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Training in Peacebuilding Programming in Conflict & Post Conflict settings in Africa; 23rd to 27th June 2025 online (on Zoom)

Target groups: Peacebuilding and Conflict Transformation practitioners from state and non- state organizations operating in Africa.

Language of facilitation: English

Charges: US \$ 400: This amount covers online tuition on Zoom, resource materials and a certificate of Completion

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Introduction

The period 1990-1999 in Africa was significant in the context of peacebuilding and conflict transformation. It was during this period that many countries including those that had enjoyed relative peace for years experienced bouts of civil war and cross border violent conflicts. Today, majority of these countries have moved from the crisis phase to the post conflict stage. However, this does not mean they are peaceful and many of them still experience pockets of violence and low social cohesion among their populations. They also grapple with challenges relating to peace and state-building and most conflict drivers e.g. skewed distribution of resources, weak electoral and judicial structures and marginalization of some of the groups are inadequately addressed. The level of fragility however differs from one country to another.

In the recent past, a number of African countries that were in the post conflict phase have rolled back to the conflict phase. A case in point is the conflict in the Democratic Republic of Congo that has taken regional dimensions and the on-going hostilities in Sudan.

According to the African Union Post Conflict Reconstruction and Development (2006) Policy Framework, post conflict peacebuilding in the continent should aim at; a) solidifying the fragile peace, b) addressing needs of the populations c) preventing escalation of disputes and, d) addressing the root causes of the conflicts. In his 1991 '*Agenda for Peace*' the former Secretary General of the UN, Dr. Boutros Boutros Ghali emphasised on the need for post conflict peacebuilding to identify, support and strengthen local structures involved in peacebuilding and conflict resolution.

This training in Peacebuilding Programming in Conflict & Post Conflict settings in Africa aims at equipping participants with the necessary knowledge and skills to enable them ably contribute to priority peacebuilding and conflict transformation themes in their contexts having in mind that peacebuilding work should be a continuous process in all contexts regardless of their stability levels.

In the past, participants to this training have been drawn from grassroots, national, regional and international agencies operating in the Central Africa Republic, Democratic Republic of Congo, Ethiopia, Kenya, Mali, Mozambique, Nigeria, Rwanda, Somalia, South Sudan, Sudan and Tanzania.

Key areas of focus:

- 1) Exploration of our Conflict and post conflict settings (DRC, Sudan and other countries represented in the training)
- 2) Conflict Analysis tools relevant for conflict & post conflict settings

- 3) Understanding Peacebuilding & Conflict Transformation; approaches to strategic peacebuilding
- 4) Programming for conflict and post conflict settings
- 5) Breaking cycles of violence; Collective trauma and healing
- 6) Understanding Conflict sensitivity in peacebuilding programming
- 7) Gender analysis and mainstreaming in conflict and post conflict settings

What participants will get from the training

- An enhanced understanding of different conflict and post-conflict settings in Africa (*the issues, the complexities and the peacebuilding opportunities*)
- Practical knowledge of conflict analysis tools useful in conflict and post conflict contexts.
- Increased understanding of peacebuilding programming options for conflict and post conflict settings
- A deeper understanding of what peacebuilding and conflict transformation entails
- Increased understanding of what strategic peacebuilding entails
- An increased understanding of breaking cycles of violence in post conflict settings using healing centred peacebuilding approaches
- An increased understanding of Conflict sensitive peacebuilding programming
- An overview of gender in post conflict settings plus the different tools for gender analysis in these contexts

Content Overview

1. Exploring our conflict and post conflict settings in Africa

In this session, participants will explore various conflict and post conflict countries that will be represented in the training with the aim of having a better understanding of:

- The key issues in the different sectors (social, economic, political and security)
- The complexities
- Existing peacebuilding opportunities

2. Conflict Analysis Tools

This session will introduce participants to different tools of analysis that can enable them improve their understanding of their operating contexts as well as help in informing their peacebuilding programming

3. Peacebuilding Programming for conflict & post conflict settings

This session aims at introducing participants to some key programming options that are relevant for conflict and post conflict settings drawing from different frameworks developed for the continent

4. Peacebuilding and Conflict Transformation

This session will involve delving deeper into the concepts of peacebuilding and conflict transformation. There will also be discussions on approaches to strategic conflict and post conflict peacebuilding which we can adopt in our programming options

5. Breaking cycles of violence; Collective trauma and healing

Violence is widespread in conflict and post-conflict settings at individual, community and structural levels. This session will explore how violence at different levels is inter-linked and the healing strategies available at each level and how this can be infused into peacebuilding programming.

