



AP R2P

Asia Pacific Centre for the Responsibility to Protect

The Centre had a very active start to 2014, launching a new Masters course on R2P and completing a Mid-Term Report to the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, prior to [Professor Tim Dunne](#) leaving to take up an appointment on 3 March 2014 as Executive Dean of the new Humanities and Social Sciences Faculty at The University of Queensland. The tremendous contributions Tim made to the Centre and to the School of Political Science as Director of Research and Professor of International Relations were acknowledged in several formal and informal events, and the Centre congratulates Tim and wishes him the very best in his new role. [Professor Alex Bellamy](#) has expanded his role as Director (International) of AP R2P to take on leadership of the Centre in this transitional period while a replacement for the Research Director of AP R2P is sought. The Centre has also been fortunate to have [Dr Phil Orchard](#) join the AP R2P Management team, to take over from Tim as Program Leader and Senior Researcher for the Doctrine, Concepts and Inter-Agency Coordination Research Program. Tim Dunne remains closely engaged with the Centre's research and activities.

Publications

We are very pleased to announce some new publications:

Centre Researchers [Noel Morada](#) and [Charles Hunt](#) have each contributed chapters to an edited volume, [Africa and the Responsibility to Protect: Article 4\(h\) of the African Union Constitutive Act](#), published in 2014 by Routledge. Noel Morada's chapter is on 'Ensuring responsibility while implementing under Article 4(h) intervention', and Charles Hunt's chapter is on 'The role of African standby forces in implementing Article 4(h)'.

[Alex Bellamy](#), AP R2P Director (International) published an article entitled '[From Tripoli to Damascus: Lesson Learning and the Implementation of the Responsibility to Protect](#)', in the British journal *International Politics* (Vol. 51 (1) 2014) and a second article on '[The Other Asian Miracle? The Ending of Mass](#)

Welcome

The Centre welcomes [Phil Orchard](#), as Program Leader and Senior Researcher for the Doctrine, Concepts and Inter-Agency Coordination Workstream.

[Atrocities in East Asia](#) in Australian-based journal, *Global Change, Peace and Security*, 26 (1) 2014.

Centre researchers [Sara E. Davies](#), Kimberly Nackers and [Sarah Teitt](#) published an article entitled ['Women, Peace and Security as an ASEAN Priority'](#) in a Special Issue of the *Australian Journal of International Affairs* on 'Australia on the UN Security Council: Progressing the Women, Peace and Security Agenda', Vol.68, Issue 3, 2014.

[Sarah Teitt](#), AP R2P Deputy Director, also published a chapter on 'China and the International Human Rights Regime' in [The Globalization of World Politics: Case Studies from Australia, New Zealand and the Asia Pacific \(3rd ed.\)](#)

Centre Researcher [Phil Orchard](#) has published an article entitled ["Revisiting Safe Areas for Civilian Protection"](#) in *Global Governance*.

The Centre's [R2P Ideas in Brief](#) series continues with two new issues. Charles Hawksley and Nichole Georgeou examine the implementation of the Regional Assistance Mission to Solomon Islands (RAMSI) as a case study in operationalizing Pillar II of R2P in their policy brief ['RtoP's Second Pillar: the Responsibility to Assist in Theory and Practice in Solomon Islands'](#). During his recent visit to the Centre, [Kurt Mills](#) published a policy brief entitled ['R2P and the International Criminal Court: Complementary or Conflicting?'](#) which looks at recent cases to examine the positive and negative interactions between use of the R2P doctrine and the ICC, concluding with recommendations on how the international community can make use of R2P and the ICC in more complementary ways.

The Centre published several new Spotlight articles, including [Noel Morada's](#) report on the [First Meeting of the Global Action Against Mass Atrocity Crimes](#)



(GAAMAC) held in San Jose, Costa Rica on 4-6 March 2014; [Tim Dunne's](#) paper ['The Solution in their Hands? Syria and the Security Council'](#); and Noel Morada's report on an [R2P Seminar for ASEAN Parliamentarians held in Bangkok 28-29 March 2014](#).

[Protection Gateway](#) is the blog of the [Asia Pacific Centre for the Responsibility to Protect](#). It is intended to introduce readers to current debates and thinking on human protection and to encourage dialogue on these issues. Protection Gateway aims to provide governments, international organizations, civil society groups and the research community with new knowledge to inform policy concerning the prevention of human protection crises and protection of vulnerable populations. This includes human protection in the face of humanitarian emergencies, including man-made and natural disasters. All views expressed in the Protection Gateway are those of the individual authors. For those who would like to contribute to Protection Gateway (pieces accepted from 500-800 words length), contact Sara Davies (se.davies@gut.edu.au) or Alex Bellamy (a.bellamy@griffith.edu.au). To follow [Protection Gateway](#), click on 'Follow' under 'Follow Blog via Email' on the top right hand column on the homepage.



