

**News and Events :-**

The Summer Peacebuilding Institute (SPI) provides specialized, **intensive training in peacebuilding**, conflict transformation, trauma healing, and restorative justice to practitioners from around the world. SPI is a program of the Conflict Transformation Program (CTP) at Eastern Mennonite University (EMU) in Harrisonburg, Virginia. Details of the program are available at <http://www.emu.edu/ctp/spi.html>

The School for International Training's (SIT) conflict transformation programs engage participants in an intense process of study, self-reflection, community building, and collaborative problem solving within a multicultural learning environment. SIT's commitment to conflict transformation and the building of a more peaceful and sustainable world is embodied in a comprehensive set of programs. **CONTACT--Conflict Transformation Across Cultures--is one of professional development program designed to strengthen and support the community-building, coexistence** and conflict intervention and resolution efforts of peacebuilders from the United States and around the world. Details of the course available at: <http://www.sit.edu/contact/seminars/africa.html>

The Institute for Justice and Peacebuilding (IJP) is the applied and research arm of the Conflict Transformation Program which offers direct services in the form of trainings; consultancies; peace-process design; victim offender conferencing; conciliation; mediation; action-oriented research. The mission of the Institute is to foster the construction of justice and peace through the empowerment and mobilization of people, institutions, and resources in context, and to promote the transformation of unjust structures and relationships through integrative and culturally appropriate approaches to practice and learning. www.emu.edu/ctp/ijp.html

International Online Training Program on Intractable Conflict: "**Peacebuilding - Official Efforts of UN and Regional Organizations**". Conflict Research Consortium, University of Colorado, USA. <http://www.colorado.edu/conflict/peace/treatment/peacebld.htm>

International Online Training Program on Intractable Conflict: "**Cross-Cultural Communication Strategies**". Cross-cultural communication strategies are designed to help people with different interaction styles communicate with one another more effectively in conflict situations. <http://www.colorado.edu/conflict/peace/treatment/xcolcomm.htm>

As a celebration of the beginning of the new millennium, "**I Have a Dream: Bridging Diversity and Building Peace**" is a cyber event built around the global themes of tolerance, peace and celebration of cultural diversity. Using the words of Martin Luther King Jr., "I have a dream" as a starting point for reflection, students around the world are invited to share their vision of peace for the new millennium. <http://www.occdsb.on.ca/~sel/dream/>

Useful Documents :-

"**The Great Lakes Conflict: Strategies for Building Long-Term Peace**" By Dr. Richard Griggs, 1997, Center For World Indigenous Studies. This is one of the background briefings which are oral presentations whereby interested parties can hear about the center's ongoing research, ask questions, and collect papers and materials that is hoped will lead to a deepened understanding and analysis of contemporary conflicts as evidenced in news reporting and policy-making. <http://www.cwis.org/burtalk.html>

A Special report on "**Postgenocidal Reconstruction: Building Peace in Rwanda and Burundi**" by John Prendergast and David Smock. This is the third and final report in a series on African conflict-resolution efforts. This report results from a fact-finding mission by the Institute's Coordinator for Africa Activities David Smock and Executive Fellow John Prendergast to the Great Lakes during July 1999. Discussions were held with over 200 government and civil-society leaders in the Great Lakes, OAU officials, UN representatives, U.S. and European aid and diplomatic officials, and international NGO employees. <http://www.usip.org/oc/sr/sr990915/sr990915.html>

Report on "**The Effectiveness of Civil Society Initiatives in Controlling Violent Conflicts and Building Peace: A Study of Three Approaches in the Greater Horn of Africa**" - June 2001. Greater Horn of Africa Peace Building. http://www.usaid.gov/regions/afr/conflictweb/pbp_report.pdf

Working paper No. 7, 2000. "**Peace-Making in the New World Disorder: A Study of the Afghan Conflict and Attempts to Resolve it**" by M Fielden and J Goodhand. http://idpm.man.ac.uk/wp/cpe/cpe_wp07.zip

