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If you have any comments about the EPLO Conflict Prevention Newsletter or suggestions for the next issue (December 2012), please contact [Ben Moore](mailto:Ben.Moore@eplo.org).

## EU IN THE WORLD UPDATE

**Council of the EU:** The Foreign Affairs Council (FAC) met on 15 October in Luxembourg. EU foreign and development ministers adopted conclusions on Mali, Syria, Iran, Belarus, Georgia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Europe's engagement with civil society in external relations, social protection in EU development co-operation, financing for development and the annual report on the EU's development and external assistance policies in 2011. They also:

- took stock of the preparation for the task force meeting with Egypt (13-14 November, Cairo)
- took stock of the Middle East Peace Process as a follow-up to events in the UN General Assembly in September
- exchanged views on the outcome of the EU-China Summit (20 September, Brussels)
- discussed the principles which should underpin a comprehensive approach to the post-2015 development agenda and the Rio+20 follow-up
- discussed how best to provide support for sustainable change to countries undergoing major political, social and economic reforms (on the basis of the European Commission (EC) communication on 'EU support for sustainable change in transition societies'), and how to take full advantage of EU Member States' own transition experience and expertise
- discussed ways of addressing chronic vulnerability and building resilience to crises (on the basis of the joint communication on 'The EU approach to resilience: learning from food security crises')
- adopted a declaration on the award of the Nobel Peace Prize to the EU (see Page 3)
- authorised the EC to open negotiations for a framework agreement with Kosovo concerning its participation in EU programmes
- adopted revised guidelines in UN system organisations, the EU coordination of applications and support for third country candidates
- adopted an EU position for the sixth meeting of the Association Council with Lebanon (17 October, Brussels)
- agreed to endorse the African Union's request to replenish the African Peace Facility by reallocating € 100 million from the general reserves of the tenth European Development Fund

The General Affairs Council (GAC) met on 24 September in Brussels and on 16 October in Luxembourg. In September, EU foreign and European affairs ministers:

- discussed the EU's multiannual financial framework (MFF) for the 2014-2020 period on the basis of a revised negotiating box prepared by the Cyprus presidency

- took note of an annotated draft agenda for the European Council meeting (18-19 October, Brussels)
- decided to amend and extend the period of application of decision 2007/641/EC on the conclusion of consultations with the Republic of the Fiji Islands
- extended the EU police mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (EUPOL RD Congo) by 12 months (see below)
- extended the EU mission to provide advice and assistance for security sector reform in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (EUSEC RD Congo) by 12 months (see below)

In October, they:

- examined draft conclusions for the European Council meeting (18-19 October, Brussels)
- examined a draft annotated agenda for the special European Council meeting (22-23 November, Brussels)
- discussed the EU's MFF 2014-2020
- approved an interinstitutional agreement on access by the European Parliament (EP) to classified information on matters other than Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP)

Click [here](#) to download the FAC conclusions and [here](#) to download the GAC conclusions.

**European Council:** The European Council met on 18-19 October in Brussels. EU heads of state and government held an exchange of views on the EU's relations with its strategic partners and called for the full implementation of the internal arrangements agreed in September 2010 to improve the EU's external relations. They also endorsed the FAC conclusions of 15 October on Syria and Mali, stressed its serious and deepening concerns over Iran's nuclear programme, and expressed the European Council's gratitude that the EU was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize.

Click [here](#) to download the European Council conclusions.

**Common Security and Defence Policy (CSDP):** On 24 September, EU foreign and European affairs ministers meeting as the GAC extended EUPOL RD Congo until 30 September 2013 and allocated a budget of € 6.75 million for the period 1 October 2012 to 30 September 2013. They also extended EUSEC RD Congo until 30 September 2013 and allocated a budget of € 11 million for the period 1 October 2012 to 30 September 2013.

On 25 September, the EU Political and Security Committee (PSC) appointed Colonel Francesco Bruzese del Pozzo (Italy) Head of Mission for the EU border assistance mission for the Rafah crossing point (EUBAM Rafah).

On 2 October, the PSC appointed Colonel Jean-Louis Nurenberg (Luxembourg) Head of Mission for EUSEC RD Congo.

