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PEACE WORK IN TRANSFORMATION

40TH ANNIVERSARY CEREMONY AND CONFERENCE



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Anniversary Ceremony and Conference

At the ASPR we can look back on 40 years of peace and conflict resolution work. Participants from around the world have come to Stadtschlaining, and joined numerous international dialogue processes, training exercises, and peacebuilding courses, and research conferences. The research developed here has contributed to improving the peacebuilding community's understanding of the challenges faced.

Transformation has always been a part of our work during our 40 years of engagement. We want it to stay that way for another 40 years, so our anniversary is also an occasion to look forward. The anniversary celebrations and the conference will be dedicated to the topics and challenges of today and tomorrow. With a view to the intersection between the climate crisis and digital technologies with peace and conflict, key figures and experts will discuss their experiences and innovations in the context of the peace work of the future, topics which will be explored in greater depth during the conference workshops.

Long-standing partners of our institute from civil society and academia, from national and international governmental institutions, as well as from international and regional organizations are invited to participate in the celebrations and the conference.

The content of this tentative agenda may be subjected to change.

The events for our anniversary will take place under the current Corona protection regulations.

Team

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Moritz Ehrmann, Christian Strohal, Lukas Wank

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Jubiläumsfeier

Anniversary Celebration

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4 October 2022

1st Conference Day

Rethinking Security-Rethinking Peace Environment, Climate Crisis and Conflict

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5 October 2022

2nd Conference Day

Technology and digitalisation in peace and conflict

Language: English

Closing Remarks

Outlook on Peace and Conflict

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JUBILÄUMSFEIER

3 Oktober 2022

JUBILÄUMSFEIER

Burg Schlaining / Granarium

Friedensarbeit in Transformation

Das ASPR blickt auf 40 Jahre Friedens- und Konfliktarbeit zurück.

Seit unserer Gründung sind wir durch unsere Forschung und durch zahlreiche internationale Dialogprozesse sowie Trainings als Friedensakteur tätig. Wir sehen Transformation als einen wichtigen Teil unserer Arbeit und wollen daher das diesjährige 40-jährige Jubiläum zum Anlass nehmen, einen Blick auf die Themen und Herausforderungen von heute und morgen zu werfen.

16.30	Begrüßung	Mag. Moritz Ehrmann ASPR Direktor
	Videobotschaft	Dr. Alexander Van der Bellen Bundespräsident der Republik Österreich
	Willkommensansprache	Mag. Norbert Darabos ASPR Präsident Bundesminister für Landesverteidigung und Sport a.D.
	Eröffnungsreden	Mag. Hans-Peter Doskozil Landeshauptmann des Burgenlandes Bundesminister für Landesverteidigung und Sport a.D. Dr. Heinz Fischer Ehemaliger Bundespräsident der Republik Österreich Stellvtr. Vorsitz des Ban Ki-moon Centre for Global Citizens

Moderator: **Martin Ganster** Reporter und Redakteur bei ORF Burgenland

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

3 October 2022

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Schlaining Castle / Granarium

Peace Work in Transformation

At ASPR, we look back on 40 years of peace and conflict work.

Since our foundation, we have been working as a peace actor through our research and through numerous international dialogue processes as well as trainings. We see transformation as an important part of our work and therefore want to use this year's 40th anniversary as an opportunity to take a look at the issues and challenges of today and tomorrow.

16.30	Opening	Moritz Ehrmann ASPR Director
	A Message from the President	Alexander Van der Bellen Federal President of the Republic of Austria
	Welcome Address	Norbert Darabos ASPR President Former Austrian Minister of Defence
	Opening Speeches	Hans-Peter Doskozil Governor of Burgenland Former Austrian Minister of Defence Heinz Fischer Former Federal President of the Republic of Austria Co-Chair of the Ban Ki-moon Centre for Global Citizens

Moderator: **Martin Ganster** Reporter and editor at ORF Burgenland

17.30 Grußbotschaften der Kooperationspartner*innen

Dr. Martin Polaschek*
Bundesminister für Bildung, Wissenschaft und Forschung

Mag. Alexander Schallenberg*
Bundesminister für europäische und internationale Angelegenheiten

Mag. Klaudia Tanner*
Bundesministerin für Landesverteidigung

18.00 **40 Jahre Friedensarbeit in Schlaining**

Mag. Ursula Gamauf-Eberhardt
Projektmanagerin für den Bereich Friedenspädagogik des ASPR

