



## **EXECUTIVE TRAINING SEMINAR**

# Learning from Conflicts: Approaches to Peace-Building and the Role of Europe

Florence, 12-14 December 2018

Scientific Coordinators: Saumitra Jha | Stanford University and Luigi Narbone | European University Institute

Venue: Sala del Capitolo, Badia Fiesola, European University Institute

### ABSTRACT

This Executive Training Seminar focuses on approaches to conflict resolution and peace-building and the role that Europe can play in these processes. The informed audience will be exposed to insights from economics, political science, psychology and organizational behavior, as well as to the input and experiences of practitioners and researchers with deep understanding of the three case studies selected. In the specific the Executive Training will draw on practitioners' experience and on the latest academic analysis and field-based research in three strategic areas: drivers of conflicts; political and economic dimensions of conflict resolution and peace-building; approaches to diplomacy and negotiation. The participants will be immersed in a unique training where inputs for reflection and practical work will complement the comparative perspective adopted to focus on three conflicts: Syria, Colombia and Ukraine. This Seminar is aimed at the training and networking of EU's and EU Member States' practitioners and policy-makers, working in the field of conflict prevention and resolution, mediation, prevention of violent extremism and humanitarian assistance, and to officials from member governments, EU institutions and international organizations, as well as to practitioners from the private sector and NGOs.



### ■ PROGRAMME

## 12<sup>th</sup> December: The Drivers of Conflict

8.45-9.00	Institutional Greetings
	Renaud Dehousse   President of the European University Institute (tbc) Miguel Poiares Maduro   Director of the School of Transnational Governance (tbc)
9.00-9.30	Presentation of the Executive Training Seminar: Objectives and Learning Outcomes  Luigi Narbone   Director of Middles East Directions (MED) Programme, EUI
9.30-11.30	Thematic Introduction David D. Laitin   Stanford University
11.30-12.00	Coffee break
12.00-13.30	<b>Group Practicum: Parallel Sessions of the Country Groups</b> Chair: Luigi Narbone   EUI
13.30-14.30	Lunch (Sala della Colonna)
14.30-16.00	Views From the Field with a Focus on Drivers of Conflict in Ukraine András Rácz   Associate Professor, Pazmany Peter Catholic University, Budapest
	Remi Duflot   European External Action Service
16.00-16.30	General Discussion on the Views from the Field
16.30-17.00	Coffee break
17.00-18.00	<b>Group Practicum: Parallel Sessions of the Country Groups</b> Chair: Luigi Narbone   EUI
18.00-18.30	General Debriefing of the Country Groups' Activities for the Day
19.30	Welcome Dinner

## 13th December: Economic and Political Dimensions of Peace-building

9.00-11.00 **Thematic Introduction Saumitra Jha** | Stanford University



11.00-11.30	Coffee break
11.30-13.00	<b>Group Practicum: Parallel Sessions of the Country Groups</b> Chair: Luigi Narbone   EUI
13.00-14.00	Lunch (Sala della Colonna)
14.00-15.30	Views from the Field with a Focus on Economic and Political Dimensions of Peace-building in Syria Jihad Yazigi   Journalist Anis Nacrour   Former acting Head of European Union Delegation in Syria
15.30-16.00	General Discussion on the Views from the Field
16.00-16.30	Coffee break
16.30-17.30	<b>Group Practicum: Parallel Sessions of the Country Groups</b> Chair: Luigi Narbone   EUI
17.30-18.00	General Debriefing of the Country Groups' Activities for the Day

# 14<sup>th</sup> December: Negotiating Peace: Insights for Diplomacy from Psychology and Behavioural Game Theory

9.00-11.00	Thematic Introduction Lindred Leura Greer   Stanford University
11.00-11.30	Coffee break
11.30-13.00	Views from the Field with a Focus on Negotiating Peace in Colombia Nelson Camilo Sánchez   Dejusticia Rodrigo Uprimny   Dejusticia
13.00-13.30	General Discussion on the Views from the Field
13.30-14.30	Lunch
14.30-16.00	Group Practicum: Parallel Sessions of the Country Groups Chair: Luigi Narbone   EUI
16.00-18.00	<b>Final Country Group Presentations</b>
18.00-18.30	Final Remarks and Award of Certificates
18.30-19.00	Farewell Cocktail



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