## EU IN THE WORLD UPDATE (CONTINUED)

**CSDP (Continued):** On 29 October, the EU and the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (FYROM) signed a framework agreement for the latter's participation in EU crisis management operations.

And finally, on 7 November, the EU High Representative (HR) for Foreign and Security Policy, Catherine Ashton, made a speech on the CSDP to the EP Subcommittee on Security and Defence.

Click [here](#) to download the press release about the framework agreement with the FYROM, and [here](#) to download HR Ashton's speech on the CSDP (7 November, Brussels).

**European External Action Service (EEAS):** On 1 October, the EU launched its seventh crisis management exercise: Multilayer 2012 (ML12). It was organised by the EEAS under the provisions of the Lisbon Treaty and was aimed at 'exercising and evaluating the crisis response and management structures of the CFSP/CSDP and their interaction with the full range of EU crisis response mechanisms'.

On 9 November, HR Ashton announced the following appointments within the EEAS:

- Roland Schäfer (Germany) – Director for the Americas
- Bjorn Larsson (Sweden) – Director for Human Resources
- Stephan Auer (Germany) – Director for Multilateral Relations and Global Issues

- Joëlle Jenny (UK) – Director for Conflict Prevention and Security Policy
- Pēteris Ustubs (Latvia) – Director for West and Central Africa and Sahel Coordinator
- Jacek Bylica (Poland) – Principal Adviser and Special Envoy for Non-proliferation and Disarmament

HR Ashton also announced her intention to appoint the following people as heads of EU delegations, subject to necessary accreditation and administrative procedures:

- Andrew Jacobs – EU Delegation for the Pacific (Fiji)
- Matthias Brinkmann – EU Delegation to Iceland
- Rupert Joy (UK) – EU Delegation to Morocco
- Juan Fernandez Trigo (Spain) – EU Delegation to Uruguay

On 12 November, HR Ashton participated in the first interinstitutional meeting of the Union for the Mediterranean (UfM).

And finally, on 13 November, HR Ashton inaugurated a partly EU-funded crisis room in the League of Arab States headquarters in Cairo.

Click [here](#) to download the press release about Multilayer 2012, [here](#) to download the press release about the new EEAS appointments and [here](#) to download the press release about the first interinstitutional meeting of the UfM.

## EU AGENDA

**European Council:** The next meeting of the European Council will take place on 13-14 December in Brussels.

**Council of the EU:** The next meeting of the Foreign Affairs Council (FAC) will take place on 10 December and the next meeting of the General Affairs Council (GAC) will take place on 11 December. The following Council committees and working group parties will also meet in December:

- **Political and Security Committee:** 10, 11, 18, 19 and 21
- **Civilian Aspects of Crisis Management:** 10, 12, 17 and 19
- **Development Co-operation:** 10
- **Africa:** 12 and 19
- **Global Disarmament and Arms Control:** 11, 17 and 18

**European Parliament:** The next European parliament plenary sessions will take place on 10-13 December in Strasbourg. The following European parliamentary (sub-) committees will also meet in December:

- **Foreign Affairs:** 10
- **Development:** 10, and 17-18
- **Human Rights:** 10
- **Women's Rights and Gender Equality:** 17-18
- **International Trade:** 17-18
- **Budgets:** 18
- **Budgetary Control:** 17-18

### EPLO Office

**Catherine Woollard:** Executive Director

**Yasmine Abou Mansour:** Senior Associate

**Joanna Hosa:** Programme Assistant

**Josephine Liebl:** Senior Policy Officer

**Ben Moore:** Senior Policy Officer

**Giulia Pasquinelli:** Policy Officer

**Anna Penfrat:** Policy Assistant

**Antonia Potter Prentice:** Senior Associate

**Najoua Sbai:** Events and Office Coordinator

### NEW! ARE YOU UNDERTAKING RESEARCH ON THE EU AND CONFLICT?

Click [here](#) to find out more about the 'Academic Friends of EPLO' initiative.

### WANT TO KNOW WHAT'S HAPPENING AT EPLO?

Visit the EPLO [website](#) or [Facebook page](#) for information about recent publications and upcoming events (including EPLO lunch events).

### EPLO BLOG

Click [here](#) to read the latest posts on the EU, peacebuilding and conflict prevention.

