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About Life & Peace Institute

The Life & Peace Institute (LPI) is an international and ecumenical centre that supports and promotes nonviolent approaches to conflict transformation through a combination of research and action that entails the strengthening of existing local capacities and enhancing the preconditions for building peace.

The Life & Peace Institute envisions a world where peace, justice and non-violent relations prevail through people's active work and commitment. We have been active towards achieving this goal since 1985.

The Life & Peace Institute works by supporting local civil society organizations in Somalia, Sudan, Kenya, Ethiopia and the Democratic Republic of Congo.

During its nearly 30 years of existence LPI has published more than 100 books and reports. Horn of Africa Bulletin and New Routes are LPI periodicals. Besides them, LPI publishes special research and conference reports as well as occasional papers.



RESEARCH REPORTS

The Horn of Africa Series

Documents diverse aspects of the work of LPI's Horn of Africa Regional Programme. The focus is on action research and community-based peacebuilding programmes.

SOMALIA: Alternatives for Conflict Transformation in Somalia

2014 [EN](#)

The report provides a snapshot of views, political positions and overall strategies of key Somali political actors during a particular period of six months since the election of the current federal government and adoption of the new provisional constitution in August and September 2012.

Civil Society and Regional Peacebuilding in the Horn of Africa: A review of present engagement and future opportunities

2014 [EN](#)

This report is a result of LPI's review of over 140 actors who had engaged in regional peacebuilding in the Horn of Africa. It contains previous and current initiatives from Djibouti, Ethiopia, Kenya and Uganda and gathers the best practices and lessons from the most prominent and active regional peacebuilding actors.

SOMALIA: Creating Space for fresh Approaches to Peacebuilding

John Paul Lederach et al.

2011 [EN](#)

A joint publication by the LPI and the Kroc Institute at Notre Dame University, USA, with seven reflections on peacebuilding in Somalia, following a series of conversations, arranged by the LPI team in Nairobi in 2011, with Professor John Paul Lederach and six PhD students at the Kroc Institute.

Community-based bottom-up peacebuilding

Thania Paffenholz

2003, 2nd ed. 2006 EN, FR

The development of the Life & Peace Institute's approach to peacebuilding and lessons learned from the Somalia experience (1990-2000).

Also available in French: Construire la paix à partir d'une communauté.

Queens without crowns

Somaliland's women's changing roles and peacebuilding

Amina Mohamoud Warsame

2002, 2nd ed. 2004 [EN](#), FR

A study that identifies and analyses the changing role of women in the rebuilding of the Republic of Somaliland after the civil war.

Also available in French: Des reines sans couronne. L'évolution du rôle des femmes du Somaliland et l'édification de la paix.



Série des Grand Lacs

Documente les aspects divers du travail de LPI dans la région des Grands Lacs. Cette perspective régionale est cruciale pour une analyse et une transformation positive des conflits.

La houe, la vache et le fusil

Justine Brabant and Jean-Louis K. Nzweve

2014 [FR](#)

Cette publication dresse le premier bilan de l'une des initiatives les plus ambitieuses prises en matière de gestion de la transhumance dans la zone : la mise en place, par le Life & Peace Institute et ses partenaires locaux, de Cadres de Concertation Intercommunautaires chargés d'appliquer des accords entre éleveurs, agriculteurs et chefs coutumiers au Sud-Kivu.

Conflits fonciers et dynamiques de cohabitation en territoire de Kalehe Sud-Kivu, Est de la RDC

2012 [FR](#)

Ce rapport est le fruit d'une Recherche Action Participative menée depuis juin 2009 par Action pour la Paix et la Concorde avec l'appui de LPI. Il aborde le rôle que jouent les mutations administratives dans l'imaginaire et les explications collectives des conflits locaux.

Au-delà des Groupes Armés: Conflits locaux et connexions sous-régionales L'exemple de Fizi et Uvira (Sud-Kivu, RDC)

2011 [FR](#)

Adepae, Arche d'Alliance, RIO et LPI présentent le rapport de recherche portant sur les conflits intercommunautaires en Territoire d'Uvira et Fizi, RD Congo. Le rapport est le produit d'une Recherche Action Participative.

Violence et insécurité à Nindja/Kaniola

Le Phénomène RASTA

Analyse réalisée par l'Union Paysanne pour le Développement Intégral en collaboration avec LPI.

