



Institute for Conflict Transformation and Peacebuilding

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## 7th ICP International Summer Academy The Art of Conflict Transformation



## Peace Mediation: from conflict to cooperation

August 12th – 16th, 2014  
Caux International Conference Center, Switzerland

**Get a free participation for the International  
Peacebuilder's Forum (IPF) !**  
Summer academy participants can participate to the  
IPF for free, see registration form.

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## ICP International Summer Academy 2014: General Information

### Host Organization

The Institute for Conflict Transformation and Peacebuilding (ICP) is an independent and non-partisan non-governmental organization based in Switzerland. We are engaged in conflict transformation and peacebuilding in the public and private sector. We offer services in the following fields:

- Conflict Transformation and Dialogue Facilitation
- Training and Education
- Research and Teaching
- Awareness Raising and Public Relations



### The ICP International Summer Academy History

The first international ICP Summer Academy took place in July 2008 in Berne. It was centred on methods of conflict transformation and peacebuilding and their application in various professional contexts. The annual theme of the 2nd Summer Academy in July 2009 was “Conflict and Culture”. In 2010, the academy was focused on political means for non-violent conflict transformation and in 2011 we discussed aspects of project management and evaluation in the field of peacebuilding. For the first time in 2012, we approached conflict transformation from a geographical and political perspective under the main theme of the Arab Uprisings. In 2013, we focused on the peace processes and mediation in the South Caucasus Region, particularly in Armenia and Azerbaijan.

The event has triggered great interest – every year approximately 40 people participate in our Summer Academy. The evaluation results show that participants have been particularly

satisfied with the quality of contents and the professional competence of the lecturers and the workshop instructors. The participants could take advantage of the Summer Academy on a personal and a professional level and appreciated its theory- and practice-oriented approach. Evaluation results also show that the event is a welcome platform for networking and meeting like-minded people from different professional and academic fields.

## **The ICP International Summer Academy 2014**

With the theme “Peace mediation – from conflict to cooperation”, the International Summer Academy 2014 aims at offering to its participants a wide view on the topic and a broad range of tools in terms of mediation.

As a constructive approach to peacefully transform violent conflicts into cooperation, the importance of peace mediation has significantly increased over recent years. Peace mediation aims at preventing or solving violent conflicts by conducting dialogue and negotiations. This way, peace mediators assist the different parties involved to overcome the burden of the conflict and guide them towards constructive, cooperative solutions for a peaceful and common future. The art of peace mediation requires patience and perseverance, as well as skills, knowledge, methodology and experience.

We will discuss the major concepts and approaches which are essential to the understanding of sources, development and impacts of a conflict. We will define peace mediation and its role in a conflict resolution. We will focus on the methods and techniques of peace mediation and negotiation. Participants will therefore be aware of the key elements necessary to the setting and the direction of a mediation process and have a complete overview of the subject. They will have the opportunity to gain first-hand insights from international and local experts during the lectures. The workshops and mediation simulations will allow them to play the mediator role and thus improve their practical skills of conflict transformation. Additionally, the summer academy is an excellent place to increase one’s personal and professional network in the cozy atmosphere of the Caux Palace Hotel.

## **The International Peace-Builders’ Forum**

Coupled with the ICP International Summer Academy, the first International Peace-Builders’ Forum (IPF) will be held around the theme “Connecting Personal and Systemic Change”, on 11-12 August 2014 in Caux (Montreux), Switzerland. The IPF is a unique, publicly accessible, opportunity for participants to physically meet and connect with experts and

specialists of the international field of peace-building. The IPF expects around 230 participants. This includes 40 exhibitors with two delegates per organization and 150 participants.

The IPF is a perfect opportunity for participants to the Summer Academy to complete their knowledge of peace mediation.

### ***Special price***

Participants of the Summer Academy have the opportunity to attend the IPF for free. The night from 11<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> of August in the conference centre will be offered by the ICP.

Registration for both events can be made with the form at the end of this document.

