit, managed a high-profile post-conflict response in the Nuba Mountains and was a resource person and an observer at the IGAD Sudan peace process. She holds a PhD in Politics and has lectured at the University of Dar es Salaam. She has written extensively on Sudan and on humanitarian action and is a regular media commentator on these issues. Her current work focuses on underexplored dimensions of displacement, particularly the role of land in return and reintegration processes and displacement in urban contexts. She is the Editor of the journal *Disasters*.

### Mohammed Haneef Atmar



Mohammed Haneef Atmar was Afghanistan's Minister of the Interior until June 2010. Prior to this he served as Minister of Education and Minister of Rural Rehabilitation and Development. He is credited with introducing

major reform to the police force and civil authorities, launching the National Solidarity Programme and making significant improvements in education, particularly for girls and women. He started his career as an aid worker with Norwegian Church Aid and was part of the first intake of the MA in Post-War Recovery Studies at the University of York in 1996. He has published various academic works on the role of humanitarian aid in Afghanistan with Professor Sultan Barakat and Jonathan Goodhand among others.

### Dr Sarah Collinson

(Research Fellow, Humanitarian Policy Group)



Sarah has extensive experience of international policy research focused on the international humanitarian system, civilian protection and humanitarian responses to

displacement and international migration. She also has experience in international relations, political economy and livelihoods. She has held senior policy and research positions at ActionAid and Chatham House. She is currently leading projects on donors' application of Good Humanitarian Donorship principles in IDP assistance; the operational consequences of humanitarian reforms; the role of affected states in crisis; humanitarian principles in practice; and the implications of policy coherence for the humanitarian system and humanitarian operations.

## James Darcy

(Senior Research Fellow, Overseas Development Institute)



James is an international lawyer with ten years of operational experience with Oxfam as programme coordinator in Central Africa, the Balkans, the Middle East, and South and South-East Asia. Formerly head

of the Humanitarian Policy Group, he is currently Senior Research Fellow at ODI, working on fragile states, aid risks, humanitarian engagement and the security-development interface. He also specialises in areas of policy relating to the protection of civilians and displaced people; and in the field of needs assessment and situational analysis, particularly with regard to food security. He currently sits on the Board of Oxfam GB.

## Professor Mark Duffield

(Professor of Development Politics – University of Bristol)



Mark is currently Professor of Development Politics at the University of Bristol and Director of the Global Insecurities Centre. He has taught at the Universities of Khartoum, Aston and Birmingham and held

Fellowships and Chairs at Sussex, Leeds and Lancaster. Duffield is currently a member of the

Scientific Board of the Flemish Peace Institute, Brussels and a Fellow of the Rift Valley Institute, London and Nairobi. Outside of academia, during the 1980s, he was Oxfam's Country Representative in Sudan. Duffield has advised government departments including DFID, EU (ECHO), the Swedish Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (SIDA); also NGOs such as CAFOD, International Alert, Comic Relief and Oxfam; and UNICEF, UNOCHA, UNDP and UNHCR. His books include *Global Governance and the New Wars: The Merging of Development and Security* (2001) and *Development, Security and Unending War: Governing the World of People* (2007).

## Professor Nicholas Haysom

(Political Director, Executive Office of the UN Secretary-General)



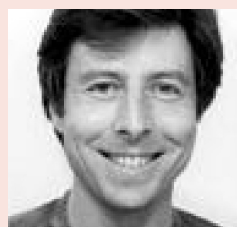
Professor Nicholas Haysom was appointed Director for Political Affairs in the Office of UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon in May 2007. Previously he served in Baghdad as the head of UNAMI's

Office of Constitutional Support from 2005 to 2007. Professor Haysom was closely involved in

the constitutional negotiations leading up to the interim and final constitutions in South Africa. He served as chief legal advisor throughout Nelson Mandela's presidency. Professor Haysom has also advised on conflict resolution and constitutional reform in East and Central Africa and South and South-East Asia. He was also involved in the Burundi Peace Talks as the chairman of the committee negotiating constitutional issues (1999–2002), and served as the adviser to the IGAD Sudanese Peace Process (2002–2005). Professor Haysom was a founding partner of a human rights law firm, and an Associate Professor of Law until he joined President Mandela's office in May 1994.

## Professor David Keen

(Professor of Complex Emergencies, London School of Economics).



