Global Action Against Mass Atrocity Crimes (GAAMAC): Community of Commitment, Community of Practice

First International GAAMAC Meeting
4-6 March 2014
San José, Costa Rica

In cooperation with:
DAY I: Tuesday, 4 March 2014

08:00-08.30 REGISTRATION

08:30-9:30 WELCOME Plenary
Opening remarks by Ms. Mô Bleeker, Switzerland and Mr. Saul Weisleder, Costa Rica, the organizers
Message from Archbishop Desmond Tutu*, Nobel Peace Prize Laureate, South Africa
Welcome message by Ms. Yasmine Chatila Zwahlen, Ambassador of Switzerland to Costa Rica
Welcome message by Mr. Luis Fernando Salazar Alvarado, Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs and Worship, Costa Rica

9:30-10:00 OPENING SESSION Plenary
Atrocity prevention: needs, mandate and vision
Inaugural address by Mr. Adama Dieng*, Special Adviser on the Prevention of Genocide, United Nations

10:00-11:30 SESSION I Plenary
Historical and contextual overview:
What do we know, what have we achieved, what is needed, what are the next steps?
Lessons learned and to be learned. Good practice and experience of past decades in the field of preventing mass atrocity crimes. Reflections about required steps in the future.
Speakers
Mr. Yehuda Bauer (Hebrew University of Jerusalem), Ms. Fatou Bensouda (ICC), Ms. Liberata Mulamula* (Tanzania)
Facilitation
Ms. Mô Bleeker, Special Envoy, Task Force for Dealing with the Past and Prevention of Atrocities

11:30-11:50 Break

11:50-13.00 SESSION II Plenary
National architectures of atrocity prevention:
Successes, challenges, lessons to be learned and next steps
Speakers
Mr. Tomas Kønigsfeldt (Denmark), Ms. Felistas Mushi (Tanzania), Mr. Clever Nyathi (University of Pretoria), Mr. Federico Villegas Beltrán (Argentina)
Facilitation
Mr. Saul Weisleder, Deputy Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of Costa Rica to the UN, New York

13:00-14:00 Lunch

14:00-15:45 SESSION III Good practice workshop
Building national architectures of atrocity prevention (1/3):
Identifying needs and priorities, implementing strategies and enhancing impact

15:45-16:15 Break

* Participation by video.
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09:00-10:30  SESSION X  Plenary
Moving Forward (3/3): Towards a Community of commitment and practice
Wrap-up of the working group sessions VII + VIII

Part I: Recommendations of the civil society to GAAMAC
- Mr. Donald Deya (International Coalition for the Responsibility to Protect)
- Mr. Tibi Galis (Auschwitz Institute for Peace and Reconciliation)
- Ms. Naomi Kikoler (Global Centre for the Responsibility to Protect)
- Mr. Noel Morada (Asia-Pacific Centre for Responsibility to Protect)

Facilitation
Mr. Keith Porter, the Stanley Foundation

Part II: Feedback and recommendations of moving forward working groups to GAAMAC

Facilitation
Jeremy Condor, independent consultant

10:30-11:00  Break

11:00-13:00  SESSION XI  Plenary
Concluding Session
Final chair statement
Concluding message by Ms. Jennifer Welsh*, UN Special Adviser on the Responsibility to Protect, United Nations
Closing address by Ms. Gioconda Ubeda Rivera, Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs and Worship, Costa Rica

13:00  End of the meeting and departure
SESSION III, IV, IX: GOOD PRACTICE WORKSHOP

The workshops will provide in-depth exchange among participants and with expert practitioners about experiences and initiatives related to specific aspects of atrocity prevention.

- Participants can attend 1 workshop per session.
- Participants will be invited to select the workshops they would prefer. The organizers will do their best to ensure all participants can attend their preferred workshops.