For more details on the IPF: <http://www.institute-icp.ch>



### **Target Audience**

- Students and scholars in peacebuilding, conflict transformation or related fields, or with a specific research focus / interest on the subject;
- Current and prospective experts in the fields of conflict transformation and peacebuilding;
- Interested professionals and students in the following fields: conflict transformation, peacebuilding, reconciliation, mediation, communication, media, religion, migration, education, development cooperation, social work, peace and conflict studies, intercultural and international relations;
- Persons working with NGOs, NPOs, IOs, media, academic or private and other organizations interested in conflict transformation and peacebuilding;
- Interested and motivated people;
- Local, regional and national media;



## Learning Objectives

- Participants learn about the processes of conflict mediation and about the concepts, definitions and theories mobilized in these processes. They will examine and debate methods and approaches of conflict transformation and peacebuilding;
- Participants acquire practical skills and applicable knowledge in the field of conflict transformation and peacebuilding projects through a mediation simulation;
- The ICP International Summer Academy is an open, interactive forum. Particular attention is paid to the exchange between the speakers, experts and participants.
- Participants also have the possibility to exchange and present their own projects.
- The ICP International Summer Academy is an international platform for the peace, mediation and counseling scene and it contributes in paving the way for networking and future cooperation projects.
- The organizers are sensitive to the different cultural backgrounds, concepts and experiences of the participants; therefore the intercultural exchange is an integral part of the Summer Academy.
- Participants will have the opportunity to further discuss and learn more about peacebuilding processes and mediation during the International Peace-Builders' Forum (Caux, August 11<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>).

## Language

Fluent English is required. Presentations and simulations will be held in that language.

## Location

Looking out over Lake Geneva from an altitude of 1000 metres, the Caux centre can accommodate up to 450 people. Formerly the Caux-Palace Hotel, in 1946 it became an international meeting place, thanks to the generous contributions in time, talent and money of many volunteers.

Most bedrooms have a bathroom or shower and two beds, so participants may be asked to share rooms. Please indicate on the application form if you particularly require a single room. Bedrooms can be reached directly by phone; there is no radio or TV. There is an Internet room available for a small fee and some public parts of the building are equipped with a wireless internet access. In Caux, it can be quite chilly: you may want to bring some warm clothes. (Information from [www.caux.iofc.org](http://www.caux.iofc.org))



## Organizational Issues

### *How to get there*

Participants arriving by plane will most probably arrive at Geneva International Airport. From there, there is a 2-hours journey to Caux by train. As the place is situated on the mountains, you first have to take a train that goes along the shoreline of Lake Geneva until Montreux and, second, you have to take a small train that goes up the hill to Caux. If you are coming from a different destination, just make sure you get to Montreux and change the train there. The train from Montreux to Caux only runs once an hour, so check the timetable to be sure you get it.

For more information on train connections and timetables check the website of the [Swiss Railway Company](http://www.sbb.ch).

Once you get to Caux, the Conference Center is situated just across the street, it is a huge castle-like hotel, you cannot miss it!

Just in case, here is the [google map itinerary](#).

The ICP team will be waiting for you in the lobby of the hotel, where you can directly meet us at your arrival.

### *Food*

Breakfast, lunch and dinner are included in the participation fee.

The meals will be served at the conference centre at the following hours:

Breakfast: 08.00 – 08.45

Lunch: 12.30 – 13.30

Dinner: 18.30 – 19.30

Ramadan arrangements can be provided. Please indicate your request on the application form.

### *Accommodation*

Accommodation is included in the participation fee. Participants are assigned a room upon arrival and may be asked to share a room with someone else.

### *Certificate*

The participants receive certificates of participation for attending at least 80% of the program.

### *Useful numbers*

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## **Community Life**

A special characteristic of the Caux conferences is the internal communal life. Participants are invited to join communities of between 12 and 20 people which are both interactive discussion groups and teams which participate in the practical tasks of the house.

