

**2015 Alliance for Peacebuilding Annual Conference**  
*Peacebuilding and Democracy in a Turbulent World*

**UNITED STATES INSTITUTE OF PEACE**  
**WASHINGTON, DC**  
**May 13, 2015**

**AGENDA**

<u>Time</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Location</u>
8:30 AM	<b>Check-in</b>	Leland Atrium
9:00 AM	<b>Welcome</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nancy Lindborg, President, United States Institute of Peace (USIP)</li> <li>• Melanie Greenberg, President &amp; CEO, Alliance for Peacebuilding (AfP)</li> </ul>	Carlucci Auditorium
9:10 AM	<b>Introductory Remarks by Sarah Sewall, Under Secretary for Civilian Security, Democracy, and Human Rights, U.S. Department of State</b>	Carlucci Auditorium
9:25 AM	<b>Peacebuilding and Democracy in a Turbulent World: Views from the State Department and the US Institute of Peace, An Interview featuring:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sarah Sewall, Under Secretary for Civilian Security, Democracy, and Human Rights, USAID</li> <li>• Nancy Lindborg, President, USIP</li> <li>• Moderator: Melanie Greenberg, President &amp; CEO, AfP</li> </ul>	Carlucci Auditorium
10:25 AM	<b>Break</b>	Leland Atrium
10:45 AM	<b>Silencing Voices: The Crisis of Shrinking Civil Society Space Around the World</b> Active space for civil society engagement is a foundation for sustainable peace. However, around the world there is an alarming trend towards government restrictions that are making it exceedingly more dangerous for those conducting this work. This panel highlights	Carlucci Auditorium

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	<p>the key issues and potential solutions from both peacebuilding and democracy perspectives.</p> <p><b>Opening Panel Remarks by Rosarie Tucci, U.S. Agency for International Development</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sir Michael Leigh, Transatlantic Academy Fellow, German Marshall Fund</li> <li>• Thania Paffenholz, Senior Researcher, Centre on Conflict, Peacebuilding and Development, the Graduate Institute Geneva</li> <li>• Maria Stephan, Senior Policy Fellow, USIP</li> <li>• Kamissa Camara, Senior Program Officer for West and Central Africa, National Endowment for Democracy</li> <li>• Moderator: George Lopez, Vice President, Academy for International Conflict Management and Peacebuilding, USIP</li> <li>• Q&amp;A to follow</li> </ul>	
12:15 PM	<p><b>Lunch</b></p> <p><b><u>Optional Program</u></b>  <b><i>Ask an Expert: Your Most Pressing Evaluation Questions Answered Over Lunch</i></b>  <i>Join members of the Peacebuilding Evaluation Consortium Advisory Board and Effective Inter-religious Peacebuilding Global Advisory Council for small group discussions in which you set the agenda. From Outcome Harvesting, Complexity in Evaluation, basic peacebuilding M&amp;E, to how to get involved in 2015: the Year of Evaluation – we'll answer all your questions on peacebuilding evaluation and learning.</i></p>	<p>Great Hall</p> <p>B241</p>
1:15 PM	<p><b>Innovation Forum: How Neuroscience is Revolutionizing Peacebuilding</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Emile Bruneau, Research Scientist, Saxelab, Massachusetts Institute of Technology</li> <li>• Dr. Betsy Levy Paluck, Assistant Professor of Psychology and Public Affairs at Princeton University</li> </ul>	<p>Carlucci Auditorium</p>



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Moderator: Timothy Phillips, Co-Founder and Chairman of the Board, Beyond Conflict</li> <li>Q&amp;A to follow</li> </ul>	
2:30 PM	Move to concurrent panels	Leland Atrium
3:00–4:15PM	<p><b>Concurrent Panels:</b></p> <p><i>Who are you calling extreme? Governance, Religion, and Radicalization in the Age of Terrorism</i></p> <p>This session will offer perspectives on violent extremism from the communities most directly affected by radicalization. Speakers will lead an honest conversation about what really attracts young Muslims to extremist movements, and provide a cultural context for understanding how local communities experience this phenomenon. The discussion will explore the dynamic forces of governance, religion, and radicalization that shape this defining issue of our time.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Moderator: John Filson, Senior Manager for Policy, AfP</li> </ul> <p><i>Establishing Positive Peace: Identifying the Drivers of Conflict and Resilience in Mexico</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enrique Betancourt, Founder, Contextual</li> <li>Michelle Breslauer, US Program Manager, Institute for Economics and Peace</li> <li>John Feeley, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs, US Department of State</li> <li>Miguel Álvarez Gandara, President, Serapaz</li> <li>Moderator: Tani Adams, Coordinator, International Working Group on Chronic Violence and Human Development</li> <li>Q&amp;A to follow</li> </ul> <p><i>Youth &amp; Conflict: Moving Beyond Narrow Frames of Countering Violent Extremism</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Patrick Fine, CEO, FHI 360</li> </ul>	<p>Carlucci Auditorium</p> <p>Kathwari Auditorium</p> <p>B241</p>