David Keen is a political economist and Professor of Complex Emergencies at the London School of Economics. He received his doctorate from Oxford. His study of the political economy of famine

was published by Princeton University Press as *The Benefits of Famine*. He is also the author of *The Economic Functions of Violence in Civil Wars* (Oxford University Press) and *The Best of Enemies: Conflict and Collusion in Sierra Leone* (James Currey/Palgrave Macmillan). He has worked as a researcher, consultant and journalist. Professor Keen's research interests and areas of supervision include the nature of contemporary civil warfare, the use and abuse of information in disaster zones and the political and economic dimensions of disasters.

## Simon Levine

(Research Fellow, Humanitarian Policy Group)



Simon worked for many years for NGOs in Mozambique, Cambodia, DR Congo, Burundi and Tanzania. He then spent nine years in Uganda, working across Eastern and Central Africa and the Horn of Africa as

a consultant, specialising in linking grassroots research with policy and programming analysis. He specialised in livelihoods and vulnerability analysis and response (including pastoral livelihoods), in land rights and legal pluralism, innovation and change and in systems and institutional analysis, with a particular focus on contingency planning and early response in crises. He joined ODI in 2010, where he specialises in livelihoods in humanitarian and protracted crises. His new areas of interest are on the link between humanitarian action and resilience and on urban livelihoods.

## Maj. Gen. Mike Smith

(Executive Director, Asia Pacific Civil-Military Centre of Excellence)



Mike Smith is the founding Executive Director of the Asia Pacific Civil-Military Centre of Excellence, established by the Australian Government in 2008. From 2002 to 2008 he was CEO of Austcare (now Action Aid Australia),

following 34 years' service as an Army Officer in the

Australian Defence Force. Mike is actively engaged in international fora on issues relating to international security; humanitarian assistance and disaster relief; peacekeeping, complex peace operations and peacebuilding; and the protection of civilians. Mike holds an MA in International Relations from the Australian National University, a BA in History from the University of New South Wales and is a Fellow of the Australian College of Defence and Strategic Studies. He is an Adjunct Professor at the Key Centre for Ethics, Governance and Law at Griffith University, and a member of the International Advisory Board of the Asia Pacific College of Diplomacy at the Australian National University.

## Tony Vaux

(independent consultant)



Tony Vaux was with Oxfam for nearly 30 years in a range of roles related to development and humanitarian work. He wrote *The Selfish Altruist: Relief Work in Famine and War* (Earthscan) summarising

this experience, before leaving Oxfam in 2000

to become an independent consultant working particularly on conflict analysis for aid agencies. He has conducted a wide range of studies relating to conflict, many of them published by DFID and others. He has also maintained a close interest in humanitarian response, conducting evaluations for the Disasters Emergency Committee, and has recently focused on Disaster Risk Reduction including a global evaluation for UNDP. Other recent work includes humanitarian policy analysis for NGOs and the multi-donor evaluation of conflict prevention and peace-building in Southern Sudan.

## Francesc Vendrell CMG



Francesc Vendrell is the former Head of the UN Special Mission to Afghanistan (2000 – 2001) and Special Representative of the EU for Afghanistan (2002–2008). He is currently chairman of the Afghanistan Analysis Network,

Senior Consultant to the Centre for Humanitarian Dialogue, and Visiting Professor and Senior Fellow at SAIS and LSE respectively. Joining the UN diplomatic Corps in 1968, he has, among other positions, been the Representative of the Secretary General of the UN in El Salvador and Nicaragua (1989-1991), Guatemala (1990–1992) and East Timor (1999). He has participated in diplomatic missions in the Caucasus (1992) and Haiti (1993), and was Director of Political Affairs for East Asia and the Pacific Division (1993–2000). In 2009 he was appointed (Honorary) Companion of the Order of St. Michael and St George (CMG).

**Dr Lars Waldorf**  
(Senior Lecturer, Centre for Applied  
Human Rights, York Law School)



Lars is a senior lecturer in international human rights law at York Law School and the Centre for Applied Human Rights. He practiced as a civil rights and poverty lawyer in the US for nine years, including five years as a senior trial attorney with the Justice Department.

After an interlude as a journalist reporting on genocide trials at the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda, he ran Human Rights Watch's field office in Rwanda in 2002 and 2003. Lars was a Visiting Fellow at Harvard Law School's Human Rights Program in 2004.

Lars previously taught at the Institute of Commonwealth Studies (University of London), The New School and Harvard College. In the past few years, he has worked as a consultant for the International Center for Transitional Justice, the Committee to Protect Journalists, the Coalition to Stop the Use of Child Soldiers, and Front Line Defenders.