



Workshop

Comparative Conversations on Peace Education

Date: 10 December 2021

Venue: A virtual meeting online via Zoom (Central African Time Zone)

This workshop concludes an empirical investigation of whether and how Peace and Values Education (PVE) in Rwanda is informed by social science research and pedagogies that enable participants to navigate difficult, often sensitive, topics. After two Reflexive Review Workshops centred on the Rwandan context, this workshop seeks to broaden the debates by examining findings from Rwanda alongside broader theoretical and practical insights from other contexts. Building on existing peace education interventions by the Aegis Trust in the Central African Republic, the workshop will examine similarities and differences between the two contexts and explore possible lessons that can inform future practice in both contexts and beyond. The event will feature renowned global experts working in peace education as well as scholars and practitioners from Rwanda and CAR working in the field.

Program

08.45 – 09:00 Welcome from Ms Sandra Shenge (Regional Manager, Aegis Trust) who will be the Zoom host for the online discussion.

09.00 – 09:10 Introductory Remarks - Freddy Mutanguha, Executive Director, Aegis Trust

09.10 – 09.30 Opening Lecture: The Intersections between Peace Education and Unity & Reconciliation in Rwanda: Insights from the new Ministry of National Unity and Civic Engagement, Dr Maurice Mugabowagahunde, Executive Director in charge of Research, MINUBUMWE

Session 1: Global South - North Conversations on Peace Education

09.30 – 10:30 Panel Presentations (15 minutes presentations)

Chair: Dr David Mwambari, Lecturer in African Studies, King's College London

- 'Education as site of memory' - Prof Julia Paulson, Associate Professor in Education, University of Bristol
- 'Making truth *true*: Teacher's accounts of genocide education in Cambodia' - Dr Peter Manning, Senior Lecturer in Sociology, University of Bath
- 'Locating Peace Education in Rwanda' - Dr Felix Ndahinda, Dr Nicola Palmer, Dr Glorieuse Uwizeye and Dr Sylvestre Nzahabwanayo

10.30 - 10.50 Q & A Session

10.50 – 11.00 Coffee/health Break

Session 2: Rwandan and Ugandan Conversations on Peace Education

11.00 – 12.00 Panel Presentations (15 minutes presentations)

Chair: Dr Sam Rushworth, Aegis Trust

- ‘Mobile Heritage Network: Informal Learning in Post conflict northern Uganda’- Abiti Adebo Nelson, head curator at the Uganda National Museum
- ‘Bridging Theory and Practice in Peace Studies and Conflict Transformation education’ - Dr Aggee Shyaka Mugabe, Director of the Centre for Conflict Management, University of Rwanda
- ‘Non-formal Peace Education in Rwanda: Exploring the Pedagogies Grassroots Peace Education’ - Dr Eric Ndushabandi, Director of the Institute for Research and Dialogue for Peace
- ‘CBS’s contribution to peace education and peacebuilding processes in Rwanda’ - Diogene Karangwa, Community Based Socio-therapy

12.00 – 12.30 Q & A Session

12.30 – 13.30 Lunch Break

Session 3: Rwandan and Central African Republic Conversations on Peace Education

13.30 – 14.30 Panel Presentations (10 minutes presentations and exchanges)

Chair: Prof Phil Clark, Professor of International Politics, SOAS

- ‘The Contemporary Landscape of Peace Education and Peacebuilding in CAR’ - Mr Alain Lazaret (Aegis Trust-CAR) and Prof William Froming, Palo Alto University
- Comparative Peace Education Lessons: Rwanda and CAR’ - Thierry Khonde (independent journalist) with introductory comments from Lambert Kanamugire (Aegis)
- ‘Youth Agency in Peace and Values Education in Rwanda’- Ms Gisèle Sandrine Irakoze (Ndabaga Impact) and Mr Tristan Murenzi (Rwanda We Want)
- ‘A Conversation on the future direct of PVE in CAR and Rwanda’ led by Dr Media Kagaba, Heli Habyarimana and Dr Jean Leonard Buhigiro

14.30 – 15.00 Open Q & A Session

15.00 – 15.30 Closing Remarks – Dr Felix Ndahinda and Dr Nicola Palmer