




”Leaving no one behind“ No Sustainable Development without Just Peace

**Monday, October 26th, 2020, 6:00 – 8:30 p.m.
(Online by video conference)**



Worldwide lasting peace is prevented by discrimination, inequality, and injustice. Growing numbers of violent conflicts do not only affect the so-called Global South but have negative impact on the countries at the Northern hemisphere as well. The simple equation that more economic development leads to more peace is outdated for some time. With the “Agenda 2030” comprising of 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), the United Nations build 2015 a new orientation framework for peaceful progress on a global level. This integrated approach is meant to solve intertwined global problems.

In light of the ongoing weakening of UN institutions and the current crisis of multilateralism, there is a need to discuss whether the current challenges are addressed adequately in terms of innovation and integration. Focusing on conflict theaters in Sub-Saharan Africa as a showcase, we aim to elaborate during the event the role the German government as well as civil society might play in this regard in the future? What is the contribution of religious actors and the Churches active in this field? What impact will the current COVID-19 pandemic have in this context? Etc.

Referring to the ongoing project “No sustainable development without peace”, the Protestant Academies in Germany (EAD) aim to contribute and critically reflect on current debates in the field of peace, security, and sustainable development.

You are cordially invited!

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This event is part of the discourse project „No sustainable development without peace (Ohne nachhaltige Entwicklung kein Frieden) organized by the Protestant Academies in Germany (EAD) and funded by the Protestant Military Chaplaincy.

Program

5:45 p.m. Login

6:00 p.m. **Welcoming Remarks**

Uwe Trittmann, Program Director, Protestant Academy Berlin

Dr. Bernhard Felmberg, Protestant Military Bishop, Berlin

Video Statements

Ahunna Eziakonwa, Regional Director for Africa, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

Rev. Dr. Kenneth Mtata, General Secretary of the Zimbabwe Council of Churches

6:40 p.m. **No sustainable development without just peace?**

Keynotes

Markus Grübel, Federal Government Commissioner for Global Freedom of Religion, Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development, Berlin

Msgr. Prof. Dr. Obiora Ike, Executive Director, Global Ethics Centre, Geneva

Panel Discussion

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PD Dr. Christine Schliesser, Senior Lecturer in Systematic Theology and Ethics, University of Zurich

PD Dr. Jonas Wolff, Member of the Executive Board, Head of Research Department "Intrastate Conflict", Peace Research Institute Frankfurt (PRIF), Frankfurt/M.


Rev. Renke Brahms, Commissioner for Peace of the Council of the Protestant Church in Germany (EKD)

Moderation: *Dr. Thomas Müller-Färber*, Program Director, Protestant Academy Loccum

8:20 p.m. **Closing Remarks and Farewell**

Dr. habil. Klaus Holz, Secretary-General, Protestant Academies in Germany (EAD), Berlin

8:30 p.m. End

	<p><i>The Evening Event takes place in the follow-up of a closed expert conference (online) in cooperation with the Joint Conference Church and Development (GKKE). Participation to the closed event requires personal invitation (info@gkke.org).</i></p>
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