

The Transformation of Intractable Conflicts III

Challenges and Perspectives for Interactive Problem Solving and Conflict Resolution

March 16 - 18, 2017

Thursday, 16 March, 2017

VENUE: MINDA DE GUNZBURG CENTER FOR EUROPEAN STUDIES | LOWER LEVEL ROOM | 27 KIRKLAND STREET, CAMBRIDGE, MA

4:00 – 7:00 pm **Middle East Seminar:** New Visions and Strategies for an Israeli-Palestinian Peace
Session co-sponsored by the **Harvard Middle East Seminar** and the **Harvard Middle East Forum**

Chair | **Sara Roy**, Senior Research Scholar at the Center for Middle Eastern Studies, Harvard University

Presentation of the Grand Decoration of Honour for Services to the Republic of Austria to Herbert C. Kelman

- **Georg Heindl**, General Consul of Austria in New York
- **Wolfgang Petritsch**, President of the Austrian Marshall Plan Foundation; Ambassador (ret)
- **Herbert C. Kelman**, Richard Clarke Cabot Professor of Social Ethics, Emeritus, Harvard University

Middle East Seminar

Speakers |

- A Video Welcome Message from **Frederik Willem de Klerk**, Former State President of South Africa
- **Shibley Telhami**, Anwar Sadat Professor for Peace and Development at the University of Maryland, College Park, and nonresident Senior Fellow at the Saban Center at the Brookings Institution
- **Hilik Bar**, Deputy Speaker of the Knesset, Secretary General of the Labor Party

Moderator | **Gudrun Kramer**, Head of Programmes Supporting Palestinian Refugees, GIZ; Co-founder of the Herbert C. Kelman Institute

Discussants |

- **George Assoua**, Founder of The Dual Democracies Initiative - DDI (London - Jerusalem), International Corporate Adviser, Co-Founder & former Director General of The Council for Palestinian Social and Economic Development-COPSED (London) and Co-Founder and former Co-Chairman of The Foundation for Arab Israeli Reconciliation-FAIR
- **Jerome Segal**, President and Founder of The Jewish Peace Lobby, Director, The Peace Consultancy Project, University of Maryland
- **Oday Abukarsh**, Social and Political Activist
- **Ofer Zalberg**, Senior Analyst with the Middle East Program of the International Crisis Group

Friday, 17 March 2017

VENUE: S020 - BELFER CASE STUDY ROOM | CGIS SOUTH | 1730 CAMBRIDGE ST, CAMBRIDGE, MA

8:30 – 9:00 am **Arrival and Welcome Coffee**

9:00 – 9:15 am **Welcome and Opening Remarks**

- **Wolfgang Petritsch**, President of the Austrian Marshall Plan Foundation
- **Herbert Kelman**, Richard Clarke Cabot Professor of Social Ethics, Emeritus, Harvard University

9:15 – 11:00 am **Session 1 | Interactive Problem-Solving: Connecting Conflict Resolution, Negotiation of Identity and Reconciliation**

Chair | **Ariela Bairey Ben-Ishay**, Beit Ber | Academic College, Director of Program on Group Facilitation in a Diverse Society.

- **Ronald Fisher**, Professor of International Relations in the division of International Peace and Conflict Resolution, American University
- **Werner Wintersteiner**, Professor (ret.) and Founder of the Center for Peace Research and Peace Education at Alpen-Adria University Klagenfurt
- **Tamra Pearson d'Estrée**, Henry R. Luce Professor of Conflict Resolution, Josef Korbel School of International Studies, and Director of the Center for Research & Practice, Conflict Resolution Institute at the University of Denver
- **Shibley Telhami**, Anwar Sadat Professor for Peace and Development at the University of Maryland, College Park, and nonresident Senior Fellow at the Saban Center at the Brookings Institution

Discussant | **Luc Reyckler**, Emeritus Professor of International Relations at the Faculty of Social Sciences at the University of Leuven. Former Director of the Center for Peace Research and Strategic Studies

11:00 – 11:30 am **Coffee Break**

11:30 – 1:15 pm **Session 2 | Interactive Problem-Solving and Related Approaches: What can we learn from each other?**

Chair | **Jürgen Pirker**, Assistant Professor at the University of Graz Institute of Public Law and Political Science

