



ENHANCING EU PEACEBUILDING CAPABILITIES

EU CAPABILITIES IN CONFLICT PREVENTION & PEACEBUILDING QUESTIONING THE COHERENCE OF THE EU EXTERNAL ACTION IN CONFLICT PREVENTION AND PEACEBUILDING

This event is part of the **WHOLE OF SOCIETY CONFLICT PREVENTION AND PEACEBUILDING** consortium research project, which is undertaking an assessment of EU capabilities for civilian peacebuilding. As part of its submission, the consortium has identified the appropriate use of ICTs as a critical measure of EU capabilities for conflict prevention and peacebuilding. Build Up and the LSE are researching the features of particular technologies and the opportunities, operational barriers and ethical dilemmas of their actual uses.

You can read an initial scoping paper here: <http://goo.gl/66cuzq>

For more information and other areas of research that are part of this project, see: <http://www.woscap.eu/>

SIRENE 50

This event is also part of the **SIRENE** seminars. **ESSEC IRENE** has organised since 2007 an interdisciplinary research seminar on negotiation (SIRENE). Research is a key issue for negotiation insofar as it contributes to the generation of original concepts, the academic recognition of this multidisciplinary field and, through PhD students, the emergence of a new generation of researchers. To achieve these objectives, the exchange between researchers as well as between researchers, trainers and practitioners, offers a stimulating path. Negotiation needs places and moments in which ideas cross-fertilize, and where best practices are shared. SIRENE is open for those who want to contribute to collective reflection on negotiation, its stakes and its challenges.



About the organizers:

Since 1996, and following operations in 72 countries to date, ESSEC's Institute for Research and Education on Negotiation (IRENE Paris, Singapore & Brussels) has developed as a centre of expertise in negotiation, conflict resolution, mediation, stakeholders' dialogue and the societal impact of corporations on fragile communities. IRENE is reputed for its research activities and publications translated in 9 languages; its post-conflict grassroots operations to restore dialogue ("Negotiators of the World" programme, member of EPLO); as well as its educational and capacity-building programmes designed and delivered for a wide range of higher education institutions, companies, public administrations, and international organizations. For more information: <http://irene.essec.edu/>



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ROUNDTABLE STRUCTURE

1:45PM - 2:00PM

REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS

2:00PM - 3:15PM

ADDRESSING THE CURRENT PROBLEMS AND CHALLENGES OF COHERENCE BETWEEN THE ACTORS INVOLVED IN PEACEBUILDING AND CONFLICT PREVENTION

In order to improve the strategy on coherence, the EU needs to identify what are the main problems to enforce the EU external action's strategy, fitting with various realities and actors on the ground.

Issues to be addressed:

- Does the definition of civil society provided by the EU enable EU actors to effectively implement the comprehensive approach?
- Does the EU consider the private sector belong to the civil society?
- Does the EU funding for peacebuilding contribute to the empowerment of local civil society, and does it enable the EU to work in coherence with local actors?

MODERATOR: Mary Martin, London School of Economics

SPEAKERS: Linda Benraïs – ESSEC IRENÉ

Cristina Barrios – EEAS

Gabriella Vogelaar – GPPAC

Ben Moore – EPLO

Followed by an open debate including comments from civil society & policymakers.

3:15PM - 4:30PM

HIGHLIGHTING THE ECONOMIC DIMENSION OF CONFLICT PREVENTION AND PEACEBUILDING THROUGH THE ROLE OF THE PRIVATE SECTOR, AND LINK WITH THE ECONOMIC DIPLOMACY

The economic dimension of conflict needs to be addressed in order to explore the important role played by the private sector. In that sense, private sector can be considered as a conflict or/and peace driver as well. Beyond that, the role of the private sector on conflict prevention and peacebuilding might be taken into consideration in the new reflection on the EU economic diplomacy.

ISSUES TO BE ADDRESSED:

- Is the economic dimension of conflict taken into consideration by the EU in its external action?
- How the role of private sector could be apprehended as a peace conflict and peace driver?
- What are the potential links between this reflection on private sector and the new concept of EU economic diplomacy?
- To what extent partnerships between the EU and the private sector are possible and useful?
- How can economic diplomacy improve the action of the EU in terms of peacebuilding and conflict prevention?
- Can economic diplomacy be a path for coherence among the EU institutions and policies?

MODERATOR: Linda Benraïs (ESSEC IRENÉ)

SPEAKERS: Mary Martin – LSE

Didier Schmitt – EEAS

Sonya Reines – EPLO

Followed by an open debate including comments from civil society & policymakers.

4:30PM - 5:00PM

COFFEE



REGISTRATION & FURTHER INFORMATION

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