6. Understanding Conflict sensitivity in peacebuilding programming

This session is aimed at enabling participants appreciate the importance of being conflict sensitive in peacebuilding programming so that their interventions do not exacerbate the conflict or post conflict context

7. Gender in conflict and post-conflict settings

This session will outline the gender dimensions in conflict and post conflict settings, introduce participants to the principles of gender mainstreaming and to the different tools of analysis that they can use to mainstream gender in their conflict and post conflict peacebuilding programmes

Trainers/Facilitators

This training will be conducted by seasoned peacebuilding practitioners with years of experience designing and conducting peacebuilding trainings and programmes for conflict and post conflict settings in the continent of Africa and beyond. In addition, some of the trainers are seasoned peacebuilding academicians, researchers and have authored publications relevant to peacebuilding in the continent.

Training Methodologies

The training will be conducted online on the Zoom platform. It will make use a wide range of participatory adult learning models including inquiry, case study analysis, individual and online group tasks and reflections from participants' and facilitators experiences.

Charges

US\$ 400: This amount covers online tuition, e-resource materials and e- Certificate of Completion.

Payment should be done before the start of the training via direct electronic transfer (kindly ask for our banking details) or by cheque (only available for organizations based in Kenya)

Application process

Application documents are available on:

<https://cgpg-africa.org/training/training-in-peacebuilding-programming-in-post-conflict-settings-in-africa-23rd-to-27th-june-2025-online-on-zoom/>

Kindly send your filled in application form to any of the addresses below:

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Some organizations who have supported staff to our past trainings:

1. African Centre for Governance, Peace & Transitional Studies-Sudan
2. Caritas-Ethiopia
3. Caritas Switzerland
4. Catholic Agency for Overseas Development (CAFOD)-Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC)
5. Catholic Diocese of Malindi-Commission For Interreligious Dialogue & Ecumenism (CIRDE) -Kenya
6. Christian Aid-Nigeria
7. Christian Blind Mission South Sudan
8. Cordaid Rwanda, Uganda & Zimbabwe
9. Embassy of Canada in Ethiopia
10. Geneina University-Sudan
11. GIZ-CPS Programme-Kenya
12. Hope Restoration South Sudan
13. Humanity & Inclusion-Kenya
14. Jesuit Refugee Service-South Sudan
15. Kenya Catholic Bishops-Commission For Interreligious Dialogue & Ecumenism (CIRDE)
16. Khartoum University-Sudan
17. Kituo Cha Sheria-Kenya
18. Local Government-Rwanda
19. Network for Religious & Traditional Peacemakers/Finn Church Aid-Kenya Mozambique & Somalia

20. Nonviolent PeaceForce-South Sudan
21. Organization For Rural Development Initiative-South Sudan
22. Saferworld-Somalia
23. Salesian Sisters of Don Bosco Gumbo-South Sudan
24. UNDP-Tanzania
25. United States Institute of Peace
26. United Nations Mission in South Sudan (UNMISS)-Child Protection & Gender Units
27. United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Central Africa Republic (MINUSCA)-CAR
28. UN Women Tanzania
29. SOS Sahel-Sudan
30. South Sudan Council of Churches
31. South Sudan Red Cross
32. Tearfund-Burundi
33. The Hunger Project-Uganda
34. The Organization for Children's Harmony SOUTH Sudan (TOCH-SS)
35. University of Kordofan-Sudan
36. Warchild UK, DRC & Warchild Holland-South Sudan
37. Worldwide Fund For Nature-DRC

The Centre for Gender, Peace & Governance –Africa (CGPG-Africa)

CGPG-Africa is a regional organization started in 2015 by a group of peacebuilding and development practitioners and academicians with years of practical and theoretical knowledge in areas relevant to programming options and trainings in post-conflict settings in Africa and beyond.

The organization's key mandate is to strengthen capacities of practitioners and organizations working in post-conflict settings in Africa so that their programming is more relevant and responsive. Our areas of focus are in the Horn of Africa, Great Lakes region and Eastern Africa.

Our training programme, which has been operational since 2021 has trained participants drawn from Burundi, Central Africa Republic, Democratic Republic of Congo, Ethiopia, Kenya, Mali, Mozambique, Nigeria, Rwanda, Somalia, South Sudan, Sudan, Tanzania, Uganda and Zimbabwe.

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