Working paper on "**NGOs and Peace Building in Complex Political Emergencies: Agency Surveys from Liberia**" by P Atkinson and E Mulbah. http://idpm.man.ac.uk/wp/cpe/cpe_wp10.zip

An article: "**The Dilemmas of Transitional Justice**," in *Transitional Justice*, ed. Neil J. Kritz, (Washington, D.C.: United States Institute of Peace Press, 1995). This is an article about the dilemmas new governments face regarding peacebuilding and reconciliation efforts with the old regime. <http://www.colorado.edu/conflict/peace/example/krit3285.htm>

A book entitled: "**From Reaction to Conflict Prevention: Opportunities for the UN System**", edited by Fen Hampson and David Malone. The essays in this volume represent some of the best scholarly and policy-relevant work on the practical challenges of conflict prevention within the UN system. They review some of the recent findings regarding conflict trends and their causes with a view to better informing conflict prevention strategy and implementation undertaken by the host of UN Departments and Agencies active in this area. They also identify opportunities for making existing and nascent capacity for conflict prevention more effectively operational within the UN system at large. (http://www.ipacademy.org/Publications/Books/PublBookIndex_body.htm)

"**African Conflict Journal**". The African Conflict Journal (ACJ) aims to serve as a forum to bring together practical, structural and theoretical approaches to conflict analysis and prevention in Africa. The ACJ is creating an all-encompassing, organized and engaging forum for those involved in conflict regions, solutions, study or debate of conflict in Africa. <http://www.africanconflict.org/index.php>

"**Peace, Conflict and Development**" an interdisciplinary journal focusing on contemporary issues in Conflict and Peace Studies. Innovative writing on a wide range of topics related to Peace, Conflict & Development from an interdisciplinary perspective (sociology, politics, international relations, anthropology, development studies, philosophy). <http://www.peacestudiesjournal.org.uk/>

"**Conflict Resolution and Peacebuilding: A Selected Bibliography**" by Catherine Morris. This bibliography with more than twenty-five topic areas is intended as a starting place for any research on conflict resolution, dispute processing, peacebuilding or peace studies. <http://www.peacemakers.ca/bibliography/bibintro99.html>

An article on "**Pre-negotiation and Circum-negotiation: Arenas of the Peace Process**" by Harold Saunders. This article discusses the relationship between various diplomatic "tracks" (or what Saunders calls "arenas" of the peace process) and how they interrelate and support each other. <http://www.colorado.edu/conflict/peace/example/saun7270.htm>

A Working Paper Series from Swiss Peace Foundation, Center for Peacebuilding (KOFF) on "**Media and Peacebuilding-- Concepts, Actors and Challenges**", by Christoph Spurr November 2002. <http://www.swisspeace.org/uploads/mediestudie.pdf>

An article on: "**Conflict Management Policy Analysis**" in *From Confrontation to Cooperation*, by J. Rothman, Newbury Park, CA: Sage, --This article illustrates the importance of track two, problem solving workshops as an alternative to the more adversarial first track diplomatic approaches. <http://www.colorado.edu/conflict/peace/example/roth7308.htm>

An article by James Lee Ray entitled "**Does democracy cause peace?**" from the *Annual Reviews of Political Science* 1998. 1:27-46. <http://www.mtholyoke.edu/acad/intrel/ray.htm>

Part of the Annual Report of the Secretary-General of the United Nations Boutros Boutros-Ghali on the work of the Organization 1995: "**Post-conflict peace-building**". <http://www.un.org/docs/SG/SG-Rpt/ch4h.htm>

An article by Raymond Aron, on "**Peace and War: A Theory of International Relations- From Machtpolitik to Power Politics**" Garden City, NY: Doubleday & Company, 1966, pp. 591-600. <http://www.mtholyoke.edu/acad/intrel/aron.htm>