

# AP R2P Newsletter May-Aug 2014

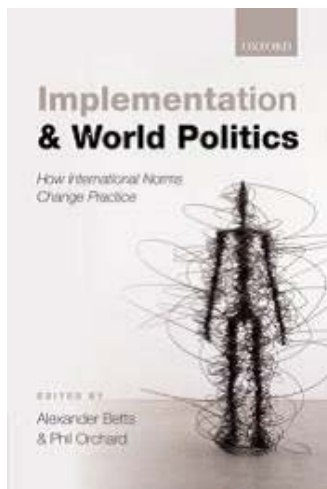


Asia Pacific Centre for the Responsibility to Protect

The Centre is delighted to welcome [Professor Alex Bellamy](#) back to the University of Queensland, to take on the role as Director of APR2P. In one sense, Alex never left the Centre. It was his leadership that led to the inauguration of the Centre in 2008 and the signing of the first Agreement between the University of Queensland and AusAID in 2009. During the years when he has been at neighbouring Griffith University, Prof Bellamy continued to be involved in many aspects of the Centre's work by providing strategic advice, supervising PhDs, and leading a research program that has led to an impressive list of publications. Prof Bellamy is one of the international leading scholars in the field of international security, and the Centre is honoured to have his leadership.

The last four months have been a productive and intense period at the Centre, as the Centre continued to welcome visiting scholars, build stronger ties with partners in DFAT, maintain an active research profile, and prepare a major conference that will take place in Phnom Penh in February 2015 to mark the 10th Anniversary of the adoption of the Responsibility to Protect at the 2005 World Summit.

## Latest Centre Research



International Relations scholarship often examines the role of international norms in world politics by studying how norms emerge, are agreed and ratified by governments around the world. In conventional accounts, the story ends there. But how do international norms change and adapt at implementation? Which actors and structures matter for shaping whether implementation actually takes place, and on whose terms? [Implementation and World Politics: How International Norms Change Practice](#), a book edited by [Phil Orchard](#) and Alexander Betts explores treaty norms, principle norms, and policy norms across policy fields that include refugees, internal displacement, crimes against humanity, the use of mercenaries, humanitarian assistance, aid transparency, civilian protection, and the responsibility to protect. The book

## Welcome to new staff

Carolina Caliaba Crespo has been appointed to share the role of Centre Manager with Anna Nolan starting in August. Carolina has previously managed a team of editors for LexisNexis Capital Monitor in the Press Gallery, Parliament House, Canberra. Anna will be working Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursday mornings and Carolina will be working Wednesday, Thursday afternoons and Fridays. Welcome, Carolina!

## Visitors

was launched on 22 August by Alex Bellamy, Chris Reus-Smit, and Kath Gelber.

In *UN Peace Operations and International Policing. Negotiating Complexity,*

*Assessing Impact and Learning to Learn*, [Charles T. Hunt](#) examines varied approaches to monitoring and evaluating the effects of peace operations, with particular emphasis on UNPOL. This monograph develops a framework, tested through field research in Liberia, for Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) that enables effective impact assessment. By enhancing the relationship between field-level M&E and organisational learning this research contributes to the pursuit of more professional and effective UN peace operations. This book will be launched on Wednesday 1 October in the Terrace Room, Sir Llew Edwards Building no.14, 4:30-5:30pm.

The Centre's *R2P Ideas in Brief* series has published four new issues:

- Sarah Teitt [ASEAN and the Prevention of Sexual Violence in Conflict and Humanitarian Situations](#) Vol 4. No 6 (2014) - to be uploaded and linked on Monday
- Noel M. Morada [International Assistance and the Responsibility to Protect in Southeast Asia](#) Vol 4. No. 5 (2014)
- Phil Orchard [Reconsidering Safe Areas as a Means to Protect Civilians](#) Vol.4 No.4 (2014)
- Garima Mohan [India and the Responsibility to Protect](#) Vol.4 No.3 (2014)

Other publications of note from Centre staff:

- Alex Bellamy, 'The Responsibility to Protect and Regime Change', in Don Scheid (ed.), *Armed Humanitarian Intervention: Ideas and Reconsiderations* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2014).
- Alex Bellamy, 'Humanitarian Intervention' in Darrel Moellendorf and Heather Widdows (eds.), *Handbook of Global Ethics* (London: Acumen Press, 2014).
- Alex Bellamy, 'Responsibility to Protect: Opening Humanitarian Spaces', in Michele Acuto *Negotiating Relief: The Dialectics of Humanitarian Space* (London: C. Hurst & Co., 2014).
- Alex Bellamy and Paul D. Williams, 'The UN Security Council and Peace Operations', in Thomas G. Weiss and Rorden Wilkinson (eds.), *Global Governance* (London: Routledge, 2014).
- Noel M. Morada, 'The Responsibility to Protect: Why This Evolving Norm Matters and Is Here to Stay', Douthett Lettinga and Lars van Troost (eds.), *Debating The Endtimes of Human Rights: Activism and Institutions in a Neo-Westphalian World*. Amsterdam: AmnestyInternational (July 2014), pp. 77-84.