Phil's research will focus on the role of the UN Security Council in averting atrocities. He will also be exploring the link between mass atrocities and forced displacement. Phil is an internationally recognized expert on the protection of Internally Displaced Persons and before coming to UQ worked in the UN's Office of the Special Adviser on the Prevention of Genocide, Francis Deng. Welcome, [Phil!](#)

Forthcoming Events

Seminar by Dr Jeni Whalan 22 May at 3:00pm ['How Peace Operations Work: Analysing Local Legitimacy'](#).

[UNAA Emerging Scholars Program Seminar 1](#), 28 May 2014

Noel Morada on Panel "Promoting Rule of Law in Conflict Affected States" at 'Strengthening Rules-based Order in the Asia Pacific Symposium, Canberra, 2 June 2014

Alex Bellamy Keynote speaker on 'R2P and International Law' at [International Relations Conference, Brazil](#), 4 June.

Noel Morada conducting AP R2P Workshop on 'The Role of Parliamentarians and Civil Society in Advancing R2P in Indonesia', Bogor, Indonesia 5-6 June

Sarah Teitt participating in [Global Summit to End Sexual Violence in Conflict](#), London, 10-13 June

Recent blogs by Centre researchers include: [Phil Orchard's](#) piece 'Syrian aid resolution a step forward by the UN' published in *The Conversation* and [The Trouble With Air Strikes](#) published in *Protection Gateway*; and [Sara Davies](#), [Kim Nackers](#) and [Sarah Teitt's](#) blog '[2014 – The Year of Women, Peace and Security for ASEAN](#)' published by the Women, Peace and Security Academic Women's Collective.

For a full listing of all the Centre's publications, policy briefings, speeches, interviews and news items, please visit the Centres' [Publications](#) and [In the Media](#) webpages.

Event Highlights

On 11 March 2014, Sara Davies, Sarah Teitt and Nicole George participated in a Women, Peace and Security Panel discussion at the Australian Institute of International Affairs, Brisbane.

Noel Morada, Sarah Teitt and Melissa Curley participated in a Roundtable on 'Security in the Asia Pacific' at the School of Political Science and International Studies on 17 March 2014.

Noel Morada participated in a two day Seminar in Bangkok on 27-28 March 2014 held by the UN Office of the Special Advisor on Genocide Prevention and the ASEAN Parliamentarians for Human Rights. The seminar focused on [The Role of parliamentarians in Prevention of Mass Atrocities in the ASEAN region](#).



Tim Dunne, Sara Davies, Phil Orchard and Charles Hunt attended the International Studies Association Annual Convention in Toronto 26-29 March 2014. Tim Dunne presented a Conference paper '[The Solution in Their Hands? Syria and the Security Council](#)'. Sara Davies delivered papers on 'Disease Diplomacy Across All Spaces' (with Simon Rushton) and 'Internet surveillance as a security blanket? Reporting on disease outbreaks'. Sara Davies is also on the Executive Committee of the new ISA Global Health Studies Section. Phil Orchard presented an ISA Conference paper 'The Contested Origins of Internal Displacement' and two workshop papers, the first on '(Re)defining Refugees – Shaping Normative Spaces and Practice' in a workshop on 'Norm Evolution, Norm Death, or Norm Change: Why do Norms Lose Influence, and how does it Matter?' and the second on 'Humanitarian Action and Regime Complexity' in a workshop on '[Transnational Actors in War and Peace](#)'. Charles Hunt participated in a pre-ISA workshop where he presented a paper analysing the factors driving participation of rising powers such as India, Brazil and South Africa in discourse and practice relating to R2P. The paper was entitled: 'The Drivers and Direction of Changes in Emerging Powers' Normative Behaviour: The Case of the Responsibility to Protect in Complex International Society.' He was also on a panel focused on the relationships between state and non-state sources of security and justice, presenting a paper entitled: 'Predatory, Parasitic or Symbiotic Relations? Revealing relationships between state and non-state providers of security and justice in West Africa'.

AP R2P Research Interactive Seminar, with presentations by PhD students Eglantine Raux, Nicole Jenne and Andrea Warnecke, 17 June 2014.

