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Experts' Workshop
**Water in Post-Conflict Situations and the Role of the
Security Council**

15-16 February 2018

Faculty of Law, Lund University (Room 206)

PROGRAMME

Day I

15.00 - Registration and coffee

15.15 - Welcome note – Ulf Maunsbach, Head of department, Faculty of Law, Lund University

15.30 Scope of the Workshop - Britta Sjöstedt, Lund University; and Mara Tignino, University of Geneva/Geneva Water Hub

15.45 –The Recommendations of the Global High-Level Panel on Water and Peace
- François Münger, Geneva Water Hub

16.00 – Session 1: Armed conflict and its Impacts on Water

Moderator: Natasha Carmi, Palestinian Negotiations Support Project

Speakers:

The Control of Dams in Recent Armed Conflicts - Tobias von Lossow, Clingendael
- Netherlands Institute of International Relations

The Impact of Armed Conflict on Urban Water Services - Mark Zeitoun, University
of East Anglia

Water and Armed conflict in Mali - Mamadou Diarafa Diallo, Mali's Country
Representative, WaterAid

Commentators: Evaristo de Pinho Oliveira, International Committee of the Red Cross;
and Hassan Partow, UN Environment



Session objectives:

1. Address the attacks and control of water installations as a war strategy;
2. Assessing damage to urban water services as a consequence of protracted armed conflicts and the impact on availability of water;
3. How military operations against electrical facilities and wastewater treatment plants affect access to water? How to increase their protection and rehabilitation during and after an armed conflict? How to strengthen their resilience?
4. Discuss water pollution and ways to rehabilitate natural ecosystems.

17.15 - **Discussion**

17.30 – **Break**

17.45 – Session 2: Searching for a Legal Framework for Protecting Water in Post-Conflict

Moderator: Rosemary Rayfuse, Lund University/University of New South Wales

Speakers:

A Human Rights-based Approach to Address Water Issues in Post-Conflict -
Karen Hulme, Essex University

Environmental Justice in Post-Conflict - Phoebe Okowa, Queen Mary University of London

Initiatives within the UN system to Increase Environmental Security in relation to Armed Conflict – Doug Weir, Toxic Remnants of War Project

Commentator: Marie Jacobsson, Swedish Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Session objectives:

1. How is access to water protected under international law during the transition from armed conflict to peace?
2. Clarify the interplay between different areas of international law, i.e. international humanitarian law, human rights law, international environmental law and the UN Charter;
3. Identify gaps in the normative framework on post-conflict legal regime;
4. Assess the means for the Security Council to address lack of access to water as matter for international peace and security.

18.45 - **Discussion**

19.00 - **End of Day I**

19.30 - **Dinner (Pelarsalen, Main University Building)**



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DAY II

9.00 – Coffee

9.15 – Session 3: Water Protection and Management in Peace Processes and Peacekeeping Operations

Moderator: Karin Aggestam, Lund University

Speakers:

Governance of Natural Resources in Peace Agreements - Daniëlla Dam-de Jong, Leiden University

Water for Peace – Dealing with Competing Interests - Florian Krampe, Stockholm International Peace Research Institute

The Nexus between Climate Change, Migration and Security and its Implications for Access to Clean Water - Vally Kobi, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology (ETH, Zurich) and University of Berne

Commentators: Annica Waleij, Swedish Defence Research Agency; and Kitty van der Heijden, World Resources Institute

Session objectives:

1. Discuss the management and protection of water in peacekeeping operations and identify the main challenges;
2. Analyse the status of water in peace agreements;
3. Examine the linkages between water and migration and the challenges it may involve;
4. Discuss the role of water diplomacy to overcome disputes.

10.30 - Discussion



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11.00 – Panel discussion: Water in Peacebuilding Activities: Transforming Water from A Strategy of War to an Asset for Peace

Moderator: Cecilia Chatterjee-Martinsen, WaterAid

Panellists:

Catarina de Albuquerque, Sanitation and Water for All

Daniëlla Dam-de Jong, Leiden University

David Michel, Stockholm International Water Institute

François Münger, Geneva Water Hub

Lisa Svensson, UN Environment

Mark Zeitoun, University of East Anglia

12.30 Wrap-up: **Britta Sjöstedt**, Lund University; and **Mara Tignino**, University of Geneva/Geneva Water Hub

13.00 Reception and light lunch