For a full listing of all the Centre's publications, policy briefings, speeches, interviews and news items, please visit the Centres' Publications, Spotlight on R2P and In the Media webpages.

The Centre for R2P has the privilege of hosting [Dr Liu Tiewa](#) as a Visiting Research Fellow from Beijing Foreign Studies University. Dr Tiewa is in Brisbane for a semester-long stay finishing 31 December 2014

The Centre is also delighted to be hosting a year-long visit by [Professor Jason Ralph](#) from the University of Leeds commencing 1 September 2014.

## Congratulations

Dr Charles Hunt from the School of Political Science and International Studies and the Asia Pacific Centre for the Responsibility to Protect has received a commendation in the UQ Internationalisation Awards for 2014 for his work in delivering training courses to African diplomats. [Read more >](#)

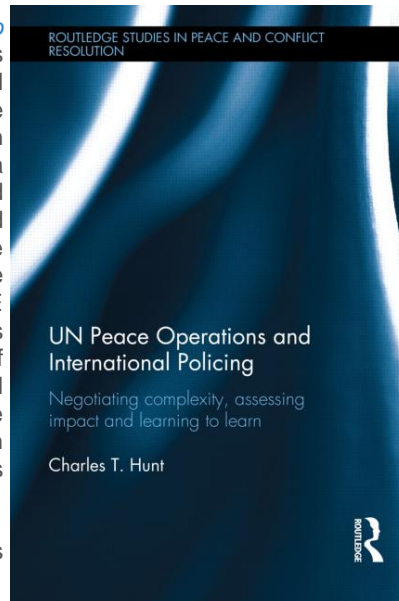
## Upcoming Events

**Launch of *Mainstreaming the Responsibility to Protect In Southeast Asia: Pathway Towards a Caring ASEAN Community***, the report from the High-Level Advisory Panel on the Responsibility to Protect in Southeast Asia. Co-hosted by the United Nations Office on Genocide Prevention and R2P and the Permanent Mission of Indonesia to the United Nations. The Launch will be held at Dag Hammarskjold Auditorium, UN Headquarters, New York, 9 September 2014. [Full report text >](#)

### Why Atrocity Prevention Fails

A workshop co-hosted by the AP R2P Centre and the International Peace Institute in New York on 9 September. Moderated by Alex Bellamy, the speakers include Dr Jennifer Welsh, David Haeri (DPKO), Simon Adams (GCR2P).

**Panel on Sri Lanka and Office of the UN High Commissioner on Human Rights Investigation** co-hosted with the [R2P Student Coalition](#) on 16 October 6:30-8:30pm. This panel will discuss the background events that led to the Human Rights Council vote to conduct a war crimes inquiry into the Sri Lankan civil war, the implications of this inquiry, its findings and the process of peacebuilding in Sri Lanka. Venue: Auditorium, Level 2, Sir Llew



## Recent Centre Events

In the four months since the last update, Centre researchers have participated in several high-level events in Australia and around the world. The Centre has also hosted several seminars by visiting scholars.

### ASEAN and Prevention of Violence Against Women in Conflict – Jakarta Workshop

This one-day workshop held on 20 August provided an opportunity for regional dialogue to identify ways of deepening action to prevent sexual violence in armed conflict and humanitarian disaster situations with the Women, Peace and Security agenda. [Sara E. Davies](#), Program Leader of the Prevention of Genocide and Mass Atrocities Program at APR2P, co-ordinated the workshop which was attended by 48 leaders from the government sector, NGOs and international organisations from Cambodia, Indonesia, Brunei, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Indonesia, Thailand, Singapore, Viet Nam and Australia. APR2P Deputy Director [Sarah Teitt](#) and Centre Researcher Kim Nackers also participated. [Read more >](#)



*Group Interactive session at Jakarta Workshop 20 August 2014*

Edwards Building no.14, UQ, St Lucia.

### Panel on protecting Myanmar's Rohingya people:

Save the date: 21 November at UQ St Lucia campus. Venue details TBA

### The Responsibility to Protect at 10

The Centre will host a major conference in Phnom Penh, Cambodia, on 26-27 February 2015, to mark the 10th Anniversary of the adoption of the Responsibility to Protect at the 2005 World Summit. The Centre is organising this event in partnership with the Global Centre for the Responsibility to Protect, the Cambodian Institute for Cooperation and Peace and the International Coalition for R2P.