### GOT A QUESTION ABOUT THE EU AND PEACEBUILDING?

Click [here](#) to contact the EPLO Help Desk.



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## EU DOCUMENTS

**High Representative (HR) / President of the European Council / Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP)**

- 13 November 2012 – [Statement](#) by the spokesperson of HR Ashton on the appointment of a new government in Somalia
- 13 November 2012 – [Statement](#) by HR Ashton on the creation of the National Coalition for Opposition Forces and the Syrian Revolution
- 12 November 2012 – [Statement](#) by HR Ashton on the latest escalation of violence between Gaza and Israel
- 8 November 2012 – [Statement](#) by the spokesperson of HR Ashton on the publication of tenders to expand Israeli settlements
- 7 November 2012 – [Statement](#) by HR Ashton after the meeting in the framework of the EU-facilitated dialogue
- 7 November 2012 – [Statement](#) by the spokesperson of HR Ashton on the recent violence in Bahrain
- 3 November 2012 – [Statement](#) by HR Ashton on the appointment of the new government in Libya
- 26 October 2012 – [Statement](#) by the spokesperson of HR Ashton on the renewed violence in Rakhine State in Myanmar
- 24 October 2012 – [Statement](#) by the spokesperson of HR Ashton on recent violence in Bahrain
- 23 October 2012 – [Statement](#) by HR Ashton, on the first anniversary of the Declaration of Liberation in Libya on 23 October 2012
- 22 October 2012 – [Statement](#) by the spokesperson of HR Ashton following the visit to Brussels of Colombian High Commissioner for Peace Sergio Jaramillo
- 19 October 2012 – [Statement](#) by the spokesperson of HR Ashton on the expansion of the Israeli settlement of Gilo
- 19 October 2012 – [Statement](#) by HR Ashton on the continuation of the EU-facilitated dialogue
- 18 October 2012 – [Statement](#) by the spokesperson of HR Ashton on the EU-facilitated dialogue
- 12 October 2012 – [Comments](#) by President Herman Van Rompuy following the announcement of the 2012 Nobel Peace Prize
- 10 October 2012 – [Statement](#) by President Herman Van Rompuy on the appointment of Romano Prodi as UN Secretary-General's Special Envoy for Sahel
- 10 October 2012 – [Statement](#) by the spokesperson of HR Ashton on the appointment of Romano Prodi as UN Secretary-General's Special Envoy for Sahel
- 8 October 2012 – [Statement](#) by HR Ashton on the conclusion of the framework peace agreement between the government of the Philippines and the Moro Islamic Liberation Front
- 3 October 2012 – [Statement](#) by HR Ashton on the extension of the mandate of NATO Secretary-General Anders Fogh Rasmussen
- 2 October 2012 – [Joint Statement](#) by HR Ashton and Commissioner Štefan Füle on the results of Georgia's parliamentary elections
- 27 September 2012 – [Statement](#) by President Herman Van Rompuy at the High-Level Meeting on the situation in eastern Democratic Republic of the Congo
- 27 September 2012 – [Statement](#) by HR Ashton on the agreements concluded between Sudan and South Sudan in Addis Ababa
- 27 September 2012 – [Remarks](#) by HR Ashton at the UN General Assembly Mini-Summit on Somalia
- 26 September 2012 – [Address](#) to the 67th General Assembly of the United Nations by President Herman Van Rompuy
- 26 September 2012 – [Statement](#) by President Herman Van Rompuy at the High-Level Meeting on the Sahel
- 25 September 2012 – [Remarks](#) by HR Ashton at the High-Level Roundtable Discussion on Water, Peace and Security
- 25 September 2012 – [Declaration](#) by HR Ashton, on behalf of the EU on recent developments in East Asia's maritime areas
- 25 September 2012 – [Press Release](#): EU commitment to "Equal Futures Partnership" – Political participation and economic empowerment for women
- 24 September 2012 – [Declaration](#) by HR Ashton on behalf of the EU on the final results of the elections in Angola
- 24 September 2012 – [Statement](#) by the spokesperson of HR Ashton following the meetings of the Ad Hoc Liaison Committee and the Ad Hoc Liaison Committee Chair with donors
- 21 September 2012 – [Statement](#) by HR Ashton ahead of the summit between the Presidents of Sudan and South Sudan
- 21 September 2012 – [Statement](#) by HR Ashton on the release of political prisoners in Myanmar
- 20 September 2012 – [Joint statement](#) by HR Ashton, the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation Secretary General, the Arab League Secretary General, and the Chairperson of the Commission of the African Union

