FROM CONFLICT TO BELOVED COMMUNITIES:
A Series of International Gatherings
on Peace, Justice and Nonviolence
Juba, South Sudan
3-21 November 2022

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3 November
Gathering of international guests and delegates for African Peace Research and Education (AFPREA) biennial public academic conference, held in conjunction with the International Peace Research Association (IPRA), the International Peace Bureau, and the Social Science Research Council’s African Peacebuilding Network and Next Generation Social Sciences in Africa Program

3 PM: Reception and Welcome:
Official reception and welcoming remarks by the Rev. Peter Garang, Provincial Secretary – Episcopal Church of South Sudan

Introduction and orientation by Dr. Moses Monday John, Executive Director of the Organization for Nonviolence and Development (ONAD); Associate Lecturer of Conflict Management, University of Juba; and South Sudan Representative of the International Fellowship of Reconciliation; and by Prof. Matt Meyer, IPRA Secretary General and Chair, IFOR Financial Advisory Committee

4 November
AFPREA Conference Registration, Workshops, and Opening Plenary session including:

9:00 AM: Arrival and registration of guests, delegates, and South Sudanese participants

9:30 AM: Opening Plenary

Welcoming Remarks by Dr. Moses, Monday, ONAD Board Chair Mr. Paul Jenrio, Prof. Matt Meyer, and AFPREA President Charles Ndalu Wasike

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The Most Rev. Justin Badi Arama, Anglican Archbishop and Primate of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan, and the Patron of the International Gathering
AFPREA Opening Plenary (continued):

Emerging Issues in African Peace Research: Interdisciplinary & Transnational Perspectives

With **Professor John Akec**, Vice Chancellor, University of Juba, and commentary from **Prof. Fr. Mathew Pagan**, Vice Chancellor of the Catholic University of South Sudan

and with **Dr. Charles Ndalu Wasike** (AFPREA President), **Dr. Elavie Ndura** (Vice Chancellor/University of Washington), and **Dr. Aina-Obe Shamsuddin Bolatito** (AFPREA Secretary)

12:30 PM Lunch

**3:30 PM: The Legacy of Archbishop Tutu—Pan-African Perspectives on Peace + Justice**

featuring **Xabiso Tutu-Gxashe** (grandson of Archbishop Tutu; Tutu Desk Campaign),

and with **Thandi Tutu-Gxashe** (via video), **Matt Meyer, Marion Kiem** (AFPREA and IPRA Councils; Chair/Foundation for Sports, Development and Peace via video), and **Jackline Lokosang** (African Union Commission Diplomacy and Early Conflict Warning officer, invited)

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**5 November**

9:30 AM onwards:

Continuation of AFPREA conference, workshops, lunch

Including video messages from

**Dr. Cyril Obi**, Executive Director of the Social Science Research Council’s African Peacebuilding Network and Next Generation Social Sciences in Africa Program

**Cindy Piester**, Women’s International League for Peace and Freedom, reporting from Egypt and the climate crisis protests around Cop 17

**Roundtable on New Research and Publications, moderated by Dr. Abosede Babatunde**

2:00 PM: Spotlighted Plenary

**Gendering Peace Studies and Rethinking Africa: Feminist, Women’s and Indigenous—Interpretations of the Past, Visions for the Future**

with AFPREA members **Bernadette Muthien** (South Africa), **Dr. Abosede Omowumi Babatunde** (Nigeria), and **Jande Veronica Denby** (Sierra Leone, via video), moderated by **Dean Angelina Mattijo Bazugba** (South Sudan)

4:00 PM: **Peace and Security for Positive Intra and Inter African Relations**, with **Dr. Andrew David Amoah** (AFPREA Uganda)
6 November

AM: No formal activity; time for worship/free time

2:00 PM Plenary

Combating 21st Century Colonialism: Western Sahara, Ambazonia and Beyond

with South African former Member of Parliament Magdalene Moonsamy (key international solidarity activist with Western Sahara), Rudolf Nchanji Nsang of Silver Lining Africa organization (Ambazonia/Cameroon), and Dr. Aina-Obe Shamsuddin Bolatito (AFPREA Secretary)

3:30 PM Closing Plenary

Sankofa Moments: Envisioning African Peace and Power

Convened by AFPREA President Charles Ndalu Wasike, featuring Dr. George Mutalemwa (Tanzania, Association of Catholic Universities and Higher Institutes of Africa and Madagascar) and Dr. Irene Lugalla (Tanzania, Gender and Entrepreneurship at Eastern and Southern African Management Institute)

Please note: Regrets sent from Mireille Fanon Mendes-France of the Franz Fanon Foundation, who sends greetings and deep sadness that she could not attend. She will send her paper along for consideration in the forthcoming book.

5 PM

AFPREA GENERAL OPEN MEETING, discussing the future and new ideas, including consideration of the proposal to hold AFPREA 2024 in Tanzania.

7 November

10 AM: SPECIAL SEMINAR: From Conflict to Beloved Communities: Constructive Nonviolence for the 21st Century—An Interactive Plenary with Dr. Elavie Ndura (Burundi)

Please note: this seminar will not be livestreamed.