A high-level segment featuring speeches by ministerial level leaders from the Asia Pacific region and elsewhere will be followed by a working level segment focused on specific policy questions relating to the implementation of R2P at a national level. This conference will be attended by ministerial level leaders and senior UN officials, Responsibility to Protect Focal Points, diplomats and officials from the Asia Pacific region, eminent experts, and prominent civil society representatives. [Read more >](#)

### Call for Papers - International Feminist Journal of Politics 4th Annual Conference 18-19 June 2015

The Conference will be on the theme: "The Difference that Gender Makes to International Peace and Security". The School of Political Science and International Studies, University of Queensland will be hosting the 4th annual Conference of the International Feminist Journal of Politics on 18-19 June 2015, and the APR2P Centre will host a Workshop on 17 June. [Read more >](#)

### Join the conversation about R2P

Sign up to receive updates from [Protection Gateway](#), the blog of the Asia Pacific Centre for the Responsibility to Protect. Protection Gateway provides governments, international organisations, civil society groups and the research community with new knowledge to inform policy concerning the prevention of human protection crises

## The BRICS and R2P: contestation, re-interpretation and norm entrepreneurship

QUT Lecturer Andrew Garwood-Gowers gave a seminar on 21 August examining the lesser-known, semi-official Chinese idea of 'Responsible Protection' (RP), which proposes decision-making criteria and accountability mechanisms for UN-authorized military intervention under R2P's third pillar. Though RP draws heavily on previous R2P proposals such as the original 2001 ICISS report and Brazil's RwP, by amalgamating and re-packaging these earlier ideas in a more restrictive form the Chinese initiative represents a new and distinctive interpretation of R2P. China's RP and Brazil's RwP initiatives point to the growing willingness of rising, non-Western powers to articulate and promote their own normative preferences on sovereignty, intervention and global governance.

## Boko Haram and the Challenge of Security in Africa

This panel discussion on the ongoing crisis created by the Boko Haram rebel group in Nigeria was held on 12 August, and included speakers [Tim Dunne](#), [Nicole George](#), Joseph Hongoh, [Charles Hunt](#), and Wisdom Iyekekpolo, who discussed Nigeria's domestic response to the crisis, compared Boko Haram with other rebel groups in Africa such as Al Shabaab, the regional security dimensions, and the broader implications for the Women, Peace, and Security Agenda. The event was co-hosted by the Centre, the R2P Student Coalition, and the UQ School of Political Science and International Studies. A [podcast of the event](#) is available for download

## Public Seminars on ASEAN and R2P in Phnom Penh, Cambodia

[Noel M. Morada](#), Director of the Centre's Regional Diplomacy and Capacity Building program delivered two public lectures in Phnom Penh, Cambodia on 6 and 8 August, focusing on the role that Cambodia can play in promoting R2P in ASEAN. The first seminar was organized by the Cambodia Institute for Cooperation and Peace (CICP), and was attended by representatives from ASEAN, Australia, and European diplomatic missions, government officials, think tank researchers, and university students. The second seminar on the same topic was organized by the Department of International Studies, Institute for Foreign Languages, of the Royal University of Phnom Penh in cooperation with Pannassastra University of Cambodia, where some 60 students participated in the interactive workshop. These seminars were conducted as part of the Centre's efforts to support its Cambodian partners in building awareness and constituencies around the Responsibility to Protect concept.

## R2P staff presentations at Oceanic Conference on International Studies (OCIS) July 2014

- [Phil Orchard](#) presented a paper entitled 'Vanishing Point: UN Policy Debates and the Emerging Gap between Human Security and the R2P doctrine.'
- [Charles Hunt](#) presented a paper entitled 'All Necessary Means to Protect Civilians: the Co-evolution of R2P and Civilian Protection in UN Peace Operations.'
- Phil Orchard presented on the topic of 'Protection of Internally Displaced Persons and Regime Complexity: the Growth of a New regime within Contested Space.'
- [Sara Davies](#) gave a paper on the subject of 'Preventative Migration and UNHCR.'
- Sara Davies and Jacqui True's presented the findings of their research into 'Preventing Conflict-related Sexual and Gender-based Violence with Early Warning Analysis.'
- Charles Hunt discussed his research under the title 'Predatory, Parasitic or Symbiotic Relations? Revealing relationships between state and non-state providers of security and justice in West Africa.'
- [Tim Dunne](#), [Phil Orchard](#), and [Luke Glanville](#) participated with Gareth Evans in a Roundtable on 'The Responsibility to Protect at Ten.'

and protection of vulnerable populations. Submissions accepted for short pieces (500-800 words length). Please contact Sara Davies ([se.davies@qut.edu.au](mailto:se.davies@qut.edu.au)) or Alex Bellamy ([a.bellamy@uq.edu.au](mailto:a.bellamy@uq.edu.au)).