**Council**

- 14 November 2012 – [Press Release](#): EU-Egypt Task Force agrees major package of economic and political assistance for Egyptian transition
- 14 November 2012 – [Press Release](#): EU-Egypt Task Force co-chairs conclusions
- 13 November 2012 – [Press Release](#): Cairo Declaration – EU-League of Arab States ministerial meeting
- 13 November 2012 – [Joint Communiqué](#) – EU-Bolivia High Level Dialogue
- 9 November 2012 – [Press Release](#): EU support to the Libyan National General Congress
- 6 November 2012 – [Press Release](#): The European Union continues to support civil society peace building efforts over Nagorno-Karabakh
- 24 October 2012 – [Press Release](#): The EU and the Palestinian Authority conclude negotiations on a new ENP Joint Action Plan
- 17 October 2012 – [Press Release](#): EU-Lebanon Association Council: cementing ties through a renewed partnership
- 27 September 2012 – [Press Release](#): Council lifts sanctions to recognise progress in Transnistria negotiations

**Parliament**

- 26 October 2012 – [Resolution](#) on the Elections in Georgia
- 25 October 2012 – [Resolution](#) on the Procedures for applying the EC-Serbia Stabilisation and Association Agreement and the EC-Serbia Interim Agreement
- 25 October 2012 – [Resolution](#) on the EU report on policy coherence for development (2011)
- 23 October 2012 – [Resolution](#) on the Multiannual financial framework for the years 2014-2020
- 23 October 2012 – [Resolution](#) on the Community regime for the control of exports, transfer, brokering and transit of dual-use items
- 23 October 2012 – [Resolution](#) on a Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an association between the EC and Israel on Conformity Assessment and Acceptance of Industrial Products (CAA)
- 23 October 2012 – [Resolution](#) on the Future of EU development policy

**Commission**

- 7 November 2012 – [Report](#) on 2011 Activity under the EIB External Mandate
- 23 October 2012 – [Communication](#) on the Commission Work Programme 2013
- 11 October 2012 – [Joint Report](#) on the Implementation of the Agenda for Action on Democracy Support in the EU's External Relations
- 10 October 2012 – [Communication](#) on Enlargement Strategy and Main Challenges 2012-2013
- 10 October 2012 – [Communication](#) on a Feasibility Study for a Stabilisation and Association Agreement between the EU and Kosovo
- 3 October 2012 – [Joint Communication](#) on EU support for sustainable change in transition societies

## NOBEL PEACE PRIZE 2012

On Monday 10 December, the Presidents of the European Council, the European Commission and the European Parliament will travel to Oslo to collect the 2012 Nobel Peace Prize which was awarded to the EU in October for its role in bringing peace, democracy and human rights to Europe.

According to its press release on 12 October: 'The Norwegian Nobel Committee wishes to focus on what it sees as the EU's most important result: the successful struggle for peace and reconciliation and for democracy and human rights. The stabilizing part played by the EU has helped to transform most of Europe from a continent of war to a continent of peace.'

In a [joint statement](#) issued shortly after the Committee's announcement, the President of the European Council, Herman Van Rompuy, and the President of the European Commission, José Manuel Barroso, said: 'Over the last sixty years, the European Union has reunified a continent split by the Cold War around values of respect for human dignity, freedom, democracy, equality, the rule of law and respect for human rights. (...) The European Union will continue to promote peace and security in the countries close to us and in the world at large.'

In a separate [statement](#), the High Representative of the European Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy, and Vice-President of the Commission, Catherine Ashton, said: 'The creation of the European External Action Service has enabled us to develop a comprehensive approach to better promote Europe's core values throughout the world. I will continue to work tirelessly to drive this process forward.'

In a [declaration](#) issued following the meeting of the Foreign Affairs Council on 15 October, EU foreign ministers restated the Council's commitment to 'continue to work tirelessly for peace and in the promotion of fundamental rights and values and to strive to make its external action more coherent, comprehensive and effective.'

