

BOLOGNA PEACEBUILDING FORUM 2021

Peacebuilding and Climate Change

18-19 MAY 2021
15:00-17:00 CEST

Zoom Platform

Working language: English

The two-day event, organised by the Agency for Peacebuilding (AP) in collaboration with the Johns Hopkins University SAIS in Bologna and the New-Med Research Network run by the Istituto Affari Internazionali (IAI), will include international experts and practitioners and result in a final publication containing research findings from the Forum.

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AGENDA

DAY 1

15:00-16:00 **Session 1 - Climate, Conflicts and Peacebuilding**

Guiding question: How does climate change affect both the causes and evolution of armed conflicts and what are the implications for peacebuilding?

Panelists **FARAH HEGAZI**, Stockholm International Peace Research Institute

OLI BROWN, Royal Institute of International Affairs

AYAN MAHAMOUD, Intergovernmental Authority on Development

Moderator **BERNARDO MONZANI**, Agency for Peacebuilding

16:00-17:00 **Session 2 - Environmental Peacebuilding**

Guiding questions: What opportunities do climate change and related environmental issues offer for enhancing the prospects of a durable peace?

Panelists **JULIE RAASTEN**, European Institute for Peace

MARIKO PETERS, European External Action Service

OLIVIA LAZARD, Carnegie Europe

Moderator **GIULIA CAROLI**, Consortium of International Agricultural Research Centres-CGIAR

Final Remarks: **BERNARDO VENTURI**, Agency for Peacebuilding

DAY 2

15:00-16:00 **Session 1 - Environmental Security and Climate Change in the Mediterranean**

Guiding questions: How is climate change impacting armed conflicts and peace processes in the Mediterranean region? What is the state of play of international climate diplomacy and multilateral efforts to address the relationship between climate change and security in the Mediterranean? What lessons can be drawn for or from other regions?

Keynote Speech **GRAMMENOS MASTROJENI**, Union for the Mediterranean

Speaker (paper-giver) **JÜRGEN SCHEFFRAN**, University of Hamburg

Discussant **MARWA DAOUDY**, Georgetown University School of Foreign Service and Center for Contemporary Arab Studies

Moderator **EMILIANO ALESSANDRI**, OSCE Secretariat

16:00-17:00 **Session 2 - Food (in)Security and Climate Change in the Mediterranean**

Guiding questions: How will climate change and the climate-food nexus affect conflicts in the wider Mediterranean region and what mitigating strategies can be put in place to better manage implications in the socio-economic, political and environmental domains?

Speaker **YARA M. ASI**, University of Central Florida & Arab Centre Washington DC
(paper-giver)

Discussant **RUTH HANAU SANTINI**, University of Naples "L'Orientale" and World Food Programme

Moderator **ANDREA DESSI**, Istituto Affari Internazionali

Final Remarks: **ANDREA DESSI**, Istituto Affari Internazionali