## Programme Overview



Time	Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> August 2014	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> August 2014	Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> August 2014	Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup> August 2014
08.00 - 08.45	<b>Breakfast</b>			
09.00 - 12.00	<b>The state of conflict today: definitions and concepts</b> Nemanja Džuverović	<b>The framework, actors and principles of peace mediation</b> Antje Herrberg	<b>The framework, actors and principles of peace mediation</b> Antje Herrberg	<b>Mediating conflicts with a religious dimension</b> Abbas Aroua
	<b>Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> August 2014</b>			
12.30 - 13.30	<b>Arrival and registration</b>	<b>Lunch</b>		
14.00 - 17.00	<b>Welcome and Introduction lecture</b> <b>Mediation: Challenges and Limits</b> Alain Jacques Sigg	<b>The framework, actors and principles of peace mediation</b> Antje Herrberg	<b>The framework, actors and principles of peace mediation</b> Antje Herrberg	<b>Peace Building through Mediation: The Case of Mali</b> Brigitte Kehrer
				<b>Closing event</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wrap up</li> <li>• Evaluation</li> <li>• Certificates</li> </ul>
18.30 - 19.30	<b>Dinner</b>			
20.15	<b>Evening Social Event</b>			

## Detailed Program

### **Mediation: Challenges and Limits**

**Dr. Alain Jacques Sigg**

*Tuesday, August 12<sup>th</sup>, afternoon*

*Prof. Alan Jacques Sigg is member of the ICP Directing Board. He worked, inter alia, for ( in chronological order): the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights (Human Rights monitor, Rwanda), the General Prosecutor of the UN International Criminal Tribunal (head of external relations/spokesperson, Kigali, Arusha, The Hague), the Truth and Reconciliation Commission, South Africa (mediator/investigator, under the aegis of Archbishop Desmond Tutu), the Office of the High Representative, Bosnia-Herzegovina (head of Human Rights/education department), the inter-Congolese peace talks (advisor to the African Union Mediator and to the Special Envoy of the UN Secretary General), the Delegation of the European Union in the Democratic Republic of Congo (constitutional advisor), the Swiss Department of Foreign Affairs (special advisor for conflict resolution in francophone Africa).*

*He also was involved in conflict resolution in Togo, Guinea-Bissau and Tunisia. Among other works, he has published for the Swiss Department of Foreign Affairs International Human Rights Law; International Humanitarian Law; Refugee Law; Geneva from early origins to the 21st century (original in French)*

*His academic background is in literature and international law.*

### **The state of conflict today: definitions and concepts**

**Dr. Nemanja Džuverović**

*Wednesday, August 13<sup>th</sup>, morning*

*Dr. Nemanja Džuverović is an assistant professor at the Department for International Studies (Faculty of Political Science) at the University of Belgrade. He has been doing research at the University of Uppsala (Department of Peace and Conflict Research) and the University of Granada (Institute for*

*Peace and Conflicts*). His research focuses on conflict analysis, conflict resolution, peace studies, economic factors of armed conflicts and Latin American studies.

This course provides participants with the necessary background to understand the natures and forms of violent conflict today and to differentiate between approaches for dealing with conflict (traditional, political, legal, etc.). Based on case studies students will learn to distinguish different manifestations of violent conflicts and the ways parties handle it.

Based on state of the art tools participants will be able to analyse conflicts, their level of escalation, actors, structures and dynamics in order to define appropriate means for intervention, with a focus on mediation.

## **The framework, actors and principles of peace mediation**

**Dr. Antje Herrberg**

*Thursday, August 14<sup>th</sup>, morning*

*Dr. Antje Herrberg is an experienced facilitator, mediator and process designer. Until recently, she was a member of the UN DPA's mediation support unit. She has been requested to facilitate and provide advice on conflict transformation and capacity building in mediation by dozen of actors recently in Ukraine, Georgia, Moldova, Maldives, Mauritania, the EU and the OSCE. Her work integrates the inner and outer dimension of peace (mediation). She specialized on mediation with non-recognized entities mediation and during difficult electoral periods.*

This workshop is destined to provide a transfer of know-how and skills in peace mediation, and to enhance the capacity of participants to engage in peace mediation work at all levels. We base ourselves on the UN Guidance for Mediation, and discuss all facets of peace mediation practice and work, through interactive discussions. This workshop will combine three key learning keys: understanding the issues of peace mediation, experiencing through practice within a dynamic role plays, and jointly reflecting and observing practice.