SESSION III:

Tuesday, 4 March 2014
14:00-15:45

Workshop 1: Strengthening national prevention architecture: from communities to state level
Mr. Diogène Bideri, Regional Committee on Genocide Prevention, International Conference on the Great Lakes Region (ICGLR)
Ms. Felistas Mushi, Regional Committee on Genocide Prevention, Tanzania
Mr. Ashad Sentongo, Auschwitz Institute for Peace and Reconciliation (AIPR)
Facilitation: Mr. Andrea Bartoli, Seton Hall University

Workshop 2: Strengthening national prevention architecture: developing a national human rights strategy - cancelled

Workshop 3: Strengthening national prevention architecture: reforming security sector institutions
Mr. Martin Balza, Embassy of Argentina to Costa Rica
Mr. Mark Downes, International Security Sector Advisory Team (ISSAT)
Ms. Helen Mack, Myrna Mack Foundation, Guatemala
Facilitation: Mr. Serge Rumin, Federal Department of Foreign Affairs, Switzerland

Workshop 4: Strengthening national prevention architecture: Constructive management of the diversity of identities and minorities
Mr. Adama Dieng*, Office of the Special Advisers on the Prevention of Genocide and on the Responsibility to Protect, United Nations
Ms. Rita Izsák, UN Independent expert on minority issues
Facilitation: Ms. Gay Rosenblum-Kumar, UN Interagency Framework Team for Preventive Action, UNDP

Workshop 5: Strengthening national prevention architecture: Challenges and opportunities in the field of protection of civilians (POC)
Mr. Hansjörg Strohmeyer, UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA)
Facilitation: Mr. Donald Deya, International Coalition for the Responsibility to Protect
SESSION IV

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16:15-18:00

Workshop 6: Preventing atrocities: truth, memory, archives and victims’ voices
Mr. Mofidul Hoque, Liberation War Museum, Bangladesh
Ms. Maria Emma Willis Obregón, National Center on Historical Memory, Colombia
Facilitation: Mr. Federico Villegas Beltrán, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Worship, Argentina

Workshop 7: Preventing atrocities: national infrastructures for prevention and peace
Mr. Francis Azuimah, National Peace Council, Ghana
Mr. Clever Nyathi, University of Pretoria
Ms. Gay Rosenblum-Kumar, UN Interagency Framework Team for Preventive Action, UNDP
Facilitation: Mr. Keith Porter, the Stanley Foundation

Workshop 8: Preventing atrocities: education and remembrance, from the Holocaust Remembrance to the Global Prevention
Mr. Yehuda Bauer, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Mr. Andrew Burns, International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance (IHRA)
Facilitation: Mr. Simon Adams, Global Centre for the Responsibility to Protect (GCR2P)

Workshop 9: Preventing atrocities: on-going monitoring of violations of human rights and international humanitarian law. Challenges for future accountability mechanisms
Ms. Jennifer Leaning, FXB Center for Health and Human Rights, Harvard School of Public Health
Facilitation: Ms. Mô Bleeker, Federal Department of Foreign Affairs, Switzerland

Workshop 10: Preventing atrocities: strengthening national Rule of Law and complementarity
Ms. Fatou Bensouda, International Criminal Court (ICC)
Mr. Carlos Castresana*, Supreme Court of Spain
Facilitation: Mr. Per Bergling, Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Sweden
SESSION IX

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Workshop 11: Preventing atrocities: fact-finding and investigation commissions
Mr. Andras Vamos-Goldman, Justice Rapid Response (JRR)
Facilitation: Mr. Bill Pace, International Coalition for the Responsibility to Protect (ICRtoP)

Workshop 12: Preventing atrocities: the role of the business communities
Ms. Alexandra Guáqueta, UN working group on the issue of human rights and transnational corporations and other business enterprises
Mr. Salil Tripathi, Institute for Human Rights and Business
Facilitation: Mr. Martin Mennecke, University of Southern Denmark and Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Workshop 13: Preventing atrocities through mediation and facilitation
Ms. Gay Rosenblum-Kumar, UN Interagency Framework Team for Preventive Action, UNDP
Mr. George Mukundi Wachira, Harvard Kennedy School of Government
Facilitation: Mr. Tomas Kønigsfeldt, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Denmark

Workshop 14: Preventing atrocities: strengthening community resilience
Ms. LeeAnn McKenna, Partera International
Mr. Ashad Sentongo, Auschwitz Institute for Peace and Reconciliation (AIPR)
Facilitation: Ms. Angela Bruce-Raeburn, the Stanley Foundation