



## 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.



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## ■ 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 Middle 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        **Group Practicum: Parallel Sessions of the Country Groups**  
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        **Group Practicum: Parallel Sessions of the Country Groups**  
Chair: Luigi Narbone | EUI
- 18.00-18.30        **General Debriefing of the Country Groups' Activities for the Day**
- 19.30                *Welcome Dinner*

### 13<sup>th</sup> 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 **Group Practicum: Parallel Sessions of the Country Groups**  
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 Nacrou** | 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 **Group Practicum: Parallel Sessions of the Country Groups**  
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 **Final Country Group Presentations**
- 18.00-18.30 **Final Remarks and Award of Certificates**
- 18.30-19.00 *Farewell Cocktail*



## ■ FACULTY

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