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Thursday 4 (LUISS branch: Via Romania 32)

Opening session 9:00-10:15:00 (aula Toti)

Coffee break 10:15-10:35

Shur session 10:35-13:00 (aula Toti)

Lunch (LUISS restaurant)

First sessions 15-16:45 (rooms 304A – 304B – 305A)

Coffee break 16:45-17:15

Second sessions 17:15-19:00 (rooms 304A – 304B – 305A)

Aperitivo 19:00.....(bar LUISS via Romania)

Friday 5 (LUISS branch: Via Pola 12)

Third sessions 9:00-10:45 (rooms 213-214-215)

Coffee break 10:45-11:15

Fourth sessions 11:15-13:00 (rooms 213-214-215)

Lunch (LUISS restaurant)

Fifth sessions 15-16:45 (rooms 213-214-215)

Coffee break 16:45-17:15

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Seventh sessions 10:00-11:45 (rooms 213-214-215)

Coffee break 11:45-12:00

Closing session 12:00-13:00 (sala delle colonne)

PLEASE NOTE:

- **THURSDAY** session is in **VIA ROMANIA**
- **FRIDAY AND SATURDAY** sessions are in **VIA POLA**
- **LUISS Restaurant:** Conference participants pay €7.70 for a full meal with receipt

Thursday 4 (LUISS branch: Via Romania 32)

Opening session 9-10:15 (aula Toti)

Welcome address: Massimo Egidi, Rector, LUISS

Welcome Address: Angela Liberatore, Project Officer, European Commission DG Research

Inaugural address: *Human Rights in Theory and Practice*, Sebastiano Maffettone, Dean of the Faculty of Political Science, LUISS

Coffee break 10:15-10:35

SHUR session 10:35-13:00 (aula Toti)

Reports on the main results of the SHUR projects

Conflict Society and Human Rights by Raffaele Marchetti and Nathalie Tocci

Human Rights in Conflict – Securitising or Desecuritising? by Thomas Diez and Emily Pia

The Impact of Civil Society's Human Rights Articulations on Securitization in Ethno-Political Conflicts. A Qualitative Comparative Analysis by Thorsten Bonacker, Christian Braun, and Jana Groth

Redefining EU Engagement with Conflict Society by Raffaele Marchetti and Nathalie Tocci

Video “Sarajevo 12 years later”

Video produced by Multiverse and SHUR for RAInews24

Thursday 4 (LUISS branch: Via Romania 32)

First session 15-16:45

Panel (1) Human rights in conflict: theory and practice----Room 304A

Chair: Aakash Singh

Nayan Barua	Human rights	Buddist monk, Bangkok	Thailand
Peter Halewood	Torture, Dignity, and Human Rights	Albany Law School	USA

Panel (2) Civil society in conflict----Room 304B

Chair: Daniele Santoro

Donna Young	The Spread of HIV/AIDS Among Women Through Domestic Violence and Armed Conflict	Albany Law School	USA
Ihediwa Nkemjika Chimee	Ethnic Consciousness and conflict production in a plural state: The case of Nigeria	University of Nigeria	Nigeria
Peter Munce	Civil society vs. the people: the uneasy relationship between human rights Non Governmental Organisations and the DUP & UUP in the drafting of a bill of rights for Northern Ireland	The University of Ulster	Northern Ireland

Panel (3) Civil society human rights and conflicts----Room 305A

Chair: Christian Blasberger

Kenneth Brown, Laure Fourest, and Are Hovdenak	Human Rights, Civil Society and Conflict in Israel/Palestine (SHUR CASE STUDY REPORT)	SHUR (FMSH, PRIO)	
Massimo Alone	A society under siege: Palestinian civil society from 1967	Activist	Italy

Thursday 4 (LUISS branch: Via Romania 32)

Second session 17:15-19

Panel (1) Human rights in conflict: theory and practice----Room 304A

Chair: Aakash Singh

Rekha A. Kumar and Patrice Cailleba	Gender issues in conflict with culture: some concerns and constraints – the case of Botswana	University of Botswana, Groupe ESC Pau	Botswana and France
Diana Copper	Conflict and Human Rights: A Gender Analysis	SHUR (LUISS)	
Evelyne Schmid	Gender and Conflict: Potential Gains of Civil Society Efforts to Include Economic, Social and Cultural Rights in Transitional Justice Strategies	Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva	Switzerland