2006 [FR](#)

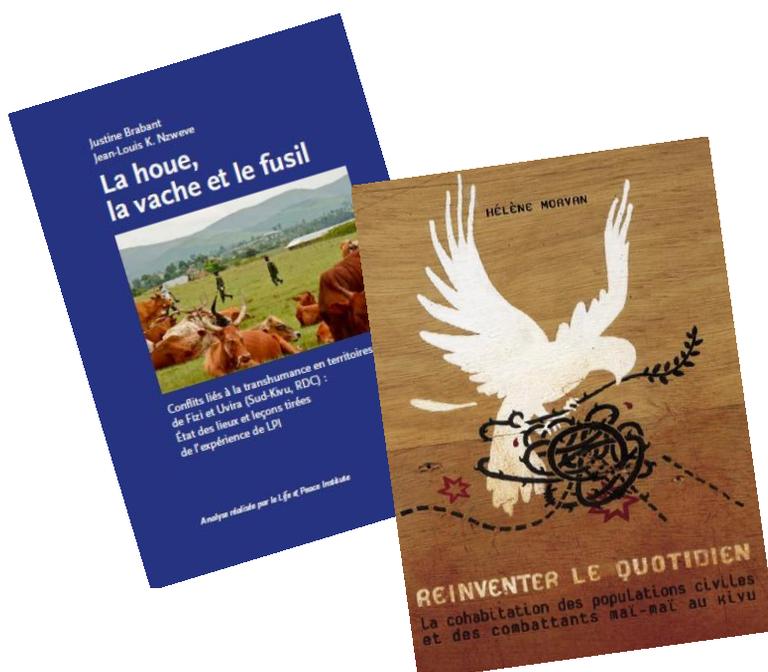
Le rapport est la première étape d'une démarche positive de transformation de conflit visant à restaurer la sécurité, le bien-être et l'espoir des communautés locales de cette entité du Sud Kivu.

Réinventer le Quotidien

Hélène Morvan

2005 [FR](#), EN

Le rapport explore les stratégies de survie développées pendant la guerre civile par la population du Sud-Kivu, République Démocratique du Congo, et se concentre en particulier sur la coexistence avec les milices Maï Maï.



Reconciliation and the Churches in the Transition to Democracy

A series of studies examining the role of churches in countries that have recently experienced a transition from totalitarian or dictatorial rule towards some form of democratic governance. The case studies are drawn from a range of countries in Africa, Central and Latin America, Eastern Europe and Asia.

Forgiving or Forgetting?

John J. Carroll, S.J. And Bernadeth Y. Pasco
1999, 2nd ed. 2005 EN

A historical account of the unfinished Philippines revolution and the role of the church. Reports about the struggle and the risks churches take in order to be agents of change and reconciliation.

Guérir les blessures d`une nation Réconciliation sur la voie de la démocratie

Walter Wink
1997, 2nd ed. 2005 FR

Le processus de transition des modes de gouvernance autoritaires vers des modes de gouvernance démocratiques est en cours dans de nombreuses régions du monde. Les Eglises sont des acteurs sociaux d'importance majeure dans de nombreux pays en transition vers la démocratie. Il leur incombe désormais de redéfinir leur rôle en vue d'aider à la transition et à la réconciliation des peuples qui ont été en conflit.

Hope in the midst of Chaos Contradictions for peace & reconciliation in Nicaragua

Philip E. Wheaton
2002, 2nd ed. 2005 EN

The author attempts to highlight the struggle and the devastation that the Nicaraguan people have faced. In the midst of chaos breeds hope that civil society can rebuild their communities and attain some semblance of peace.

Women and Nonviolence Series

Documents and analyses of the phenomenon of violence against women in war, exploring its linkages to the persistent "peacetime" violence.

Girls and Warzones: Troubling Question

Carolyn Nordström

1997, 2nd ed. 2004 EN, FR

The publication explores the question why it is so difficult to gather information about the specific experiences of girls in war and peace.

Women, Violence and Nonviolent Change

Ed. A. Gnanadason, M. Kanyoro and L.A. McSpadden

1996, 2nd ed. 2005 [EN](#)

Essays and case studies examining the specific contribution of women to conflict resolution.

Women, War and Peace

Elizabeth Ferris

1993, 2nd ed 2004 [EN](#) [FR](#)

Overview of perspectives and controversies which surround issues relating to the theme of women, war and peace.



Other Research Reports

Striving in Faith

Anne N. Kubai and Tarekegn Adebó (eds)
2008 EN

The book focuses on four case studies in Ethiopia, Nigeria, Sudan and Tanzania. As faith communities strive together, socio-political challenges are seen as challenges to their identities, most important of which is religious.

Civil Society and Peace Building in the Republic of Congo

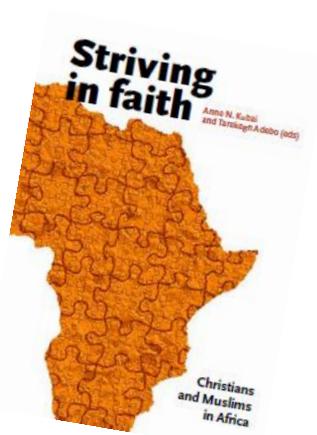
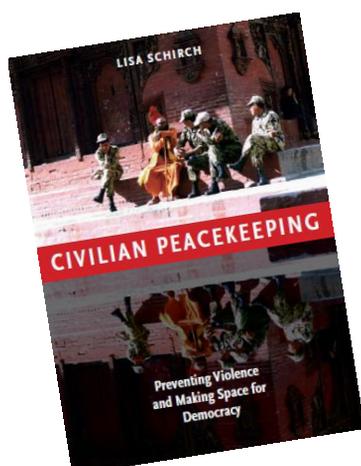
Jean Pierre Rufins Mackita, Scholastique Dianzinga, Marondon Kubu Turé
2007 EN

This report is an English synopsis by Lindsey Weber of three studies on the role of the civil society in the pursuit of peace and democracy in the Republic of Congo.

