FRONTIERS OF PREVENTION
Institute for Genocide and Mass Atrocity Prevention
Binghamton University
Friday April 13 - Saturday 14, 2018

With the exception of the closing dinner on Saturday evening, all conference events take place at the Binghamton University Downtown Center [UDC], 2nd Floor, 67 Washington Street, Binghamton NY 13902

Friday April 13

8:00 – 8:30 a.m. UDC Atrium

Registration; Coffee and light breakfast available

8:30 – 9:00 a.m.

Welcome
Donald J. Nieman, Provost, Binghamton University

Introduction to the Conference
Nadia Rubaii and Max Pensky, Directors, Institute for Genocide and Mass Atrocity Prevention

9:00 – 10:30 a.m.

Panel 1: Overcoming the Scholarship-Practice Divide
Moderators: Nadia Rubaii and Max Pensky, Directors, Institute for Genocide and Mass Atrocity Prevention

“Overcoming the Scholarship-Practice Divide”
Ernesto Verdeja, Department of Political Science and Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, University of Notre Dame

Response: Tibi Galis, Executive Director, Auschwitz Institute for Peace and Reconciliation
10:30 – 11:00 a.m. UDC Atrium

Break; Coffee and beverages available

11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Panel 2: Legacies of Colonialism
Moderator: Sebastian Lippez De Castro
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“Decolonizing Genocide Prevention: How Settler Colonialism Undermines the Anti-Genocide Movement in the U.S.”
Jeff Benvenuto, Division of Global Affairs, Rutgers University Newark

“The Role of NGOs in Shaping Discourse about Past Atrocities”
Susan Appe, Department of Public Administration, and
Nadia Rubaii, I-GMAP, Binghamton University

"Free Prior and Informed Consent (FPIC) Protocols: Strengthening Resilience, Promoting Human Rights and Preventing Atrocity Crimes"
Jocelyn Getgen Kestenbaum, Director, Benjamin B. Ferencz Human Rights and Atrocity Prevention Clinic, Cardozo School of Law

Panel 3: The Future(s) of the Responsibility to Protect and Prevent
Moderator: Max Pensky, Co-Director
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“A Responsibility to Prevent Mass Atrocities?”
Lena Casiez, Research Officer, Camp des Milles Memorial site, Aix Marseille University, Unesco Chair “Education for Citizenship, Human Sciences and Convergence of Memories”

“The African Union and the Implementation of R2P”
Noele Crossley, Department of Political Science, University College London
“UN Reform and International Atrocity Prevention Norms: Beyond Compliance”  
_Cecilia Jacob, Department of International Relations, Australian National University_

“When Protecting Civilians Backfires: How Desperate Rebels Exploit UN Missions with Protection Mandates”  
_Gabriella Lloyd, I-GMAP Postdoctoral Research Fellow; Department of Political Science, University of Maryland_

“The UN Offices of Genocide Prevention and R2P”  
_Maria Westergren, Political Affairs Officer, United Nations Office on Genocide Prevention and the Responsibility to Protect_

1:00 – 2:00 p.m. UDC Atrium

Lunch

2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Panel 4: Frontiers of Data Analysis and Risk Assessment

 Moderator: Dave Clark, Department of Political Science  
_Binghamton University_

“New Data Sources for Analysis and Response”  
_Christopher McNaboe, Manager, Syria Mapping Project, The Carter Center_

“The Targeted Mass Killing Dataset for Atrocity Forecasting”  
_Ben Goldsmith, School of Politics and International Relations, Australian National University_
Panel 5: Emerging Prevention Mechanisms  
Moderator: Kerry Whigham  
Auschwitz Institute for Peace and Reconciliation

“Genocide Prevention Through ‘Vandalism’: Public Art in Canada and Guatemala”  
Rachel Hatcher, Concordia University, Canada

“Preventing Mass Atrocity Through Ergonomic Design”  
Jonathan Austin, Lead Researcher & Designer, the Violence Prevention (VIPRE) Initiative at the Centre on Conflict, Development and Peacebuilding (CCDP) of the Graduate Institute, Geneva Switzerland

“Preventing Mass Atrocities: From Rhetoric to Reality”  
Mike Brand, African Peace Network

4:00 – 4:30 p.m.

Break

4:30 – 6:30 p.m.

