

# CRS

**CONFLICT RESEARCH SOCIETY**

**Call for Papers**  
**The Annual Conference 2020:**  
***Building Bridges, Not Walls:***  
***Addressing Conflict and Reconciliation in Research***  
***and Practice***  
**at Queen's University Belfast**



The 2020 Conflict Research Society (CRS) Conference will take place on September 3-4 at Queen's University Belfast in Riddell Hall hosted by the School of History, Anthropology, Philosophy and Politics and The Mitchell Institute for Global Peace, Security and Justice.

The conference will feature three keynote talks, including Richard English (Queen's University Belfast) and the winner of the CRS book prize. Previous book prize winners have included Christine Cheng for *Extralegal Groups in Post-Conflict Liberia*, and Kristin Bakke for *Decentralization and Intrastate Struggles: Chechnya, Punjab, and Québec*. For a full list of winners, see [here](#). In the final keynote talk, Jo Berry and Patrick Magee will be sharing their story of meeting in 2000, 16 years after Patrick Magee planted a bomb in a Brighton hotel which killed Jo's father. To mark the 20-year anniversary working together building bridges towards peace and reconciliation, they will have a public conversation about the lessons learned, the challenges, and why they are still meeting.

We invite you now to submit panel and individual paper proposals that bridge theory, empirics, and practice in peace and conflict research. Deadline for submissions: **14 February 2020**

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This year the CRS are continuing with the workshop format that will take place on the day before the conference (i.e., Wednesday September 2). The CRS will provide four rooms that can be used for either a half or a full day workshop. To apply for a workshop, you need to provide a workshop abstract (200 words) and an indicative list of participants. Deadline for submissions: **14 February 2020**

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## Other Conference Calls

**American Political Science  
Association (APSA) Annual  
Conference 2020**

Date: 10-13 September 2020 - San  
Francisco, USA

**Network of European  
Peace Scientists (NEPS)  
Annual Conference 2020**

Date: 20-24 June 2020 - London,  
UK

Abstract submission deadline:  
**14 January 2020**

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Abstract submission deadline:  
**31 January 2020**

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## **Religion and Culture In Conflict and Peace: Impact in Reconciliation and Peacebuilding**

Date: 2-3 June 2020 - Winchester, UK  
Abstract submission deadline:  
**1 February 2020**

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## **The Fifth Pacific International Politics Conference (PIPC) 20202020**

Date: 3-4 July 2020 - Singapore  
Abstract submission deadline:  
**21 February 2020**

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## **International Conference, Archbishop Desmond Tutu Centre for War and Peace Studies**

Date: 29 June 2020 - Liverpool, UK  
Abstract submission deadline: **1 April 2020**

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## **Peace and Conflict Jobs**

### **Associate Professor/Professor of Global Security Challenges, University of Leeds, UK**

Deadline: 12 January 2020  
[Full advertisement](#)

### **Lecturer - International Development, University of Birmingham, UK**

Deadline: 13 January 2020  
[Full advertisement](#)

### **Research Fellow, Northumbria University, Newcastle, UK**

Deadline: 19 January 2020  
[Full advertisement](#)

## Post-Doctoral Researcher, George Mason University, Fairfax, VA, USA

Deadline: 26 January 2020

[Full advertisement](#)

## Research Fellow, University of Oxford, UK

Deadline: 31 January 2020

[Full advertisement](#)

For peace and conflict jobs in the tertiary sector see the website of the [European Peacebuilding Liaison Office \(EPLO\)](#), which lists vacancies for its many members.

For Academic positions see [jobs.ac.uk](#) and [THE](#).

For European academic funding opportunities (including PhDs, Postdocs, etc.) see [EURAXESS](#).

If you have any recommendations to add to this list, please hit reply to this email and let us know!

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## Upcoming Events/Opportunities

### [Strategic and Tactical Slavery in War](#)

When: **13:00-14:30, Monday 13 January** Where: **London, UK**

Throughout history, conflict and war have created conditions in which enslavement thrives. In turn, slavery has featured centrally in many conflicts as both a strategic goal and a means of waging war. Professor Kevin Bales will present the findings to date of a major research project at the Rights Lab (University of Nottingham) exploring the links between slavery and war.

### [OxPeace Negotiation and Mediation Training workshop](#)

When: **16-18 March** Where: **Oxford, UK**

This three-day course will cover the fundamentals of successful international negotiation and mediation, then move to several role plays and simulations up to a comprehensive capstone exercise, simulating negotiations of a complex international crisis in a fragile state. In addition, we would include findings from our latest research on political negotiations and several examples from our experience from (peace) negotiations in the field. This will include a look at mediation in grassroots peacebuilding, and 'infrastructures of peace'.

### [Call for Applications for the Georg Arnhold Senior Fellow 2021](#)

The appointment, for the fellowship including a research stay of up to six months at the GEI, offers outstanding scholars and experienced practitioners in the field of peace education the opportunity to carry out work in the area of education for sustainable peace, preferably with a focus on educational media and

transformation societies, and to discuss their project and findings with other scholars and practitioners at the annual international Summer Conference of the Georg Arnhold Program. **Application deadline: 31 January 2020**

### [The Oslo Forum Peacewriter Prize](#)

The Oslo Forum Peacewriter Prize offers an opportunity to address the challenges posed by this evolving landscape and seeks essays which explore creative strategies for mitigating conflict. Submissions should be practice-oriented and address a geographic or thematic issue relevant to peacemakers.

**Submission deadline: 31 January 2020**

### [International Meeting in Geneva, 2020](#)

When: **30 June - 2 July** Where: **Geneva, Switzerland**

Manas Chatterji and Urs Luterbacher are organising two international meetings to be held in Graduate School of International Studies, Geneva, Switzerland on June 30 to July 2, 2020. These are:

- A) Global Economy and security
- B) Conflict Migration and Human Rights

Anyone interested in making a presentation at these meetings is requested to send a one-paragraph abstract of their paper to [Manas Chatterji](#) or [Urs Luterbacher](#).

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## **CRS Members in Action**

### **Brexit: A Year in Review**

2019 has been a bruising year in Britain, with Brexit continuously debated throughout the year and the year ending with a general election. In his Brexit website Gordon Burt looks at the conflicts and at the statistics. He lists 17 associated discourse conflicts and proposes a 'Self, other, relationships, values and belief systems' (SORVBS) approach. He gives: the statistics to show that the UK election was mainly about Brexit; the weakness of social categories; a model of the proportional loss of vote for the Remain parties; and a cluster analysis of the political geography at UK, national, regional and constituency levels. Read it [here](#).

### **Indicative (SIC) Votes**

Advisory Council Member, Peter Emerson, draws attention to the often overlooked issues of voting systems for multi-option decisions in this timely review. He finds that a preferential points system is the most accurate among the alternatives and uses the UK's relationship with the EU to analyse how different voting systems might have changed the course of history. Read it [here](#).

**DO YOU HAVE AN UPDATE FOR THE CRS?**

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