Visitors

The Centre has been very happy to host [Dr Kurt Mills](#) as a Visiting Research Fellow from 11 March to 9 May 2014. Kurt is Senior Lecturer in International Human Rights at the University of Glasgow. While at the AP R2P Centre he is researching the relationship between the responsibility to protect and the International Criminal Court and is also developing a new project on the human rights foreign policies of middle and emerging powers.

The Centre has also welcomed two Visiting PhD students from the European University Institute, Nicole Jenne and Andrea Warnecke. Nicole is researching processes of state formation and their impact on the management of territorial disputes in SE Asia and South America, and Andrea's PhD research topic is 'Rendering violent conflict manageable? Explaining the emergence of peacebuilding as a depoliticized practice'.

Congratulations

The Centre would like to warmly acknowledge and congratulate several past Presidents of the [R2P Student Coalition](#) on some significant recent accomplishments:

[Catherine Drummond](#) help coach the UQ Team from the TC Beirne School of Law, who won the 2014 Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition in Washington DC, USA;

[Claire Maizonnier](#) was awarded the 2014 Women's International League for Peace and Freedom Peacemakers Award at a ceremony in Brisbane on 2 May 2014.

[Dominique Fraser](#) has successfully completed an Internship at the Global Centre for R2P. Congratulations, Catherine, Claire and Dominique!

Students interested in learning more about R2P and prevention of atrocities are encouraged to get

[The R2P Student Coalition](#) launched their 2014 Advocacy campaign on Women Peace and Security on 3 April 2014. For further information or to become involved with this dynamic group see their [website](#).

Sara E. Davies and Jacqui True presented a seminar on 24 April 2014 on '[Preventing Conflict-related Sexual and Gender-based Violence with Early Warning Analysis](#)' (listen to [podcast](#)).

Phil Orchard and Alex Bellamy participated in a roundtable discussion on the Responsibility to Protect and post-conflict rebuilding on 26 April, held as part of the 'BRIZMUN' Model UN event.

Education and Training Highlights

New Masters course

The Centre commenced delivery of an intensive Masters course on '[The Responsibility to Protect in Global Politics](#)' (POL57218) in Semester 1 at UQ. The course is coordinated by Noel Morada, and includes 6 intensive days with R2P topics presented by Tim Dunne, Alex Bellamy, Noel Morada, Heather Rae, Sarah Teitt, Charles Hunt, Sara Davies, Nicole George and Phil Orchard.

Diplomacy Training

Centre Lecturer/Research Fellow Dr Charles Hunt was joined by former Australian High Commissioner to South Africa, Ms. Ann Harrap, along with partners at the University of Pretoria to facilitate [two training programs for African diplomats sponsored by DFAT](#): 1) Advanced Alumni Diplomacy Training course on 3-14 February 2014; and 2) Graduate Certificate Preparation Course – 17-28 February 2014. The programs aimed to further strengthen the skills, knowledge and networks of delegates from Nigeria, Cameroon, Liberia, The Gambia, Sierra Leone, Zambia, Mozambique, Morocco, Swaziland, Egypt, Ghana and Uganda. The courses focused on the role of diplomats in multilateralism, international and regional organisations, conflict prevention and development, including a focus on the women, peace and security agenda. In addition, ten of these delegates have now enrolled in the Graduate Certificate of International Studies (Diplomacy) overseen by Dr Hunt.

In early March, Dr Charles Hunt undertook a post-course evaluation visit to alumni of the Australia Awards International Diplomacy Africa Fellowships at the Ministries of Foreign Affairs in Tanzania (Zanzibar and Dar es Salaam) and Kenya, also meeting with DFAT officials in Nairobi and visiting with former course participants and their superiors at the East African Community headquarters in Arusha, Tanzania.

Internships

The Centre is pleased to be hosting four Interns in Semester 1, 2014 including Allison McClelland, Thomas Rittson, Natalie Finlay and Dyonne Pennings. Under supervision by Dr Noel Morada, Allison is working on 'R2P and the Rohingya Issue: Mapping the Domestic, Regional, and International Responses to the Buddhist-Muslim Conflict in Myanmar'. Under Dr Heather Rae's supervision, Thomas is researching 'The Meaning of Responsibility in the Responsibility to Protect'. Natalie is working with Dr Charles Hunt on the role of the Responsibility to Protect in framing the international response to the 2011 post-election crisis in Cote d'Ivoire and how this related to other UN conflict management responses such as peacekeeping. Dyonne Pennings is working with Dr Heather Rae on international protection of Internally Displaced Persons.

Applications for Internships during Semester 2 are now being accepted and will close on 30 June 2014. See our [website](#) for further details.

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