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Robert Jenkins, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Democracy, Conflict and Humanitarian Assistance, U.S. Agency for International Development (<i>Invited</i>)</li><li>• Elohim Monard, Rotary Peace Fellow</li><li>• Victor Ochen, Executive Director, African Youth Initiative Network (AYINET) - Uganda</li><li>• Ann Vaughan, Director of Policy and Advocacy, Mercy Corps</li><li>• Moderator: Manal Omar, Acting Vice President, Center for Middle East and Africa, USIP</li></ul>	
4:15 – 5:00 PM	<b>Coffee Hour and Gallery Walk</b>	International Women's Commons

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**1825 CONNECTICUT AVE NW, 8TH FLOOR**  
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**May 14 to 15, 2015**

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8:30 AM	<b>Check-in</b>	Registration Desk
	<b>Morning Soapbox:</b> <i>an open mic opportunity for conference participants to give brief (2-4 minute) introductions about their work</i>	Academy Hall
9:00 AM	<b>Welcome</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Debbie Kennedy, Chief Operating Officer, FHI 360</li> <li>Melanie Greenberg, President &amp; CEO, Alliance for Peacebuilding</li> </ul>	Academy Hall
9:10 AM	<b>Creative Forum Exploring the Linkages Between Peacebuilding and Democracy</b> The peacebuilding field often talks about governance issues, but rarely engages democracy experts. This session explores firsthand experiences that illuminate the gaps and opportunities between peacebuilding and democracy.  <b>Opening Remarks</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Co-Facilitator: Neil Levine, Director, Center of Excellence for Democracy, Human Rights and Governance, U.S. Agency for International Development</li> <li>Co-Facilitator: Julia Roig, President, Partners for Democratic Change</li> </ul>	Academy Hall

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	<p><b>Storytelling Session</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tom Carothers, Vice President for Studies, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace</li> <li>• Joseph Sany, Consultant on Peacebuilding and Youth Livelihoods, S&amp;B Consulting</li> <li>• Vasu Mohan, Regional Director, Europe and Asia, International Foundation for Electoral Systems</li> </ul> <p><b>Concluding Remarks by Neil Levine and Julia Roig</b></p>	
10:45 AM	<p><b>Break &amp; Peacebuilding Marketplace</b> Open space for sharing, connecting, and inspiring. Participants are invited to walk the “Exhibit Hall” featuring publications, projects, and presentations from a wide range of individuals and organizations.</p>	Academy Hall Foyer
11:15 AM	<p><b>Concurrent Panels &amp; Workshops featuring:</b></p> <p><b>Electoral Violence</b> 2015 is a year of major elections around the world, from Nigeria to Burundi, not to mention the upcoming US Presidential elections in 2016. This panel and interactive discussion will focus on how the “winner-takes-all” approach to elections and the mobilization of violence highlights the need for peacebuilders to work with the democracy community on making the underlying principles more inclusive.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vivian Lowery-Derryck, President &amp; CEO, The Bridges Institute</li> <li>• Patrick Merloe, Director, Global Elections, National Democratic Institute</li> <li>• Vasu Mohan, Regional Director, Europe and Asia, International Foundation for Electoral Systems</li> <li>• Moderator: TBD</li> <li>• Q&amp;A to follow</li> </ul>	Academy Hall



