



# CONFLICT RESEARCH SOCIETY

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## **Dates confirmed for the 2021 and 2022 CRS Annual Conferences**

**The 2021 CRS Annual Conference will be going online, taking place  
between 8-10 September 2021.**

The 2022 CRS Annual Conference will be held at Riddel Hall, Queens  
University Belfast on 8-9 September 2022.

Watch out for our call for papers coming later this month!

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## **Other calls for papers**

### **Network of European Peace Scientists (NEPS) Annual Conference 2021**

Date: 29 June - 1 July 2021

Place: London, UK

Abstract submission deadline:

**1 March 2021**

[Submit an abstract](#)

# Peace and Conflict Jobs

## **Associate Senior Lecturer in Peace and Conflict Research, Uppsala University, Sweden**

Deadline: 17 February 2021

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## **Senior Lecturer in Peace and Conflict Research, Uppsala University, Sweden**

Deadline: 17 February 2021

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## **Senior Projects Officer, Syria Programme, International Alert, London, UK**

Deadline: 18 February 2021

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## **Research Fellow specialising in West African security, University of Portsmouth, UK**

Deadline: 22 February 2021

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## **Postdoctoral Research Associate, University of Liverpool, UK**

Deadline: 24 February 2021

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## **Research Officer in Men, Peace and Security, London School of Economics and Political Science, UK**

Deadline: 25 February 2021

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## **Research Officer in Women's Rights After War, London School of Economics and Political Science, UK**

Deadline: 25 February 2021

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## **Director - International Alert Europe, London, UK**

Deadline: 26 February 2021

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## **Professor/Reader in International Cooperation & Conflict, University of Strathclyde, UK**

Deadline: 28 February 2021

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## **Postdoctoral Researcher, swisspeace, Basel, Switzerland**

Deadline: 28 February 2021

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### **Lecturer in Military Psychology, University of Liverpool, UK**

Deadline: 3 March 2021

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### **Research Fellow, Queen's University Belfast, UK**

Deadline: 3 March 2021

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### **Research Fellow, GIGA German Institute for Global and Area Studies, Hamburg, Germany**

Deadline: 15 March 2021

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### **Lecturer in International Relations, King's College London, UK**

Deadline: 16 March 2021

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### **Assistant Professor of War, Peace and Justice, University of Leiden, Netherlands**

Deadline: 20 March 2021

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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**

### **[Upcoming events in the Understanding Violence Seminar Series, an online series co-hosted by King's College London and the CRS](#)**

The Understanding Violence Seminar Series explores the drivers of violent and peaceful behaviour, with a focus on the impact of trauma in conflict-affected states. Throughout 2020-21, we will be inviting a range of speakers including diplomats, academics, activists, journalists, and policy practitioners, who will bring new disciplinary insights and inspire new ways for thinking through the challenges of armed conflict and its aftermath.

**Events this month:**

No safe place: Prevalence and correlates of violence against conflict-affected women and girls in South Sudan

Date: **17 February** Time:15:00-16:15

Researching Armed Actors

Date: **24 February** Time:15:00-16:15

### [The Bukavu Expo](#)

The Bukavu Series online exhibition explores the power dynamics between researchers from the Global North and the Global South. The Series is a visual extension of the Silent Voices Blog: Bukavu Series, which discusses how knowledge is produced across academia and the ethical issues that arise from conducting research in conflict sites. This series is the outcome of a collaboration between Angaza Institute, the Groupe d'Etudes sur les Conflits/Sécurité Humanitaire (GEC-SH), Juwa (UCL) and the Conflict Research Group (Ghent University), and is hosted by the Governance in Conflict Network (GIC).

This online exhibition is an initiative led by the Conflict Research Programme at the London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE) and the Governance in Conflict Network.

### [International Virtual Meeting in Geneva: Globalisation, COVID-19, and International Migration](#)

Dates: **16-18 March 2021**

The seminar will focus on taking stock of globalization in the context and experience of the epidemic. It will focus on economic, security and governance aspects, the questions they raise in current and prospective terms, and the reflections and work to be carried out. Anyone interested in attending should contact [Urs Luterbacher](#).

