



Research-Policy Dialogue: **Sustainable Peace**

Monday 19 November 2018, Royal Grand Hotel in Monrovia, Liberia

09.00 **Registration**

09.15 **Welcome Remarks**

Dr. Mimmi Söderberg Kovacs, Head of Research, FBA
Prof. T Debey Sayndee, KAICT, University of Liberia

09.30 **Keynote**

Dr. William E. Allen, Vice President, Academic Affairs of the University of Liberia

10.00 **Ignite speaker session: Sustainable peace in post-war societies**

Moderator: Mimmi Söderberg Kovacs, FBA

Liberian National Police and SSR

Sabrina Karim, Cornell University

Community-led reintegration in Liberia

Aaron Weah, Country Director Search for Common Ground

Citizen perceptions' about peace processes

Aila Matanock, University of California, Berkley

Violence in African Elections

Mimmi Söderberg Kovacs, Folke Bernadotte Academy

Gender-sensitive transitional justice in Liberia

Maria Martin de Almagro, University of Cambridge

11.30 **Research-Policy Dialogues (session 1a and 1b will run in parallel)**

Thematic session 1a: Security Sector Reform and Beyond

Facilitator: Sabrina Karim, Cornell University and Thomas Jaye, Kofi Annan International Peacekeeping Training Centre (tbc)

Security Perception after UN Peace operation withdrawal

Han Dorussen, University of Essex

Security-sector reform without the state: Do the benefits outweigh the costs?

Will Nomikos, Yale University

Participation in UN peacekeeping missions: prospects and pitfalls?

Katharina Coleman, University of British Columbia



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11.30

Thematic session 1b: Community-led peacebuilding, networks and reintegration

Facilitators: Aaron Weah, Search for Common Ground and Abba Gadegbeku Williams, Ministry of Health (tbc)

The role of community-led land use planning in sustainable peace

Caitlin Ryan, University of Groningen

Social networks and community level reintegration in war-affected societies

Zoe Marks, Harvard Kennedy School

Youth, Sustainable Livelihood and Peacebuilding

Ibrahim Bangura, University of Sierra Leone

13.00

Lunch

14.00

Research-Policy Dialogues (session 2a and 2b will run in parallel)

Thematic session 2a: Electoral politics, social contract and statebuilding

Facilitator: Karl DeRouen, University of Alabama and Johnny Ndebe, The Carter Center (tbc)

Electoral Politics and Post-war Statebuilding

Carrie Manning, Georgia State University

Inclusion of civil society actors and durable peace

Desirée Nilsson, Uppsala University

Learning Non-Violent Alternatives to Violence During Elections

Sabrina Karim, Cornell University

Thematic session 2b: Gender-based violence, access to justice and peacebuilding

Facilitator: Maria Martin de Almagro, University of Cambridge and Tonieh Talery-Wiles, Independent National Human Rights Commission

UN Police and Sexual Violence in Civil Wars

Ismene Gizelis, University of Essex

Understanding Post-Conflict Sexual Violence trends in Monrovia

Kou Gbaintor-Johnson, Center for Action Research and Training

Challenges in addressing GBV in the dual legal system in Liberia

T Debey Sayndee, KAICT, University of Liberia

15:30

Summing up: Prospects and challenges for sustainable peace

Mimmi Söderberg Kovacs, Head of Research, FBA

T Debey Sayndee, KAICT, University of Liberia

16:00

Closing remarks

Ambassador Ingrid Wetterqvist, Embassy of Sweden