Panel (3) Civil society human rights and conflicts----Room 305A

Chair: Christian Blasberger

Giulio Marcon, Sergio Andreis, Thorsten Bonacker, Christian Braun, Francesca Nicora, Valentina Pellizzer, and Inger Skjelsbaer	Conflict Society and the Transformation of the Bosnia and Herzegovina Question (SHUR CASE STUDY REPORT)	SHUR (Lunaria, University of Marburg, PRIO)	
Véronique Dudouet	Surviving the peace? Impact of war-to-democracy transitions on human rights organisations in South Africa and Guatemala	Berghof Research Center for Constructive Conflict Management, Berlin	Germany
Miguel Barreto Henriques	"Peacebuilding from below" in Colombia: the Peace Laboratories' case-study	University of Coimbra	Portugal

Friday 5 (LUISS branch: Via Pola 12)

Third session 9-10:45

Panel (1) Human rights in conflict: theory and practice----Room 213

Chair: Marzia Basili

Eyene Okpanachi	Building Peace in a Divided Society: The Role of Civil Society in Muslim-Christian Relations in Nigeria	University of Ibadan	Nigeria
Lindsay Newman	The Role of Neighbouring Ethnic Brethren in Ethnic Conflict Onset	New York University	USA
Ryan Hammack	Biafra and the Niger Delta: International Perceptions of Conflict in Postcolonial Nigeria	Ben-Gurion University of the Negev	Israel

Panel (2) Civil society in conflict----Room 214

Chair: Anar Khamzayeva

Daniela Irrera	NGO'S roles in humanitarian interventions and peace support operations	University Catania	Italy
Kateryna Pishchikova and Valeria Izzi	Engaging civil society in Peacebuilding : Taking stock of past practices	Sant'Anna, Pisa	Italy
Silvia Colombo	Civil Society in Post Conflict Iraq	IAI	Italy

Panel (3) Civil society human rights and conflicts----Room 215

Chair: Lucy Cheah

Guido Lenzi	Human Rights and National Sovereignty in "Humanitarian Interventions"	Ambassador (ret.)	Italy
Emanuela C. Del Re	Innovative negotiation strategies in conflict scenarios, and the protection of human rights	University of Roma Sapienza	Italy
Avinash Chennamadhav and Kumar Pankaj	Extension of human rights responsibilities to MNCs	Universite de Rouen	France

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Fourth session 11:15-13

Panel (2) Civil society in conflict----Room 214

Chair: Giuliana Urso

Krisztina Arató	Human rights and civil society in Hungary	Eötvös Loránd University, Budapest	Hungary
Michał Nowosielski	Civil Society as representation of immigrants' interests – the case of Polish ethnic organizations in Germany	Institute for Western Affairs, Poland	Poland
Michael Kilburn	A spectre is haunting Mahmoud Ahmadinejad: Human Rights, Civil Society and the Legacy of Charter 77	Endicott College	USA

Panel (3) Civil society human rights and conflicts----Room 215

Chair: Tania Haddad

Natascha Zupan and Sylvia Servaes	Looking back and moving forward: Civil society and State Engagement in Transitional justice and Conflict Transformation	Working Group on Development & Peace/ FriEnt, Bonn/	Germany
Smiljana Knez	Human rights in conflicts – how to better synergize the efforts of official actors and of civil society	Ljubljana University	Slovenia
Laura Zanotti	Protecting humans, governing international disorder: Integrated UN Peacekeeping and NGOs	Virginia Tech	USA

Friday 5 (LUISS branch: Via Pola 12)

Fifth session 15-16:45

Panel (1) Human rights in conflict: theory and practice----Room 213

Chair: Valentina Gentile

Maria Teresa Bia	Human Rights Implications of Ethno-Religious Conflicts and the Limits of the European Refugee Policy in addressing these Issues: the Case of Nigeria	Lawyer, EUI	Italy
Radwan Ziadeh	The impact of The European Neighborhood Policy on the situation of Human rights in the southern Mediterranean countries	Damascus Center for Human Rights Studies	Syria
Luis Cabrera	Is there a Human Right to Accession? The Turkish Case	University of Birmingham	UK