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## Centre contribution to the Global Summit to End Sexual Violence in Conflict

[Sarah Teitt](#) represented the Centre at the Australian Dialogue on Preventing Sexual Violence in Conflict in Canberra on 2 June, and at the Global Summit to End Sexual Violence in Conflict in London on 10-13 June. [Sara Davies](#) and [Jacqui True](#) contributed to the conversation surrounding the Global Summit in [Dispelling 5 Myths about Sexual Violence in Conflict: How can we do better with data on Asia Pacific?](#) The piece compares myths debunked in London against the data they have been collecting on Philippines, Myanmar and Sri Lanka. [Read more >](#)



## Preventing Mass Atrocities: The Role of Parliamentarians and Civil Society Groups in Indonesia

The Centre, in partnership with the Human Rights Working Group of Indonesia, organised a two-day seminar on mass atrocities prevention at Novotel Bogor on 5-6 June 2014. [Noel M. Morada](#) delivered lectures on R2P and the importance of mass atrocities prevention, and helped facilitate the discussions among participants.

The meeting focused on the role of parliamentarians and civil society groups in promoting the Responsibility to Protect (R2P) principle by identifying current issues, opportunities, and challenges in preventing mass atrocity crimes in Indonesia. The 15 participants in the seminar came from government, human rights organisations, legislative staff, the national human rights commission, think tanks, and NGOs working in peace and conflict. Participants were provided with copies of the R2P Toolkit and the Inter-Parliamentary Union's (IPU) resolution on R2P, which were translated into Bahasa Indonesia. [Read More >](#)

## The Responsibility to Protect and International Law

Keynote speech by [Alex Bellamy](#) at Eleri Univali Conference, Santa Catarina, Brazil, 4 June 2014. [Read more >](#)

## UN Association of Australia Emerging Scholars Seminars

Organised by the UN Association of Australia in association with the APR2P Centre, the Queensland Emerging Scholars Program provided a space for interested students to discuss and debate ideas and challenges in their current research with senior UN academics, practitioners and representatives of relevant government agencies. Two sessions have been held in May and August 2014.

## How Peace Operations Work: Analysing Local Legitimacy

UNSW Lecturer Jeni Whalan presented the findings from her recent book [How Peace Operations Work](#) in a seminar held on 22 May at the University of Queensland. Dr Whalan focuses on the significance of local support for the success of peace operations, and discussed practical policy recommendations to make peace operations both more legitimate and more effective.

## What Happens When We Respond to Mass Atrocities? Insights from Africa

Senior Lecturer in International Human Rights at the University of Glasgow, [Dr Kurt Mills](#), visited the Centre for R2P between March and May this year to continue his research into the relationship between the responsibility to protect and the International Criminal Court. In a seminar co-hosted by the Centre for R2P and the UQ School of Political Science and International Studies on 9 May, Dr Mills discussed the perplexing conundrums and unintended consequences evident in the implementation of the three sets of norms used to deal with situations of mass atrocities (humanitarianism, international criminal justice, and the use of military force) in sub-Saharan Africa.

## Education and Training Highlights

### International Diplomacy – A professional training course for African diplomats

R2P Centre Researcher Dr Charles Hunt led 28 mid-career diplomats from across Africa in a trip to Canberra this August to meet with counterparts in the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT). This trip is part of a professional training course funded by the Australian government under the Australia Awards fellowship scheme. The 5-week program is a partnership between the Centre, UQ International Development, and the University of Pretoria. The course addresses the theory and practice of diplomacy in a globalising world, and includes modules on diplomatic rules and resources, the international system, new security challenges, development and conflict mediation.



*International Diplomacy students with staff from the School of Political Science and International Studies, UQ, August 2014*

### New Undergraduate Course in Human Security and R2P

Phil Orchard is also teaching a new course in Semester 2, 2014, in Human Security and the Responsibility to Protect at the 2<sup>nd</sup> year undergraduate level. The course examines how the two concepts have changed international security in the past two decades, and includes an intensive simulation examining the UN Security Council's response to a fictional mass atrocities situation.

As always we appreciate your feedback about the newsletter and input on what you would like to see included. Please contact Anna Nolan or Carolina Caliaba Crespo ([r2pinfo@uq.edu.au](mailto:r2pinfo@uq.edu.au)) with your suggestions.

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