### [International meeting \(online\) on Sustainability Disaster Management and Peace](#)

An International meeting (online) on Sustainability Disaster Management and Peace will be held at Mahatma Gandhi International Center of Conflict Prevention and Management, ABBS School of Management, Bangalore, India on **July 26-27, 2021**.

Persons interested to participate are requested to contact [Manas Chatterji](#), or [Madhumita Chatterji](#) for details.

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## **CRS Members in Action**

**Feargal Cochrane Book Launch: [Breaking Peace:](#)**

## [Brexit and Northern Ireland](#)

In this online lecture Feargal argued that argue that Brexit is breaking peace in Northern Ireland, making it the most significant event since Partition. Endless negotiations and uncertainty have brought contested identities back to the forefront of political debate. Always so much more than a line on a map, the border has become an existential marker of identity as well as a reminder of the dark days of violent conflict. Find it [here](#) and find a related interview with ABC News [here](#).

## **Demolition the Foundation of Palestinian Civil Society. Ibrahim Natil Writes in the Independent Australia**

ISRAEL'S LARGE-SCALE demolition of Palestinian houses, settlement expansions and denial of international human rights activists' visas have been taking place while claiming peace, security and normalisation with neighbours. On 30 October 2020, Michael Lynk, U.N. special rapporteur for the situation of human rights in the occupied Palestinian Territory, called on the international community to take action and move beyond condemnation to ensure accountability for Israel's human rights abuses and international law violations.

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## **Peter Emerson gives Adam Smith Lecture in Munich**

Peter discusses majority voting as a catalyst of populism: preferential decision-making for an inclusive democracy. Find a recording of the event [here](#).

## **Where Next for the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons? - Report by Hugh Miall**

The Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons entered into force on 22 January 2021. So far, the nuclear weapons states and the nuclear umbrella states have dismissed its significance, but there are signs of dissent in the chorus of rejection. In the light of these developments, the Toda Peace Institute and the Norwegian Institute of International Affairs (NUPI) convened an online meeting of experts and policymakers to discuss the way ahead for the Treaty. This policy briefs reports on that discussion which examined the role of nuclear allies, the scope for building a regime of verification measures around the TPNW, and whether the differences between TPNW supporters and nuclear weapons and umbrella states are best met by bridge building or by contentious engagement. Check it [out](#).

## **Talking Peace, Exploring Conflict - Podcast Series**

This series by the Winchester University Centre for Religion Reconciliation and Peace includes contributions by members including Hugh Miall, Oliver

Ramsbotham, and Mark Owen. [Check them out!](#)

## CRS is fifty-eight years old ... remembering some of the people

Some of them I don't need to remember because here they are right now! Thank you, [Chris Mitchell](#), for your Christmas greetings. Good to see you at the Zoom AGM, [Jim Bryant](#). When I heard that David Runciman had died, I thought of [Keith Webb](#) who used [Runciman's theory of relative deprivation](#). When I heard of the violent exchanges on the India-China border I thought of [Frank Edmead](#)'s paper on [cutting losses](#), and of [Maurice Yolles](#)' quite different mathematical model, both at [Michael Nicholson](#)'s ECPR group on [catastrophe theory](#). We have been remembering two people this past year: [Steve Wright](#) 1952-2019; and Elizabeth Rosenthal, 1927-2019: "[... but I am also a citizen of the world and try to work for peace and harmony of all mankind through education](#)". [At the end of her 4-hour interview.] All this prompted by former CRS Secretary, Steve Hills. Good to see you at the Zoom meeting, Steve.

Happy New Year everybody, from Gordon Burt!

## The Trump-Biden transition ... the abstract structure of public opinion

How polarised is America? Is there anything that Republicans and Democrats agree about? Just before the inauguration, an [ABC News / Washington Post poll](#) found some measure of agreement that the protest at the Capitol was wrong, but some measure of disagreement that Trump was to blame. [Four days into impeachment](#) in the Senate, "[Polls show majority in U.S. favor conviction](#)": [poll 1](#), [poll 2](#), [poll 3](#).

Gordon Burt's latest paper steps back from the instant reporting of survey percentages, and uses the Post poll on [The Trump-Biden transition, to reveal the abstract structure of public opinion](#).

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