Panel (2) Civil society in conflict----Room 214

Chair: Veronica Raccah

José G. Vargas-Hernández	Historical social and indigenous ecology approach to social movements in Mexico and Latin America	Universidad de Guadalajara	Mexico
Léa Tosold	Theorizing the Practice of Social Movements: ‘Changing the Paradigm of Politics’ or How Common Grounds Are Only Possible Through Diversity’	University of Vienna	Austria
Lea Ypi	Political Conflict and Avant-Garde Agency	Oxford University	UK

Panel (3) Civil society human rights and conflicts----Room 215

Chair: Giuliana Urso

Celina Inés Ozán	The Challenges after Conflicts	Universidad Nacional de San Juan	Argentina
Olga Demetriou and Ayla Gurel	Human Rights, Civil Society and Conflict in Cyprus: Exploring the Relationship (SHUR CASE STUDY REPORT)	SHUR (PRIO)	
Johanna Söderström	Demos conceptions – The Limits of Citizenship among Ex-Combatants in Liberia	Uppsala University	Sweden

Friday 5 (LUISS branch: Via Pola 12)

Sixth session 17:15-19

Panel (1) Human rights in conflict: theory and practice----Room 213

Chair: Lucy Cheah

Dhruv Pande	Cultural Rights and the Dynamics of Identity Formation	LUISS	Italy
Ayesha Ray	The Politics and Identity of Kashmiri Women	King's College, Wilkes-Barre, PA	USA
Yasir Ali	The role of NGOs in the democratization process, particularly the struggle against growing extremism	Pakistan International Human Rights Organization (PIHRO) Islamabad	Pakistan

Panel (2) Civil society in conflict----Room 214

Chair: Veronica Raccah

Rabea Hass	Media as Civil Society Actors in Israel and their Influence on the Israel-Palestine Conflict	SHUR (University of Marburg)	
Rakhi Poonia	Worrisome Trends in the Vitality of American Democracy	Rutgers University	USA
Cristina Sala	Involving Civil Society in the Transformation of Conflicts through Media Actions	Deusto University, Spain	Spain

Panel (3) Civil society human rights and conflicts----Room 215

Chair: Dara Salam

Nathalie Tocci & Alper Kaliber	Conflict Society and the Transformation of the Turkey's Kurdish Question (SHUR CASE STUDY REPORT)	SHUR (LUISS, PRIO, EPLC)	
Ekrem Eddy Güzeldere	Civil society, human rights and the Kurdish question	European Stability Initiative - Avrupa Istikrar Girisim Dernegi, Istanbul	Turkey
Valentina Scotti	Four countries, one people: legal question on Kurdish issue	LUISS University	Italy

Saturday 6 (LUISS branch: Via Pola 12)

Seventh session 9:30-11: 15

Panel (1) Human rights in conflict: theory and practice----Room 213

Chair: Domenico Melidoro

Jamal Alkirkawi	Storytelling as a Tool in Working with Groups in Conflict: The Approach and the Practical Aspects in Relating to Jews and Bedouin in the Negev	Ben-Gurion University of the Negev	Israel
Mohammad Mobasher	Iranian intellectuals' approach to reconcile between Islam and Human Rights		Iran
Roseline Ricco	Which identity is secure?	Center for Science, Society and Citizenship	Italy

Panel (2) Civil society in conflict----Room 214

Chair: Michele Bocchiola

Valentina Gentile	The Role of Civil Society in Post-Conflict Reconstruction: The Case of the Associations of Victims and Relatives of Missing Persons in Bosnia & Herzegovina	SHUR (LUISS)	
Christopher Isike	Feminizing the peace process in Africa: A comparative analysis of women, conflict and peace-building in KwaZulu-Natal and the Niger-Delta	University of Zululand, KwaDlangezwa	South Africa

Panel (3) Civil society human rights and conflicts----Room 215

Chair: Eszter Kollar

Melek Saral	Civil Society and Human Rights Protection in Iraq since 2003	University of Munchen	Germany
Zainab Alkhalil	Education and Conflict in Iraq	University of Turin	Italy
Ayelet Banai	The Dialectic of Peace and Freedom: Civil Society and Post-Conflict Reconstruction in Iraqi Kurdistan	Oxford University	UK

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Closing session 11:30-13:00 (sala delle colonne)

Concluding address: *What Are the Preconditions for Civil Society?*, Neera Chandhoke, Professor of Political Science, University of Delhi

Presentation of the INFOCON project: Marusca Perazzi, Minority Rights Group International (MRG)

Concluding remarks: Raffaele Marchetti & Nathalie Tocci, LUISS