Call for Proposals to Contribute to Conference
Transforming Intractable Conflicts: Their Restructuring and Reframing
Organized by: PARCC at the Maxwell School and The Tami Steinmetz Center for Peace Research, Tel Aviv University
To be held: Syracuse University | September 2016
Revised Deadline for Proposals: February 19, 2016

In celebration of its 30th anniversary, the Program of the Advancement of Research on Conflict and Collaboration (PARCC) will partner with The Tami Steinmetz Center for Peace Research to hold an interdisciplinary conference in September 2016. The conference will reflect on the past 25 years of conflict and conflict resolution studies across multiple disciplines and fields of study since the 1989 publication of Intractable Conflicts and their Transformation co-edited by Louis Kriesberg, Terrell A. Northrup and Stuart J. Thorson. The conference will consist of theoretical panels and panels devoted to specific case studies to explore the evolution of the field in the last quarter century.

The PARCC conference committee encourages paper proposals (1-2 pages) from faculty or advanced PhD students focused on all types of “intractable conflicts” and their transformation (international, national or local) and/or conceptual and theoretical ways of addressing such conflicts. Topics for submission may include resolved, longstanding, or emerging conflicts. We are particularly interested in proposals that consider how diverse literatures across different disciplines and fields of study have addressed the following themes of intractable conflict over the past 25 years:

1. The way conflicts have ended and the results (may include ripeness and peacebuilding)
2. The role of social movements and non-state actors such as NGOs, media, etc.
3. The challenges of spoiling actions and how they may be overcome
4. Effective negotiation methods and roles of mediation and other interventions
5. Contributions of leadership at various levels

Submit proposals to parcc@maxwell.syr.edu by February 19, 2016.

Authors of selected proposals may elect to submit a paper (20-25 pages) for the conference or a shorter conceptual piece. The goal of the conference is to further develop and revise these papers into book chapters or journal articles.

The conference committee is also interested in identifying Syracuse University faculty who may be interested in serving on panels as chairs or discussants. Please contact either one of the selection committee members, if you have an interest in participating in this capacity.

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