Writing on her [blog](#), independent consultant, Laura Davis, suggested that the award of the Nobel Peace Prize to the EU 'should provoke reflection on Europe's past, to learn from it, and apply those lessons to the EU today, both within its borders and globally.'

In an [op-ed on the European Voice website](#), Neil Campbell from the Open Society European Policy Institute suggested that 'a renewed narrative, more accountable governance and effective protection of what has taken 60 years to build – this would be the real dividend from the peace prize.'

The [International Crisis Group](#) stated their hope that 'the EU will continue to expand that zone of stability to its neighbours and also bring the message everywhere that deep regional integration and the strengthening of societies built upon the rule of law can be a tremendous force for peace and stability.'

Similarly, Geert Laporte from the European Center for Development Policy Management (ECDPM) wrote on his organisation's [blog](#) that 'hopefully the Peace Prize will be an incentive for the EU to critically review its role and to increase its relevance in the global world.'

And finally, Marek Marczyński from Amnesty International wrote on his organisation's [website](#) that 'the hope that a Nobel Peace Prize brings today is that the EU will be able to look sincerely on what it got the prize for and what that brings in obligation to make another effort on its human rights record and foreign policy.'

Other interesting reactions came from the following sources:

- Martin Schulz, President of the European Parliament – '[This prize is for all EU citizens](#)'
- Jean-Dominique Giuliani, President of the Robert Schuman Foundation – '[The Nobel appeal](#)'
- Crisis Management Initiative (CMI) – '[CMI and President Antisaari congratulate the EU for the 2012 Nobel Peace Prize](#)'
- Chris Underwood – '[Arise, EU: Nobel Peace Prize](#)'
- Phil Vernon – '[The EU as Nobel Peace Prize winner?](#)'
- Judith Sutherland and Alice Farmer, Human Rights Watch – '[EU, as peacemaker, should welcome those fleeing war](#)' (Op-ed on the European Voice website)
- Jacqueline Hale, Open Society European Policy Institute – '[A new narrative for Europe](#)' (Op-ed on the EUobserver website)

## UPCOMING CIVIL SOCIETY EVENTS

### Conflict Prevention and Human Rights: What Role for the new EU Guidelines on Freedom of Religion or Belief? Monday 10 December, Brussels

*For more information about this meeting, please contact [Catherine Woollard](#).*

### The OSCE peacemaking experience: What lessons and challenges for the EU?

Monday 10 December, Brussels

*For more information about this meeting, please contact [Meeri-Maria Jaarva](#).*

### Making the Tokyo Framework Happen: Promoting development through mutual accountability 10-11 December 2012, Brussels

*For more information about this meeting, please contact the [European Network of NGOs in Afghanistan \(ENNA\)](#).*

### Bringing Divided Communities Together Thursday 31 January 2012, Brussels

*Click [here](#) for more information about this meeting.*



## RECENT PUBLICATIONS FROM EPLO'S MEMBER ORGANISATIONS

### Budapest Centre for the International Prevention of Genocide and Mass Atrocities

- [Executive Summary – Expert-level Meeting on the Improvement of the EU's Capabilities to Prevent Mass Atrocities](#) (September 2012);

### Centre for Humanitarian Dialogue (HD Centre)

- [Meeting Report – Oslo Forum 2012](#) (November 2012)
- [Women's involvement in conflict early warning systems: Moving from rhetoric to reality in Mindanao](#) (October 2012)
- [Taking Peace Into Their Own Hands: An Evaluation of the Tumikang Sama Sama of Sulu, Philippines](#) (September 2012)

### Conciliation Resources

- [UN Guidance for Effective Mediation: Moving Forward](#) (October 2012)
- [The Voice of Peace](#) – Issue 3 (June-September 2012)
- [Armenia and Azerbaijan: what can societies do when political judgement errs?](#) (September 2012)
- [Lebanon: a fate beyond its control?](#) September 2012)
- [Dialogue Through Film: A Handbook](#) (September 2012)