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	<p><b>Leveraging Social Movements Against Corruption: a People-Powered Approach</b></p> <p>Anger over corruption lies around the root of a wide range of violence and extremism around the world. Corruption is often discussed at a high-level institutional perspective but new research suggests that grassroots social movements can be a powerful force for change. This panel illuminates the ways in which peacebuilding and democracy can work together to counter corruption.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shaazka Beyerle, author of <i>Curtailing Corruption: People Power for Accountability and Justice</i>, Senior Advisor at the International Center on Nonviolent Conflict</li> <li>• Cheyanne Church, Founder, Besa: Catalyzing Social Change</li> <li>• Moderator: Blair Glencorse, Executive Director, Accountability Lab</li> <li>• Q&amp;A to follow</li> </ul>	Vista Room
	<p><b>Business and Social Enterprise for Peace</b></p> <p>In this participatory Roundtable, panelists and participants will explore how CSOs are adopting new business models to generate market-based funding streams and apply new social investment approaches to promote peacebuilding, stability and good governance.</p> <p>Ashish Gadnis?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Diana Chigas, Co-Director of Collaborative Learning, CDA Collaborative Learning Projects</li> <li>• Cameron Peake, Social Innovations Program Officer, Mercy Corps (<i>Invited</i>)</li> <li>• Julia Roig, President, Partners for Democratic Change</li> <li>• Moderator: Craig Zelizer, Associate Director of the MA in Conflict Resolution, Department of Government, Georgetown University</li> </ul>	Balcony Rm E
1:15 – 2:15 PM	<b>Lunch</b>	Academy Hall Foyer



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2:30 PM	<p><b>Peacebuilding in the US</b></p> <p>We often think about peacebuilding as something that happens “over there.” This discussion will focus on the culture of violence within the United States, and the need for peacebuilding within our own communities. The panel will explore different perspectives on peacebuilding within the US, particularly in the wake of Ferguson and deep division over local conflict. It will also examine how to strengthen the links between the domestic and international conflict resolution and peacebuilding fields.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Karen Volker, Director, Washington Office, Cure Violence</li> <li>• Luis Cardona, Youth Violence Prevention Coordinator, Rockville, Maryland Department of Health and Human Services</li> <li>• Moderator: Alissa Wilson, Public Education and Advocacy Coordinator for Africa, American Friends Service Committee</li> <li>• Q&amp;A to follow</li> </ul>	Academy Hall
3:45 PM	<p><b>Break &amp; Peacebuilding Marketplace</b></p> <p>Open space for sharing, connecting, and inspiring. Participants are invited to walk the “Exhibit Hall” featuring publications, projects, and presentations from a wide range of individuals and organizations.</p>	Academy Hall Foyer
4:15–5:15PM	<p><b>Members’ Business Meeting</b></p>	Academy Hall
5:45 – 7:00 PM	<p><b>Cocktail Reception featuring a talk and performance by Grammy Award-winning Jazz Musician Bob Belden</b></p>	Academy Hall Foyer

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9:00 AM	<b>Move to Concurrent Sessions</b>	
9:00 – 10:30 AM	<p><b>The State of the Peacebuilding Field</b> As ISIS spreads through the Middle East, Ebola roils West Africa, and conflict destabilizes Ukraine, it is clear that we need new conceptual lenses and creative approaches for managing global violence. With this in mind, 2015 is a big year for peacebuilding: UN review of the peacebuilding and peacekeeping architecture, unveiling of the Sustainable Development Goals, and key 2015 elections worldwide. This session will address (1) <i>Where are the biggest opportunities for the peacebuilding field?</i> (2) <i>What are the monsters, the terrifying challenges, facing the peacebuilding field?</i> (3) <i>What are the greatest joys/pleasures about the peacebuilding field currently?</i></p> <p><b>Opening Remarks by:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ambassador Rick Barton</li> <li>• Melissa Brown, Director, Office of Conflict Management and Mitigation, USAID</li> <li>• Shamil Idriss, President, Search for Common Ground</li> <li>• Moderator: Robert Ricigliano, Co-Director, Partnership for Sustainability and Peacebuilding, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee (<i>Invited</i>)</li> </ul> <p><b>Small-Group Discussions on Various Topics led by:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Criminal Violence: David Alpher, Washington Associate, Saferworld</li> <li>• Designing for Peace: Ann Pendleton-Jullian, Professor of Architecture, Ohio State University</li> <li>• Global Health: Derick Brinkerhoff, Distinguish Fellow, International Public Management, RTI International</li> </ul>	Academy Hall

