



Asia Pacific Centre for the Responsibility to Protect

The Centre commenced 2013 with the launch of its re-designed website. We hope you find the design and functionality of the new website much improved. Of particular mention is our [Resource Hub page](#) which includes a library of resources on R2P. We value your feedback and would welcome suggestions on ways in which we could further improve the website.

The Australian [R2P Fund Research in Focus booklet](#) was published in December 2012 and is available to download from the website. The booklet follows on from the first [R2P Fund booklet](#) which was published mid-way through the life of the projects in 2011. The 2012 booklet highlights the achievements of the [R2P Fund projects](#).

Publications 2013

For recent publications, including [Alex Bellamy's](#) recent article on the 2012 General Assembly dialogue, and [Sara Davies'](#) commentary on curtailing mass sexual and gender based violence, visit the Centre's [publications](#) and [In the Media](#) pages.

The Centre continues to produce short, crisp [Policy Briefs](#) on important issues of R2P concern. The most recent policy brief was written by [Noel Morada](#), entitled [Growing Ethnic Tensions in Myanmar and Indonesia](#).

The Centre has also started producing Spotlights on R2P, a collection of speeches, news items and highlights which can be found under [Spotlight](#) on the Centre's home page.

[Tim Dunne](#) and [Matt McDonald](#) contributed to and guest edited the *Politics of Liberal Internationalism* issue of the A-ranked journal *International Politics*.

Event Highlights

From 25-26 February, [Noel Morada](#) participated in a workshop and public seminar organised by the [Cardozo School of Law](#), Yeshiva University and the [Auschwitz Institute for Peace and Reconciliation](#) in New York. The workshop and seminar, entitled "Deconstructing Prevention: The Theory, Policy, and Practice of Mass Atrocity Prevention", examined various issues and challenges related to prevention of genocide and mass atrocities. Presenters and participants included scholars, diplomats, civil society, and practitioners from the United Nations and those involved in peacekeeping operations.

Congratulations



[Charles Hunt](#), [Anne Brown](#), [Volker Boege](#), Anna Nolan won an ADRAS grant for their project, entitled "[Understanding and working with local sources of peace, security and justice in West Africa](#)." The project focuses on the contributions of non-state actors to security, peace and just. Field research in Ghana and Liberia will begin in 2013.

Welcome to [Bronwyn Crook](#)

[Bronwyn](#) provides Executive Support to both [Richard Devetak](#), Head of School, [POLSiS](#) and [Tim Dunne](#), AP R2P Research Director, welcome Bronwyn!

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Partners

As a member of the newly formed network of feminist academics, Women Peace and Security Academic Collective (WPSAC), [Sara Davies](#) was involved in a panel discussion, [Women, Peace and Security 8 Days of Activism](#), at UQ on 1 March.



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The Centre values its partnership with colleagues at the Human Protection Hub, Griffith Asia Institute

From 18-20 March, [Noel](#) also participated in a high-level working meeting in Dar Es Salaam, Tanzania on Prevention of Atrocities jointly organised by the foreign ministries of Switzerland and Tanzania. The main objective of the meeting was to develop a concrete and pragmatic reflection of various approaches to developing national strategies for mass atrocities prevention. It also aimed to strengthen the emergence of a "Community of Commitment" in this field by developing synergies among national focal points on R2P and by strengthening exchanges in experiences, good practices, and lessons learned at national and regional levels.

On 21 March the [Institute for Social Science Research](#) hosted a book launch for Bryn Hughes, [Charles T. Hunt](#) and Jodie Curth-Bibb on their new book '[Forging New Conventional Wisdom Beyond International Policing: Learning from Complex, Political Realities](#)'. The book emphasizes the need to understand peace missions from the vantage points of those affected by them and to include them in operational design and planning.

The ISA Annual Convention was held in San Francisco on 3 April – 6 April 2013. [Tim Dunne](#) attended the Conference as a member of the Governing Council. Both [Tim Dunne](#) and [Kath Gelber](#) attended a pre-ISA workshop on R2P. [Sarah Teitt](#) presented a paper on China and Humanitarianism, and [Charles Hunt](#) also attended the Conference.

On Wednesday 24 April the Centre hosted a Roundtable on Extending gender justice to post conflict states. Australian Research Council Future Fellow, [Louise Chappell \(University of New South Wales\)](#) discussed the ICC's complementarity regime, focusing on its problems and its prospects for improving gender justice.

Opportunities

The Centre values its partnership with the [Student Coalition for R2P](#), and encourages university students who would like to learn more about R2P and atrocities prevention to get involved in activities run by this dynamic group of student researchers and advocates. Read the Student Coalition's recent [newsletter](#).

We welcome inquiries on scholarships available to support students from the Asia-Pacific to pursue PhD research. For more information see: [Australia Awards Scholarships](#).

The Centre offers students and young professionals an exciting opportunity to gain invaluable work and research experience in the field of genocide and mass atrocities prevention and response. Details on [internships](#) and [PhD opportunities](#) can be found on the [Opportunities](#) page of the website.

As always we appreciate your feedback about the newsletter and input on what you would like to see included. Please contact [Marie Hobman](mailto:m.hobman@uq.edu.au), m.hobman@uq.edu.au with your suggestions.

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