### International Alert

- [Voices across borders – Policymakers and diasporas in the UK working for peace and development](#) (November 2012)
- [Integrated or isolated? How state and non-state justice systems work for justice in Nepal](#) (November 2012)
- [Gender in peacebuilding – Taking Stock](#) (October 2012)
- [Ending the Deadlock – Towards a New Vision of Peace in eastern DRC](#) (September 2012)
- [Healing fractured lives: Reconciliation and reintegration in Rwanda](#) (September 2012)
- [Walking in the dark: Informal Cross-border Trade in the Great Lakes Region](#) (September 2012)
- [The North Caucasus Factor in the Georgian-Abkhaz Conflict Context](#) (September 2012)
- [Post-war economic opportunities in northern Uganda](#) (September 2012)
- [A la conquête de la parole: La participation des femmes dans la transition démocratique au Burundi](#) (September 2012)
- [Promouvoir l'égalité des sexes dans les processus de décentralisation et dans la gouvernance locale: Leçons du Rwanda](#) (September 2012)
- [La participation des femmes dans les processus de paix et la prise de décision politique en République Démocratique du Congo](#) (September 2012)
- [Women's political participation and economic empowerment in post-conflict countries: Lessons from the Great Lakes region in Africa](#) (September 2012)
- [Peace and Conflict Assessment of South Sudan 2012](#) (September 2012)

### International Center for Transitional Justice

- [Engaging Children and Youth in Transitional Justice Processes: Guidance for Outreach Programs](#) (November 2012)
- [Relief, Reparations, and the Root Causes of Conflict in Nepal](#) (October 2012)

### International Crisis Group

- [The Philippines: Breakthrough in Mindanao](#) – Asia Report N°240, (December 2012);
- [CrisisWatch](#) N°112 (December 2012)
- [Turkey's Kurdish Impasse: The View from Diyarbakir](#) – Europe Report N°222 (November 2012)
- [Sudan: Major Reform or More War](#) – Africa Report N°194 (November 2012)
- [Côte d'Ivoire: Defusing Tensions](#) – Africa Report N°193 (November 2012)

- [A Precarious Balancing Act: Lebanon and the Syrian Conflict](#) – Middle East Report N°132 (November 2012)
- [Israel and Hamas: Fire and Ceasefire in a New Middle East](#) – Middle East Report N°133 (November 2012)
- [Sri Lanka: Tamil Politics and the Quest for a Political Solution](#) – Asia Report N°239 (November 2012)
- [Myanmar: Storm Clouds on the Horizon](#) – Asia Report N°238 (November 2012)
- [CrisisWatch](#) N°111 (November 2012)
- [Burundi: Bye-bye Arusha?](#) – Africa Report N°192 (October 2012)
- [The North Caucasus: The Challenges of Integration \(I\), Ethnicity and Conflict](#) – Europe Report N°220 (October 2012)
- [The North Caucasus: The Challenges of Integration \(II\), Islam, the Insurgency and Counter-Insurgency](#) – Europe Report N°221 (October 2012)
- [Implementing Peace and Security Architecture \(II\): Southern Africa](#) – Africa Report N°191 (October 2012)
- [Tentative Jihad: Syria's Fundamentalist Opposition](#) – Middle East Report N°131 (October 2012)
- [Pakistan: No End To Humanitarian Crises](#) – Asia Report N°237 (October 2012)
- [Assessing Turkey's Role in Somalia](#) – Africa Briefing N°92 (October 2012)
- [Afghanistan: The Long, Hard Road to the 2014 Transition](#) – Asia Report N°236 (October 2012)
- [Eastern Congo: Why Stabilisation Failed](#) – Africa Briefing N°91 (October 2012)
- [Malaysia's Coming Election: Beyond Communalism?](#) – Asia Report N°235 (October 2012)
- [CrisisWatch](#) N°110 (October 2012)

### Kosovar Center for Security Studies

- [Critical Discourse Analysis: \(De\) Constructing EULEX discourse](#) (September 2012)

### Life & Peace Institute

- [Horn of Africa Bulletin](#) (September-October 2012)
- [Food: An issue of security, governance and justice](#) – New Routes Volume 17 3/2012 (September 2012)
- [Sudan – North in the shadow of the South](#) (September 2012)