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Media: Caty Borum Chattoo, Executive in Residence, American University, and Principal Investigator &amp; Creative Director, Center for Media &amp; Social Impact, American University</li> <li>• Quaker Shared Security: Alissa Wilson, Public Education and Advocacy Coordinator for Africa , American Friends Service Committee (<i>Invited</i>); Theo Stitther, Legislative Secretary for Peacebuilding Policy, Friends Committee on National Legislation</li> <li>• Resilience: Graeme Simpson, Director, Policy and Learning Interpeace (<i>Invited</i>)</li> <li>• United Nations: Andrew Tomlinson, Director, Quaker United Nations Office of New York</li> </ul> <p><b>Closing Remarks: How to Build a Case Statement for the Field, by Robert J. Berg, Trustee, World Academy of Art and Science and Emeritus Board Member, AfP</b></p>	
9:05 AM – 2:00 PM	<p><b>Professional Development Workshop</b></p> <p>This interactive and collaborative session provides an opportunity for students, young professionals and mid-career professionals to discuss how to improve the internship experience, both from an intern perspective and to encourage organizational change. The session also features a resume-building workshop and the chance to network with professional peacebuilders. The goal for the session is to capture valuable lessons and develop a guide for success.</p>	Vista Room
10:30 AM	<p><b>Break &amp; Peacebuilding Marketplace</b></p> <p>Open space for sharing, connecting, and inspiring. Participants are invited to walk the “Exhibit Hall” featuring publications, projects, and presentations from a wide range of individuals and organizations.</p>	Academy Hall Foyer
11:00 AM	<p><b>High-Level Perspectives on Funding for Peacebuilding: Successes, Challenges and Emerging Trends</b></p>	Academy Hall



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Studies, University of San Diego

***International Mediators Community of Practice (IMCP): Integrating Track II Interests and Ideas into Track I Negotiations***

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*Susan Podziba will discuss process design approaches that integrate Track II participation into Track 1 negotiations to build sustainable agreements. She will offer some of the challenges in doing so and engage attendees in discussions of overcoming barriers to such inclusive mediation processes.*

- Facilitator: Nathalie Al-Zyoud, Co-Founder, Communities in Transition
- Featured Speaker: Susan Podziba, Founder and Principal, Podziba Policy Mediation

***Local Peacebuilding***

Academy Hall

*How can our AfP community help strengthen locally-led peacebuilding and create greater space for local people affected by conflict to lead the transformation of their societies? We invite you to participate in a conversation about locally led peacebuilding; specifically to explore the possibility of forming an AfP affinity group on this topic.*

- Co-Facilitator: Jessica Berns, Consultant, Jessica Berns Consulting Services
- Co-Facilitator: Bridget Moix, Board Member, Peace Direct
- Host: Milt Lauenstein, Independent Philanthropist

***Neuroscience & Peacebuilding***

Vista Room B

- Facilitator: Ina Breuer, Executive Director, Beyond Conflict

***Systems & Complexity***

Angle Room C

- Facilitator: Robert Ricigliano, Co-Director, Partnership for Sustainable Peacebuilding, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

***Women & Peacebuilding***

Angle Room A



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Co-Facilitator: Kimberly Weichel, Former CEO, Peace X Peace</li> <li>• Co-Facilitator: Pari Farmani, Development and Network Coordinator, Institute for Inclusive Security</li> </ul>	
2:15 PM	<b>Break &amp; Move to Concurrent Sessions</b>	
2:30 PM	<b>Concurrent Sessions, featuring:</b>	
	<p><i>Increasing the Links between Peacebuilding and the Environment: A Multi-disciplinary Call to Action</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tom Bamat, Senior Technical Advisor for Justice &amp; Peacebuilding, Catholic Relief Services</li> <li>• Janet Edmond, Senior Director, Peace and Development Partnerships, Conservation International</li> <li>• Moderator: Carl Bruch, President, Environmental Law Institute</li> </ul>	Vista Room
	<p><i>Participatory Macro-Conflict Analysis</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Michelle Garred, Associate Director of Peacebuilding, World Vision</li> <li>• Rachel Locke, Senior Conflict and Peacebuilding Advisory, U.S. Agency for International Development</li> <li>• Moderator: Lisa Schirch, Director of Human Security, Alliance for Peacebuilding</li> </ul>	Academy Hall
3:45 PM	<b>Move to Concluding Session</b>	
3:50 PM	<p><b>Afternoon Energizer: Media &amp; Storytelling for Good or Evil</b> <i>Light refreshments will be served.</i></p>	Academy Hall
5:00 PM	<b>Adjourn</b>	