Panel 6: Reflections on President Obama’s Atrocity Prevention Board  
Moderator: Max Pensky, Co-Director  
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Jim Finkel, Non-Resident Fellow at the Henry Stimson Center,  
Visiting Scholar, George Mason University School for Conflict Analysis and Resolution

Ambassador Donald Steinberg, Distinguished Fellow for International Affairs, Dartmouth University; former Deputy Administrator, U.S. Agency for International Development

Annie Bird, Atrocity Prevention and Response Program, Wellspring Philanthropic Fund, former Senior Policy Advisor, U.S. Department of State
6:30 – 8:00 p.m.  UDC Atrium

Reception

Saturday April 14

7:00 – 8:00 a.m. UDC Atrium

Coffee and light breakfast available

8:00 – 10:00 a.m.

Panel 7: Emerging Prevention Actors
Moderator: Nadia Rubaii, Co-Director
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“Can Business Enterprises Prevent Atrocities?”
Tatiana Gos, Academic Programs Officer, Auschwitz Institute for Peace and Reconciliation, New York

“Religion and Genocide Prevention”
Kate E. Temoney, Department of Religion, Montclair State University

“Media and Mass Atrocity”
Allan Thompson, School of Journalism and Communication, Carleton University Canada

10:00 – 10:30 a.m. UDC Atrium

Break; Coffee and beverages available

10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Panel 8: Memory and the Role of the Past
Moderator: Nadia Rubaii, Co-Director
Institute for Genocide and Mass Atrocity Prevention
“Remembering to Prevent: The Preventive Capacity of Public Memory”
Kerry Whigham, Academic Program Officer for Online Education,
Auschwitz Institute for Peace and Reconciliation

“Entreaties Against Genocide: Persecution, Petition and Identity in Correspondence from the Concentration Camps of Occupied France”
Stacy Veeder, Department of History, State University of New York at Albany

“Governments and the Difficult Truth: Current Policy Conflicts in Dealing with Atrocities Long Ago and Far Away”
Per Bergling, Department of Law, Umeå University, Sweden

Panel 9: Prosecution and Impunity
Moderator: Max Pensky, Co-Director
Institute for Genocide and Mass Atrocity Prevention

“Prosecution and Punishment: A Pathway to Prevention? Human Rights Trials in Peru and Guatemala”
Jo-Marie Burt, Departments of Political Science and Latin American Studies, George Mason University; Senior Fellow, Washington Office on Latin America

“The Impact of the International Commission Against Impunity in Guatemala to Prevent Mass Atrocities”
Elisenda Calvet, Faculty of Law, University of Barcelona, Spain

"The Uncertain Relationship between International Criminal Justice and (Re)Building the Domestic Rule of Law in Post-Atrocity States: Lessons from Cambodia”
Randle DeFalco, Banting Postdoctoral Fellow, University of Liverpool Law School

“Prevention Through Prosecuting International Crimes in a Domestic Tribunal: Bangladesh”
Md. Shahinur Islam, Chairman, International Crimes Tribunal 1, Bangladesh
12:30 – 1:30 p.m. UDC Atrium

Lunch

1:30 – 3:30 p.m.

Panel 10: Frontiers of Education
Moderator: Gabriella Lloyd, I-GMAP Postdoctoral Research Fellow; Department of Political Science, University of Maryland

“Toward Articulating and Atrocity Prevention Lens in Domestic Law”
Deena Hurwitz, Director, Atrocity Prevention Legal Training Project, Cardozo School of Law

“Prevention of Genocide and Mass Atrocities: Educating Future USA Military Planners”
Michael Weaver, United States Army Command and General Staff College

“The Role of Education in the Prevention of Gender Violence”
Paola Fajardo-Heyward, Director, Latin American Studies Program, Canisius College

“Thinking Outside the Box: Conflict Education and Research”
Mindy C. Reiser, Vice President, Global Peace Services USA

3:30 – 4:00 p.m.

Break
4:00 – 5:30 p.m.

**Panel 11: If Not Now, When?**

*Moderators: Nadia Rubaii and Max Pensky, Directors, Institute for Genocide and Mass Atrocity Prevention*

“Starting with the Conclusion: Prevention Lessons from Atrocity Endings”

*Bridget Conley, Research Director, World Peace Foundation; Fletcher School, Tufts University*


*Simon Adams, Executive Director, Global Centre for the Responsibility to Protect*

5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

**Conference Closing Discussion**

*Nadia Rubaii and Max Pensky, Co-Directors, Institute for Genocide and Mass Atrocity Prevention, moderators*

7:00 Doubletree Hotel

Closing Dinner for participants