### Oxfam International

- [Beyond Ceasefire: Ending the blockade of Gaza](#) (December 2012)
- [How Can a Post-2015 Agreement Drive Real Change? \(Revised Edition\)](#) (November 2012)
- [Commodities of War: Communities speak out on the true cost of conflict in eastern DRC](#) (November 2012)
- [The Adaptation Challenge: Key issues for crop production and agricultural livelihoods under climate change in the Russian Federation](#) (October 2012)
- [Salt, Sugar, and Malaria Pills: How the Affordable Medicine Facility-malaria endangers public health](#) (October 2012)
- [First Line of Defence: Assessing the potential of local food reserves in the Sahel](#) (October 2012)
- [Growing a Better Future in Viet Nam: Expanding rights, voices and choices for small-scale farmers](#) (October 2012)
- [Planting Now \(2nd Edition\): Revitalizing agriculture for reconstruction and development in Haiti](#) (October 2012)
- ['Our Land, Our Lives': Time out on the global land rush](#) (October 2012)
- [Busan in a Nutshell: What next for the Global Partnership for Effective Development Cooperation?](#) (September 2012)
- [Still Waiting for Change in Yemen: Making the political transition work for women](#) (September 2012)

## RECENT PUBLICATIONS FROM EPLO'S MEMBER ORGANISATIONS (CONTINUED)

### Quaker Council for European Affairs

- [Around Europe 346](#) (October 2012)
- [Briefing paper: EU Trade with Israeli Settlements](#) (September 2012)
- [Briefing paper: Foreign Policy in the News](#) (September 2012)
- [A Guide to Getting Involved Part 1: European Parliament](#) (September 2012)

### Saferworld

- [Annual Review 2011-12: New Perspectives for Peace](#) (November 2012)
- [Taking an 'upstream' approach to conflict prevention](#) (September 2012)
- [Finishing the job: Delivering a bullet-proof ATT](#) (October 2012)
- [Still time to act: rising conflict fears in Kosovo](#) (October 2012)
- [Training Of Trainers Manual: Gender And Security For The Media And Civil Society](#) (October 2012)

- [Moving beyond promises: Perceptions, priorities and participation of youth in Yemen's transition](#) (October 2012)
- [Contribution to the EC Consultation: Towards a post-2015 development framework](#) (September 2012)
- [China ATT Update](#) (September 2012)
- [Taking international action to prevent sexual and gender-based violence](#) (September 2012)

### swisspeace

- [Transitional Justice: Justice by Bureaucratic Means?](#) (October 2012)
- [Escaping the Resource Curse: Ethnic Inclusion in Resource-Rich States in West Africa](#) (September 2012)
- [State-Building, Legitimacy, and Development in Fragile Contexts](#) (August 2012)

## JOB VACANCIES AND INTERNSHIPS IN EPLO'S MEMBER ORGANISATIONS

### Job Vacancies

#### Berghof Foundation

- [Student Assistant – Language Editing](#)

#### International Alert

- [New Business Manager](#), London (Deadline: 14 December 2012)

#### International Crisis Group:

- [Analyst – Somalia](#), Nairobi or in the region
- [Office Manager – New York](#)
- [Project Director – Colombia/Andes](#) Bogotá
- [Senior Analyst – Sahel](#), Dakar or in the region

#### Interpeace

- [Somali Programme Director](#), Nairobi

#### Nonviolent Peaceforce

- [Assistant Civilian Protection Component Manager](#), Mindanao, Philippines
- [Database Administrator](#), Minneapolis, USA
- [International Civilian Peacekeeper](#), Mindanao, Philippines
- [International Civilian Protection Monitor](#), Mindanao, Philippines
- [Programme Development Manager](#), Makati, Philippines
- [Senior Programme Design and Fundraising Coordinator](#), Juba (Deadline: 10 December 2012)

#### Oxfam International

- [Head Of Office](#), Washington DC (Deadline: 14 December 2012)
- [HR Manager](#), Oxford, UK (Deadline: 9 December 2012)
- [Approximately 270 vacancies in Oxfam affiliates](#)

#### Saferworld

- [Project Officer – Kenya, Nairobi](#) (Deadline: 10 December 2012)

### Search for Common Ground

- [Programme Associate](#), Bujumbura
- [Graphic Designer](#), Washington DC
- [Managing Editor – Common Ground News / Program Officer Muslim-Western Understanding](#), Washington DC
- [International Grants Officer](#), Washington DC
- [Editor – Common Ground Productions](#), Washington DC
- [Communications Coordinator](#), Washington DC