Mag. Lukas Wank
ASPR Stellvertretender Direktor

18.30 FESTREDEN
Friedensarbeit - gestern, heute und morgen

Prof. Werner Wintersteiner
Zentrum für Friedensforschung und Friedensbildung
Alpe-Adria Universität Klagenfurt

18.45 **EHRUNG LANGJÄHRIGER WEGBEGLEITER*INNEN DES ASPR**

19.00 EMPFANG *Rittersaal*

17.30 Greetings from the Cooperation partners

Martin Polaschek*
Federal Ministry of Education, Science and Research, Austria

Alexander Schallenberg*
Federal Minister for European and International Affairs, Austria

Klaudia Tanner*
Federal Minister of Defence, Austria

18.00 **40 years of working for peace at Schlaining**

Ursula Gamauf-Eberhardt
ASPR Project Manager for the Peace Education Portfolio

Lukas Wank
ASPR Deputy Director

18.30 KEYNOTES
Peacework - yesterday, today and tomorrow

Werner Wintersteiner
Zentrum für Friedensforschung und Friedensbildung
Alpe-Adria Universität Klagenfurt

18.45 **HONORING LONGSTANDING COMPANIONS OF THE ASPR**

19.00 RECEPTION *Rittersaal*

4 October 2022

1ST CONFERENCE DAY

Granarium

The Future of Peace and Conflict

10.00 OPENING DEBATE

Rethinking Security – Rethinking Peace

Current developments call into question our understanding of peaceful coexistence and cooperative security on the European continent. Many boundaries have been crossed, and many irreversible steps have been taken. In light of this, a return to the status quo ante seems unimaginable. In any case, it seems clear that if security in Europe and beyond its borders has to be rethought, peace has to be rethought as well. Once the dynamics of escalation will have stopped, any way forward will require a long process of dialogue and confidence building on many levels. Such a different perspective on the political shifts and developments we see in the context of Ukraine opens a pathway to avoid zero-sum solutions that could easily become dominant.

Amb. Thomas Greminger Director of the Geneva Centre for Security Policy**Arnold Kammel*** Chief of the Cabinet of the Minister at Federal Ministry of Defence, Austria**Amb. Gregor Kössler** Political Director, Federal Ministry for European and International Affairs, Austria*Moderator: Walter Kemp* Senior Fellow, Global Initiative against Transnational Organized Crime*Rapporteur: Roxana Cristescu* Senior Advisor at the European Institute of Peace

11.30 - 11.45 Coffee Break

11.45 PANEL DEBATE

Game-changer conflicts - What next?**Lessons for Peacebuilding in Ukraine from Kosovo, Iraq and Libya**

Every conflict situation is unique. The recent escalation of the conflict in Ukraine changed the European perception of security and will have effects we still cannot fully foresee. A road back to security, stability and peace is difficult to perceive in Europe. And yet, other regions in the world went through similar game-changing experiences. Against this background, this session will look at lessons that can be drawn from such contexts, in a positive and in a negative sense. Of particular interest will, thus, be the war and conflict in Kosovo, Iraq and Libya since 1999, 2003 and 2011 respectively since they have changed regional and international dynamics in many ways. They have a profound and lasting impact on their respective populations until today. What can be learned for peacebuilding in Ukraine?

Sajad Jiyad Visiting Fellow European Council on Foreign Relations**Maruan El Krekshi** Crisis Management Initiative, Head of MENA Programme**Amb. Wolfgang Petritsch** President Austrian Institute for International Politics**Amb. Martin Sajdik** Former OSCE Representative for the Conflict in and around Ukraine*Moderator: Anna Hess* ASPR Incoming Head of Conflict Resolution*Rapporteur: Roxana Cristescu* Senior Advisor at the European Institute of Peace

13.15 - 14.15 Lunch Break

*) Attendance to be confirmed

14.15 PANEL DISCUSSION

**Environment, Climate Crisis, and Conflict:
A geopolitical perspective**

The climate and ecological crises are accelerating. They will bring with them fundamental changes to geographies, resource distribution and usher humanity into a new phase of fundamental geo-economic transformations. At the moment, these trends are accelerating competition at geopolitical levels rather than competition, causing the multi-lateral system to fragment and suffer a crisis of legitimacy. The war in Ukraine is the latest indication that the international order is shifting into complex territory with international and planetary consequences. The weaponization of economic and energy inter-dependencies is a new trend that threatens the fragmentation of the international community into different spheres, all the while impacting vulnerable countries in a way that dampen stabilization or development prospects. All of this is happening at a time when climate- and technology-related transitions lead to profound changes in societies and in notion of security itself, and lead to more competition for geo-economic dominance. This session will explore the complex links relating geopolitics with planetary boundaries and question what needs to change about the ways in which we conceptualise of and work towards peace. Furthermore it will ask what peace and stability in a climate-disrupted world are? What should it aim to do and can new visions for peace mandates be imagined, even when geopolitical competition flares up?

