

Postgraduate Conference: Masculinities, Violence and (Post-)Conflict

Date: Thursday, 14 January 2016, 09:00 – 18:15

Venue: Ulster University, York St. Campus (BA-000-08), Belfast, Northern Ireland

Conference Programme

- 08:30 – 09:00** Registration
- 09:00 – 09:15** **Opening Remarks:** Dr. Henri Myrntinen (International Alert), Philipp Schulz (TJI)
- 09:15 – 10:15** **Keynote Speaker: Dr. Chris Dolan (Refugee Law Project)**
- 10:15 - 10:30** Coffee Break
- 10:30 – 12:00** **Panel One: The Impact of Violence and (Post-)Conflict Contexts on Masculinities**
Discussant: Koen Slootsmaeckers (Queen Mary University of London)
- Azadeh Sobout (Ulster University, Transitional Justice Institute)
Gendered Memories of War and Displacement: Discourses and Narratives in the Life Histories of Afghan Refugee Men in Iran
 - Marieke Froehlich (Basel University/Swisspeace) and Sarah Pelham (Independent Researcher)
Possibilities and realities of competing configurations of masculinity in the context of the 'refugee crisis'
 - Chloé Lewis (University of Oxford)
Systematic Silencing? Addressing Sexual Violence Against Men and Boys in Conflict and Post-Conflict Settings
 - Heleen Touquet (University of Leuven) and Ellen Gorris (Independent Researcher)
Secondary victims: Men and Boy's marginality in conceptualizations of conflict-related sexual violence
- 12:00 – 13:00** Lunch Break
- 13:00 – 14:00** **Roundtable Discussion: Masculinities Work in Practice, from the Local to the Global**
- Anne Maki-Rahkola (former Gender Adviser, EUPOL Afghanistan)
 - Hannah Wright (Saferworld)
 - Callum Watson (Geneva Centre for the Democratic Control of Armed Forces (DCAF))
 - Saffiullah Khan (Trocaire Pakistan) and Carol Wrenn (Trocaire)
- 14:00 – 15:45** **Panel Two: Transforming and Engaging Masculinities towards Peace and Gender Equality**
Discussant: Prof. Fionnuala Ni Aolain (Ulster University, Transitional Justice Institute)
- Ekaterina Rozanova (University of London, Goldsmiths College)
Human Security and Masculinities
 - Stephanie Oula (London School of Economics (LSE) / United Nations Foundation)
A Mobilization of Post-Conflict Masculinity: a re/construction of the nation-state through organized male engagement in Rwanda
 - Isabella Flisi (Ulster University, Transitional Justice Institute)
DDR as an opportunity to address Masculinities: Reflections on the Colombian Peace Negotiations
 - Karen De Villiers Graaf (University of Stellenbosch)
Masculinities and Violence in Post-Conflict South Africa
 - Lewis Turner (University of London, SOAS)
Engaging Men and Boys in Campaigns Against Sexual and Gender-Based Violence among Syrian Refugee Communities in Jordan

15:45 – 16:00 Coffee Break

16:00 – 17:45 **Panel Three: Militarised Masculinities During Conflict**

Discussants: Dr. Fidelma Ashe (Ulster University)
and Dr. Synne L. Dyvik (University of Sussex)

- Jan Melia (University of Aberdeen)

Masculinities and Violence: Discourse and Practice

- Ingvild Kalnes (London School of Economic (LSE) / Norwegian Peace Council)

Violence and Masculinities: Exploring the Violent Consequences of Socioeconomic Change and Male Disempowerment in South Sudan

- Kathleen Rice (University of Toronto)

Men's Anxieties about False Beating and Rape Accusations in Rural South Africa: Implications for Understanding Gender

- Ebru Demir (University of Sussex)

Ethno-Nationalism, Masculinities and the Reproductive Rights and Autonomy of Women in Post-Conflict Situations

- Emma Brännlund (National University of Ireland, Galway)

Militarised masculinities and respectable feminities: Gender, violence and Kashmir

17:45 – 18:15 **Concluding Presentation**

Professor Brandon Hamber (Ulster University, International Conflict Research Institute (INCORE))

Masculinities and Transitional Justice - Mapping the Relationship

18:15 **Book Launch and Reception**

Dr. Ken Harland and Professor Sam McGready (Ulster University, The Centre for Young Men's Studies)

'Boys, Young Men and Violence: Masculinities, Education and Practice' (Palgrave)

For registration, please **RSVP** to **Philipp Schulz** (Schulz-P@email.ulster.ac.uk) by **10th January 2016** at the latest