### Internships / Volunteering

#### [Budapest Centre for the International Prevention of Genocide and Mass Atrocities](#)

#### [Centre for Humanitarian Dialogue \(HD Centre\)](#) Geneva

#### [Global Partnership for the Prevention of Armed Conflict](#) The Hague

#### [International Alert](#), London

#### [International Crisis Group](#) Beijing, Bogotá, Brussels, Dakar, Guatemala, Istanbul, Nairobi, New York and Washington DC

#### [Life & Peace Institute](#) Uppsala, Sweden; Democratic Republic of Congo and Nairobi

#### [Pax Christi International](#) Brussels

#### [IKV Pax Christi](#) Utrecht

#### [Search for Common Ground](#) Angola, Brussels, Washington DC

#### [swisspeace](#) Bern

#### [World Vision](#) USA (various)

## TRAINING COURSES

### forumZFD (Academy for Conflict Transformation)

- [Designing Peace Projects](#), 10-12 December, Königswinter, Germany

### PATRIR (International Peace and Development Training Centre)

- [Executive Leadership Programme: Improving Strategic Impact, Quality and Effectiveness in Peacebuilding and Peace Support Operations](#), 18-20 March 2012, London, UK

### swisspeace

- [Connecting Human Rights and Conflict Transformation – From Concepts to Practice](#), 30 January – 1 February 2013, Bern, Switzerland

## EPLO MEMBERS

Berghof Foundation  
 Budapest Centre for the International Prevention of Genocide and Mass Atrocities  
 Catholic Organization for Relief and Development Aid (CORDAID)  
 Centre for Humanitarian Dialogue (HD Centre)  
 Civil Society Conflict Prevention Network (KATU)  
 Conciliation Resources  
 Crisis Management Initiative  
 Dialogue Advisory Group  
 ESSEC IRENÉ  
 European Network for Civil Peace Services  
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 Interpeace  
 Kosovar Center for Security Studies  
 Kvinna till Kvinna  
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 Nansen Dialogue Network  
 NGO Support Centre  
 Nonviolent Peaceforce  
 Oxfam International  
 Partners for Democratic Change International  
 Pax Christi International  
 Quaker Council for European Affairs  
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 swisspeace  
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EPLO welcomes applications from peacebuilding organisations.

The next deadline for membership applications will be **1 May 2013**.

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## CIVIL SOCIETY DIALOGUE NETWORK

The Civil Society Dialogue Network (CSDN) is a three-year project funded by the European Commission aimed at facilitating dialogue on peacebuilding issues between civil society and the EU institutions. It will contribute to strengthening international and regional capacity for conflict prevention and post-conflict co-operation.

For more information about the Civil Society Dialogue Network, please visit the [EPLO website](#).

### Latest Events

**Funding Instruments Meeting:  
 2013 Annual Action Programmes & 2014-2020 Strategic Programming Orientations**  
 Thursday 6 December, Brussels

For more information about this meeting, please contact [Ben Moore](#).

**Member State Meeting:  
 Towards a comprehensive approach in EU external action: the role of France**  
 December, Paris

For more information about this meeting, please contact [Josephine Liebl](#).

**Policy Meeting: Private Sector and Conflict**  
 October 2012, Brussels

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**Policy Meeting: Peacebuilding and Development**  
 October 2012, Brussels

For more information about this meeting, please contact [Ben Moore](#).

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EPLO's mission is to influence the EU to be more active and more effective at promoting peace and preventing violent conflict throughout the world.

EPLO wants the EU to recognise the crucial connection between peacebuilding, the eradication of poverty, and sustainable development worldwide and the crucial role NGOs have to play in sustainable EU efforts for peacebuilding, conflict prevention, and crisis management.

EPLO advances the interests of its members through common policy positions and consequently advocating for those common positions. EPLO disseminates information and promotes understanding of EU policies of concern to its members. The Office also builds solidarity and co-operation amongst its members and with other relevant NGO networks.

Finally, EPLO raises awareness about the contribution the EU should make to peacebuilding and the need to hold the EU accountable to its own political commitments of helping secure peace within and outside its borders.

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