Civilian Peacekeeping

Lisa Schirch
2006 [EN](#) FR

This publication examines the activities of civilian peace teams as a contribution to the theory and practice of civilian conflict interventions.



OCCASIONAL PAPERS

A Spiritually Based Elders Council

Ephraim Isaac
2008 [EN](#)

The Spiritual connection of the elders with the grassroots population can be critical in establishing conciliatory meetings with the relevant parties. Elders can also become peaceful links to governmental and international contacts.

Divine Disputes?

Exploring the religious dimensions of armed conflicts

Isak Svensson
2008 [EN](#)

Religious violence has in recent years been at the very focal point of the contemporary peace and security debate. This paper examines the conditions under which religious dynamics influence armed conflicts.

Being Church in Post-Genocide Rwanda

Anne Kubai
2005 [EN](#)

The Church of Rwanda, which was overwhelmed by the message of hatred and death during the genocide, today faces the enormous challenge of fostering forgiveness and reconciliation.

Post-Conflict Peacebuilding and Prospects for Democracy with Reference to Africa

Tarekegn Adebo
2005 [EN](#)

The paper argues that good representative institutions offer a good chance to usher in a workable system where future violent conflicts can be averted.

Frameworks for Dialogue: Interfaith Action in Times of Conflict

Stein Villumstad

2002, 2nd ed. 2004 [EN](#)

In a number of conflicts throughout the world religion is mentioned as one of the influencing factors. This paper looks at dialogue for interfaith action in times of war in three cases: Ethiopia-Eritrea, Sierra Leone and Kosovo.

The Art of Reconciliation

Charles Villa-Vicencio

2002, 2nd ed. 2004 [EN](#)

Through his experiences of the South African context. The author explores the concept of reconciliation. The issue of justice as an inseparable component of reconciliation is also reflected in the paper.

Imagining the Next 100 Years of War

Carolyn Nordström

1998, 2nd 2004 [EN](#) [FR](#)

The prognosis for the next 100 years is not bright, says the author. But culture can be radically reconstituted through the radical imaginary.

Post-Conflict Programming

John Prendergast

1997, 2nd ed. 2004 [EN](#)

There are numerous terms describing post-war conditions and objectives. In this paper the concepts psycho-social, peacebuilding and reconciliation are specially addressed.



OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Signing up for Peace

2014 [EN](#)

This brochure offers glimpses of hope based on LPI's work in the Horn of Africa and Great Lakes region. Meet staff, local partners and communities who have seen things change. Nonviolent conflict transformation is more than a dream in Eastern DRC. Sustained dialogue works among students in Ethiopia and Sudan. Work in Somalia takes place across clans...

Sudan: North in the Shadow of the South

Valter Vilkkko (ed)

2012 [EN](#)

Report from four seminars on the conflicts in Sudan, held in Spring 2012 in Uppsala and Stockholm, Sweden. The seminars were jointly organized by the LPI and the Nordic Africa Institute.

Publications for Peace Education

Five regional seminars in Africa and the Middle East

2008 [EN](#)

As part of the follow-up process of the PPE project a series of seminars was arranged. Their thematic, scientific and practical contents were based in the regional context of each seminar.

Tools for Peace – The Role of Religion in Conflict

2005 [EN](#)

Report from an international inter-religious peace conference.

Child Soldiers – Rehabilitation and Social Reintegration in Liberia

Teferi Sendabo

2004 EN

Seeks to answer the questions why children participate in war and what methods can be used in the rehabilitation and social reintegration process.

PERIODICALS

New Routes

[New Routes](#) is a quarterly journal offering analysis and commentary on issues of peace, justice and development as they relate to LPI concerns and programme areas. It includes information about current LPI activities, projects and publications.

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Horn of Africa Bulletin

Horn of Africa Bulletin ([HAB](#)) is a bi-monthly newsletter compiling analyses, news and resources on issues related to conflict and peacebuilding in the Horn of Africa region.

HAB consists of three parts: In part one, articles are supposed to provide readers with analyses of current or general developments. Secondly, HAB compiles various news items by using a network of sources and communicators from the region itself as well as Europe and America. Thirdly, resources – such as recently published reports and books – for the countries of the region are collected.

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