## **Peace Building through Mediation: The Case of Mali**

**Dr. Brigitte Kehrer**

*Friday, August 15<sup>th</sup>, afternoon*

*Brigitte Kehrer is a seasoned mediator in gender and human rights as well as environmental Peace Building programs. Expert in Conflict Resolution/Transformation with over 12 years of experience in Reconciliation, Media-Peace building programs (including Political parties and democratization) in post-conflict countries, Monitoring, Evaluation and Recommendations, as well as facilitation and dealing with the past. Her expertise includes nonviolent communication, Harvard negotiations, and J. Galtung's Governance, Peace Reporting and Media peace building.*

*More than 10 years of experience in Africa, accustomed to leading development projects, coordinating international platforms, intercultural negotiations, able to build up, lead and facilitate teams.*

*Brigitte Kehrer is also a published author, among her recent publications we find "The Art of Conflict or How to Stay Zen" (London 2009: Janus Publishing House) and "Poudre d'Afrique" (Paris 2012: L'Harmattan).*

In this course, Peace Building and Mediation will be presented as directly interconnected in an inclusive approach whose purpose is to provide participants with the tools of both disciplines. Mali is the protagonist of a role play which will be held including the following actors: MINUSMA, Peace keeping, Serval, the Malian Army and the EU Monitoring Team.

The course will also underline the challenges and dilemmas to which one can be confronted during a mediation case. Participants will be provided with relevant tools for analyzing a conflict situation and defining the appropriate methods of intervention.

## **Mediating conflicts with a religious dimension**

**Dr. Abbas Aroua**

*Saturday, August 16<sup>th</sup>, morning*

*Dr. Abbas Aroua is a medical physicist and adjunct professor at the Lausanne Faculty of Medicine in Switzerland. He is strongly engaged in human rights, peace and dialogue among cultures. He founded the Cordoba Foundation of Geneva in 2002, which is active in the field of conflict prevention and conflict transformation with a focus on the Arab world and Islam in Europe.*

This course sensitizes participants and provides them tools for constructively dealing with conflict with a religious dimension.

Dealing with different seemingly conflicting value systems as well as with social or political inequalities is crucial for mediation projects; this is particularly true for mediation in the fields of peace and development. Abbas Aroua will address this theme with a practical approach, related to his field experience in the Muslim world.

Participants will learn how to address the challenges of diversity and religious-based values as well as to differentiate between „doing culture“ (the strategic use of culture) and „being culture“ (cultural convictions and values). Consequently, participants will learn to differentiate between conflicts over values, interests and resources.

## Registration Form

For online registration visit: <http://www.iicp.ch/drupal/summer-academy>

*10% discount for ICP network members (see [www.institute-icp.ch](http://www.institute-icp.ch))*

*Price includes accommodation (from 12<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> August, 4 nights), meals and material*

**Registration deadline:** August 5th 2014, limited number of participants

- Registration and payment **before** May 31st 2014: 990 CHF / 815 € (incl. board and lodging)
- Registration and payment **after** May 31st 2014: 1'190 CHF / 980 € (incl. board and lodging)

*Price for students under 25 years old*

- Registration and payment **before** May 31st 2014: 590 CHF / 485 € (incl. board and lodging)
- Registration and payment **after** May 31st 2014: 790 CHF / 650 € (incl. board and lodging)

*Price for students over 25 years old*

- Registration and payment **before** May 31st 2014: 790 CHF / 650 € (incl. board and lodging)
- Registration and payment **after** May 31st 2014: 990 CHF / 815 € (incl. board and lodging)

### International Peace-Builders Forum (August 11th-12th 2014)

- I wish to attend the International Peacebuilders Forum and stay at the Caux Centre from 11<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> of August for no additional cost

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### Please send your registration to:

ICP Switzerland, Brume 2, CH-1110 Morges, Switzerland or to [summer@institute-icp.ch](mailto:summer@institute-icp.ch).

The host organization keeps the right to cancel or reschedule the event in case of few registrations.

The complete course fee will be reimbursed in case the course is cancelled.

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