- **Susan H. Allen**, Director of the Center for Peacemaking Practice at George Mason University.
- **Peter Jones**, Associate Professor Public and International Affairs Faculty of Social Sciences University of Ottawa
- **Oliver Ramsbotham**, Professor of Conflict Resolution at the Department of Peace Studies at the University of Bradford, Chair of the Board of Trustees of the Oxford Research Group
- **Jay Rothman**, Associate Professor, Graduate program in Conflict Management. Resolution and Negotiation, Bar Ilan University, Co-editor, International Journal of Conflict Engagement and Resolution

Discussant | **Eileen Babbitt**, Professor of Practice of International Conflict Management, Director of the Institute for Human Security, and Co-Director of the Program on Human Rights and Conflict Resolution at The Fletcher School.

1:15 – 2:30 pm **Lunch Break**

2:30 – 5:00 pm **Session 3 | Workshops on Methodological Innovations for Conflict Transformation**

- **Psycho-social Conflict Analysis** with **David Becker** | Room S153
David Becker is Professor of Psychology at the Sigmund Freud Private University, Berlin, and co-founder of the Office for Psychosocial Issues
- **Interactive Problem Solving Workshops** with **Tamra Pearson d'Estrée & Ronald Fisher** | Room S003
Tamra Pearson d'Estrée is Henry R. Luce Professor of Conflict Resolution, Josef Korbel School of International Studies, Ronald Fisher is Professor Emeritus of International Relations at American University

- **Dignity Workshop** with **Donna Hicks** | Room S001
Donna Hicks is an Associate at the Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Harvard University; Founder of Declare Dignity
- **Interactive Conflict Transformation** with **Gudrun Kramer & Wilfried Graf** | Room S040
Gudrun Kramer is Head of Programmes Supporting Palestinian Refugees at the GIZ
Wilfried Graf is Co-director of the Herbert C. Kelman Institute for Interactive Conflict Transformation

Saturday, 18 March, 2017

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9:00 – 10:45 am **Session 4** | From the Grassroots to International Organizations: Linking Interactive Problem-Solving with Peacebuilding and Mediation Efforts at all Levels

Chair | **Wolfgang Petritsch**, President of the Austrian Marshall Plan Foundation, Ambassador (ret.)

- **David Becker**, Professor of Psychology at the Sigmund Freud Private University, Berlin, and co-founder of the Office for Psychosocial Issues
- **Maria Hadjipavlou**, Cyprus Gender Advisory Team and Associate Professor, Department of Social and Political Sciences, University of Cyprus
- **Christopher Mitchell**, Professor Emeritus of Conflict Analysis and Resolution, School for Conflict Analysis & Resolution, George Mason University
- **Andrea Warnecke**, Senior Researcher at the Austrian Study Center for Peace and Conflict Resolution

Discussant | **Benedikt Harzl**, Austrian Marshall Plan Foundation Fellow, University of Graz

10:45 – 11:15 am **Coffee Break**

11:15 – 1:00 pm **Session 5** | Interactive Problem-Solving and Political-Religious Dialogue

Chair | **Thangamuthu Jayasingam**, Vice-Chancellor of Eastern University - Sri Lanka

- **Joseph Montville**, Board Chair and Senior Fellow at the Center for World Religions Diplomacy & Conflict Resolution, George Mason University
- **Maya Kahanoff**, Professor of Conflict Research, Management & Resolution, Swiss Center, Hebrew University, and Associate Research Fellow at the Truman Research Institute for the Advancement of Peace, Hebrew University
- **Feras Kheirallah**, Beirut Office Representative of the Berghof Foundation
- **Ofer Zalberg**, Senior Analyst with the Middle East Program of the International Crisis Group

Discussant | **Jeff Seul**, Chairman of the Peace Appeal Foundation

1:00 – 2:00 pm **Lunch**

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2:00 – 4:00 pm **Session 6** | Facilitated Discussion: Establishing a Community of Scholar-Practitioners for Interactive Conflict Transformation

Session facilitated by **Astrid Reinprecht**, Lecturer in Political Science at the University of Vienna and Certified mediator

4:00 – 4:30 pm **Closing**

With **Gudrun Kramer** and **Augustin Nicolescou**

6:00 – 9:30 pm **Event Celebrating Herbert C. Kelman's 90th Birthday**

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