2 PM: SPECIAL SEMINAR: Knowledge Production in Transitional Justice, hosted by the International Catalan Institute for Peace, with Oscar Mateos Martin of ICIP (Barcelona, Catalan), Blas Garcia (Colombia, Latin American continental coordinator, Servicio Paz y Justicia/SERPAJ), and The Honorable Dr. Betty Ogwaro (South Sudan, Global Network of Women Peacebuilders; South Sudanese Women’s Parliamentary Caucus)
8 November

AM:  **South Sudan EXCURSION**: Visit two South Sudanese **PEACE CLUBS**! These clubs are run by the **Organization for Nonviolence and Development**, with the support of the Swedish Fellowship of Reconciliation (**SweFOR**). Two groups will go out for these visits, returning together for lunch at 1 pm.

Morning leaving time will be announced the night beforehand.

**3 PM: SPECIAL SEMINAR: The International Peace Bureau Africa Network**

International Peace Bureau’s newly elected African Council member **Tyson Smith Berry Jr.** (Liberia) will lead a discussion on Climate Change and Conflict, and on the work of **4Kids International** (of which he is Director)

9 November

**10 AM: SPECIAL SEMINAR: Decolonization, Anti-militarism and the Struggle Against Empire**, hosted by the Occupied Peoples Forum in conjunction with the Resistance Studies Initiative and the War Resisters’ International, moderated by **Magdalene Moonsamy** (South Africa, former Member of Parliament), featuring **Rosa Moiwend** (West Papua), **Tenzin Tsundue** (Tibet), **Luis Rosa** (Puerto Rico), **Mohamed Lagdaf** and **Ali Salem** (NOVA Youth activists, Western Sahara), **Zoughbi Alzoughbi** (Wi’am Palestine Transformation Center), and **Ahmed Shekho** (Rojava, Kurdistan National Council), and commentary from **Rudolf Nsang** (Cameroon/Ambazonia)

**2 PM: SPECIAL SEMINAR: New Resistance and Renewed Solidarity—in Africa and Beyond**, hosted by the Journal of Resistance Studies, Beautiful Trouble Africa and others, featuring **Stella Nyanzi** (Uganda, noted author and organizer), **Jihad Abdulmumit** (USA/Spirit of Mandela coalition), and **Magdalene Moonsamy** (South Africa, former Member of Parliament), moderated by **Stellan Vinthagen** (Sweden, Resistance Studies Network/JRS)
10 November

9:30 AM: Inter-Continental Meeting of the Pan-African Peacebuilders and Nonviolence Network (PANPEN)

Nozizwe Madlala-Routledge (South Africa, Quaker United Nations Office, via video)
Kassahun Checole (Eritrea, Africa World/Red Sea Press, via video)

This is an all-day, reflective, “network of the networks” meeting on where we have been and where we are going...with brief opening remarks on the work thus far from Moses Monday and Rev. Chris Ney, and all-inclusive go-around from all participants on region, country, and group specific reports. Our focus is on Lessons Learned: How Do We Move on From Here? becomes our closing dialogue with areas of collective priority work, future communication, and operational follow-up structures

3 PM: SOUTH SUDANESE PUBLIC CULTURAL EVENT!

11 November

Morning private gathering/meeting of Occupied Peoples Forum; continuation if needed of PANPEN discussions; International Fellowship of Reconciliation (IFOR) gatherings, etc.
11 November (continued)

Masters of Ceremony: Gabriel Shidar and Rachael Juan/Lucie, South Sudanese peace journalist

Blessings and Welcome from

The Most Rev. Justin Badi Arama, Anglican Archbishop and Primate of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan, and

The Most Rev. Stephen Ameyu Martin Mulla, Catholic Archbishop of South Sudan

Remarks from

- General Secretary of the South Sudan Council of Churches
- General Secretary of the South Sudan Islamic Council
- Government officials/representatives
- Dr. Moses Monday and Light Wilson (Organization for Nonviolence and Development)
- Prof. Matt Meyer (Sec-Gen, International Peace Research Association; IFOR Financial Advisory Committee)
- IFOR’s Lucie Haemmerle (Austria) and Peter Cousins (UK, IFOR Vice President)
- A special video message from Hildegaard Goss-Mayr is expected

Plenary: Armed Conflicts and Peaceful Transition in Africa: Lessons Learned from South Sudan and Around the World, featuring

Sister Teresia Wamuyu Wachira (co-President, Pax Christi International), and

Jean Pierre Massamba (MIR Congo Brazzaville, Co-coordinator IFOR Africa Working Group)
**12 November**

IFOR Public Event, with thematic sessions from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm and 2 pm – 5:30 pm

Including

**Closing Remarks from Lotta Becker** (Sweden; IFOR President)

**13 November**

10 AM: Inter-faith Service for Peace with Justice in Africa and the World, held in conjunction with the [South Sudan Council of Churches](#) and the [South Sudanese Muslim organizations](#)

**14-21 November: IFOR Council (internal meeting)**

[IFOR Africa meeting on morning of 14 November]