

International Conference

Present Past: Time, Memory, and the Negotiation of Historical Justice

Genocide Prevention Special Programing

Thursday, December 7, 2017 – Saturday, December 9, 2017, Columbia University

Exhibit: Breaking the Silence of a History Denied: An Armenian Family's Story Reimagined

(Location: International Affairs Building, fourth floor)

CONFERENCE PROGRAM: Uses of History in Genocide Prevention

December 9, 2017

9:00am-10:30am Teaching the Past and Genocide Prevention: Education Inside and Outside the Classroom

"History as Genocide Prevention: The Case of Ordinary Soldiers," Michael Geheran, U.S. Military Academy
"Can Exhibitions Induce Empathy and Prevent Genocide?," Kara Blackmore, London School of Economics and Political Science (United Kingdom); "The Methodological Challenges of Investigating the Role of History Teaching in Peacebuilding," Abigail Branford, University of Cambridge (United Kingdom); "Teaching Peace and Conflict Modules to Deconstruction of Genocide in Nigeria," Olakunle Folami, Adekunle Ajasin University (Nigeria)

11:00am-12:30pm -The Legacies of 'Never Again': Cultural and Legal Frameworks to Genocide Prevention

"The ICTY's Role in the Struggle against the Denial of Genocide," Eszter Kirs, Corvinus University of Budapest (Hungary); "The Perinçek Case before the European court of Human Rights: Some Reflections on Denial, Law, History and Genocide Prevention," Sévane Garibian, University of Geneva and University of Neuchâtel (Switzerland); "The Failure of the 'Never Again': Remembering the Shoah and its Criticalities," Fiorenza Loiacono, University of Bari (Italy); "History and Conflict Prevention in Guatemala: Can Human Rights Advocates Ask Why?," Betsy Konefal, The College of William and Mary

12:30pm-1:45pm Luncheon "Breaking the Silence of a History Denied: An Armenian Family's Story Reimagined"

1:45pm-3:15pm Civil Society Initiatives and Atrocity Prevention

Panel Chair: Kerry Whigham, Columbia University and the Auschwitz Institute for Peace and Reconciliation
"The Role of CSOs in Genocide Prevention: The WANEP's Experience in West Africa," Jara Cuadrado Bolaños, Instituto Universitario General Gutiérrez Mellado and UNED (Spain); "The 1965 Anti-Communist Purge in Indonesia and Genocide Prevention Initiatives," Baskara Wardaya, Sanata Dharma University (Indonesia); "Bringing Them Home WA: 20 Years of Genocide Prevention Work in Australia," Alison Atkinson-Phillips, Murdoch University (Australia); "Lessons Learned on Regional Reconciliation Efforts in Northern Uganda," Oryem Nyeko, Justice and Reconciliation Project (Uganda)

3:30pm-5:00pm Recording the Past and Thinking about the Future: Archives, Testimony, and Memory

Panel Chair: Pamela Graham, Columbia University

"Genocide Testimonies: Narrative and Ethnographic Approaches," Sarah Federman, University of Baltimore
"How Community Archives Can Stall the Genocidal Project of Erasure," Emily Willard, University of Washington; "Alternative Models of Collective Memory in Preventing Renewed Civil Wars: The U.S. and Nigerian Cases," Roy Licklider, Rutgers University; "Using Memories of Past Atrocities to Prevent Future Occurrences: Indigenous Populations in Latin America," Nadia Rubaii and Susan Appe, Binghamton University