Andrew Gilmore Executive Director at Berghof Foundation

Amb. Irene Giner-Reichl President of the Global Forum of Sustainable Energy (GFSE)
ASPR Board Member

Thomas Waitz Member of the European Parliament

Moderator & Rapporteur:

Olivia Lazard ASPR Consultant, Visiting Scholar Carnegie Endowment for International Peace

15.45 - 16.00 Coffee Break

16.00 PANEL DISCUSSION

**Environment, Climate Crisis, and Conflict:
A peacebuilding perspective**

Peacebuilders and international mediators often considered themselves marginal to the fight against climate change. In fact, they felt often more powerless than anything, being cornered into handling the consequences of extreme ecological degradation and climate disruptions and the human insecurity they bring with them. But in the overarching climate security narrative of the past decade, peacemakers could not address drivers of climate disruptions. Science has now equipped us with the understanding that ecosystems approaches, environmental protection and regeneration need to feature chiefly at the top of peacemaking priorities – not just for the benefit of climate adaptation and mitigation, but very much for the benefit of local populations and stabilisation at various levels. In fact, it is the latter that needs to take priority. The question remains how to integrate nature at the negotiation table, and how to use the power of regeneration techniques to create better dialogue, reconciliation and stabilization. Peacebuilding efforts now need to understand conflict not just from the perspective of human dynamics, but from the perspective of eco-systemic integrity and that of the relationships between human societies and their natural environment.

Luc Gnacadja Former Minister of the Environment, Housing, and Urban Planning in Benin
Former Executive Secretary of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification

Igli Hasani OSCE Co-ordinator of Economic and Environmental Activities

Mariko Peters Senior Peace & Conflict Adviser at European External Action Service

Moderator & Rapporteur:

Olivia Lazard ASPR Consultant, Visiting Scholar Carnegie Endowment for International Peace

18.30 Dinner Reception

19.30 Filmscreening in collaboration with This Human World Filmfestival Vienna

5 October 2022

2ND CONFERENCE DAY

Granarium & Seminar Rooms

Technology and Digitalisation in Peace and Conflict

9.15 OPENING DEBATE

Technology and Digitalisation in Peace and Conflict: Two Sides of One Coin?

The development of new technology often brings with it a certain idealism and the promise for a better future, but technology can also be used for harm. In practice this means that new and emerging technologies increasingly play a central role in contemporary and atypical forms of conflict, both, as drivers of conflicts and as tools for conflict work. Assessing contemporary security threats and risks as well as exploring the potential of technologies for conflict prevention and peacebuilding will therefore be the focus of this debate. Hence, presenters will address topics such as the potentials and pitfalls at the interface between technology-peace-conflict as well as its political impacts, not least with regard to Ukraine.

Amb. Tuula Yrjölä Director of the OSCE Conflict Prevention Center and Deputy Head of the OSCE Secretariat

Further speakers to be announced.

Moderator: David Lanz Representative for Dialogue Promotion at Crisis Group

Rapporteur: Raluca Csernatoni ASPR Consultant, Visiting scholar at Carnegie Europe

11.15 - 11.30 *Coffee Break*

11.30 - 14.00

MARKETPLACE

Tools, Technologies, and Trends in the service of Peace

Following up from the morning panel debate, short introductory ignite talks will set the frame for what Peace-Tech can mean in practice. Then, enjoy a boxed lunch while embarking on a self-guided tour through our Marketplace with a chance to engage with PeaceTech tools of various organisations and learn about their approaches and how these tools are used to respond to conflicts. Get inspired by exchanging with other conference members about PeaceTech, the latest projects and innovative ideas in this domain.

Booth Hosts will be communicated in the weeks leading up to the conference.

13.00 *Lunch*

14.30 - 15.30

CLOSING REMARKS

Outlook on Peace and Conflict

Moritz Ehrmann ASPR Director

Roxana Cristescu Senior Advisor at the European Institute of Peace

Raluca Csernatoni ASPR Consultant, Visiting scholar at Carnegie Europe

Olivia Lazard ASPR Consultant, Visiting Scholar Carnegie Endowment for International Peace

Lukas Wank ASPR Deputy Director



Moderator: Amb. Christian Strohal Former Director of ODIHR-OSCE

16.00 *Departure to Vienna*



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