

Unitar Online Catalogue

Conflict Resolution [PTP.2012.18E]

Deadline: 30 May 2012

Type: Course

Location: Web-based

Date: 4 Jun 2012 to 6 Jul 2012

Duration: 5 Weeks

Programme Area: Peacekeeping

Website: http://www.unitar.org/ptp

Price: \$600.00

Event Focal Point Email: ptp@unitar.org

BACKGROUND

Conflict at both intergroup and interpersonal levels is a dominant theme of the human condition in the twenty-first century. Numerous violent international conflicts persist around the world. At the domestic level, tensions and conflicts also extend along divisions based on religion, race, ethnicity, social class, culture, and language. Moreover given the increasing strain on the world's environment, conflict over limited resources such as water, is likely to increase. Against this backdrop, conflict resolution emerges as a critical tool to address the causes of conflicts and build new and lasting relationships between hostile groups.

EVENT OBJECTIVES

The goal of this course is to provide an analysis of conflict and the methods to resolve it, with an emphasis on traditional and alternatives approaches to address the causes of conflicts and build new and lasting relationships between hostile groups.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

At the end of the course, participants will be able to:

- Define the concept of conflict resolution;
- Describe different strategies to address the causes of conflicts;
- Define the role of conflict resolution in the framework of peace operations;
- Discuss the impact and limits of conflict resolution.

CONTENT AND STRUCTURE

The course is composed of five modules that will be covered over five weeks:

- Module 1: Introduction to conflict resolution
- Module 2: Perspectives and methods in conflict resolution
- Module 3: Key issues in conflict resolution
- Module 4: Conflict resolution and peace operations
- Module 5: Lessons learned

METHODOLOGY

In each module, the interactive learning components are introducing the key points and provide background information. Activities such as research, reflection and case studies allow participants to apply the knowledge acquired through the lessons. Discussions are organized for participants in order to facilitate collective knowledge construction and sharing of experiences.

Facilitators guide participants through this process, delivering and conveying information, clarifying doubts and supporting participants through different activities.

TARGETED AUDIENCE

Courses address a broad audience of civilians, such as students, researchers, academics and individuals from governmental and non-governmental organizations, as well as national and regional military and police personnel of every rank and function.

As the course is an advanced course, a general understanding of the structure, components and functioning of a peace operation is highly advisable.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Fellowships

Please note that UNITAR PTP fellowships are awarded only to a small numbers of applicants from the Least Developed Countries (LDCs) and are not differed or transferred to another course. You might wish to refer the UN-OHRLLS list by clicking here.

Technical Requirements

Minimum hardware and software requirements:

- Platform: Windows 95, 98, 2000, NT, ME, XP or superior; MacOS 9 or MacOS X.
- Hardware: 64 MB of RAM, 1 GB of free disk space.
- Software:
- Adobe Acrobat Reader

(download for free at http://www.adobe.com/products/acrobat/readstep2.html).

- Adobe Flash Player (download for free at http://get.adobe.com/flashplayer)
- Microsoft Office (Windows or Apple version) or Open Office (download for free at http://www.openoffice.org)
- Browser: Internet Explorer 8
 (download for free at

http://www.microsoft.com/windows/internetexplorer/worldwide-sites.aspx; works better with Firefox 3.6 or higher (download for free at http://www.mozilla-europe.org/en/firefox). Note JavaScript & Cookies must be enabled.

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