



# From feeling to healing: embracing emotions in peacebuilding and a pandemic



## ROTARY PEACE FELLOWS CLASS XVIII

ANNUAL SEMINAR BOOKLET 2021  
Saturday 20th March, 2021  
The Women's College UQ St Lucia Campus

## Janet Lawrence Peace Fellow Recognition

This seminar is dedicated to the memory of Janet Lawrence, an indomitable volunteer and advocate for the Rotary Peace Fellowship program and The University of Queensland Rotary Peace Centre.

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Janet suddenly left us on Christmas Eve morning in 2019, and the world lost a champion for peace. Janet had supported the Rotary Peace Fellowship program since 1999 when expressions of interest for Rotary Peace Centres were first sought. She undertook this advocacy alongside and through her roles as Club President (twice - Woden and Paddington) and as Assistant Governor for D9710. Janet saw a future world where peace was indeed possible, with Peace Fellows contributing to peace as representatives for two million Rotarians around the world.

Fast forward to 2004 and Janet, now a resident of Brisbane, became a strong supporter of the Rotary Peace Fellows studying at The University of Queensland. Her affinity with these wonderful and courageous trailblazers grew. She was counsellor for four Peace Fellows as well as numerous 'lost' Fellows, a host 'welcomer', and a 'landlady' to numerous Fellows over the years. These experiences led her to a three-year role as Host Area Coordinator for the UQ Rotary Peace Centre. She had responsibility for Rotarian counsellor selection and training as well as ensuring satisfactory connections between Rotarians and Peace Fellows.

Janet's commitment and significant contribution to the program led to her being asked to serve on the Peace Centres Committee in 2017. Her 3-year term would have concluded in mid-2020. This role involves helping to guide the principles and policies of the Rotary Peace Fellowship program and the appraisal of Peace Fellow candidates for the various centres around the world.

It was Janet's dream to use her gifts to assist with the selection and field deployment of Peace Fellows to help create peace in conflict situations beyond her immediate reach. She saw each Peace Fellow as an extension of herself – each Fellow serving to create a more loving and embracing world.



In consultation with the UQ Rotary Peace Centre Advisory Board, it was agreed to honour Janet's legacy through the 'Janet Lawrence Peace Fellow Recognition'. The recognition reflects and celebrates Janet's values and spirit - Service above Self, Volunteering and Proactive Leadership – among the outgoing cohort of UQ Peace Fellows.

Since Janet was a strong fiscal supporter of the Rotary Foundation, we (her family of John Lawrence and our four sons) believe that it would be her wish to utilise her Rotary Foundation credits to complement the Peace Fellow Recognition with a Paul Harris Fellow.

As we recognise a Peace Fellow, Janet would be quick to point out that all Peace Fellows are already Peace Champions. She would call us to celebrate all Peace Fellows and peace advocates around the globe.



# Program

10:30 - 11:00 am	<p><b>Arrival &amp; Registration</b></p> <p>Tea &amp; coffee available upon arrival</p>	2:55 - 3:15pm	<p>Afternoon Tea</p>
11:00 - 11:35 am	<p><b>Opening Remarks &amp; Introduction</b></p> <p>Welcome to Country - Steve Coghill          Director, Rotary Peace Centre UQ - Associate Professor Morgan Brigg          Rotary Host Area Coordinator - Doug St Clair          Rotary Peace Fellow Class XVIII Representatives - Rachel Buchan &amp; Elly Torres</p>	3:15 - 4:20pm	<p><b>Panel 3 Presentations:</b></p> <p><b>UNDERREPRESENTED VOICES IN PEACEBUILDING</b></p> <p>The voices of women, migrants, youth and many others in conflict, peace and security work remain underrepresented and unacknowledged despite the fact that conflict and crisis disproportionately affect such groups. Engaging their voices in the processes of rebuilding communities is crucial to identify specific needs and ultimately foster more inclusive peace and security.          Moderator: Dr Erica Rose Jeffrey</p>
11:35am - 12:05 pm	<p><b>Guest Speaker: Dr Emma Leslie, Founder and Executive Director of the Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies, Cambodia</b></p> <p>Vote of Thanks, Professor Katharine Gelber, Head of School</p>	4:20 - 4:25pm	<p>Emotion Reflection Activity</p>
12:05 - 12:10 pm	<p>Emotion Reflection Activity</p>	4:25 - 4:40pm	<p>Janet Lawrence Peace Recognition</p>
12:10 - 1:00 pm	<p><b>Panel 1 Presentations:</b></p> <p><b>POSITIVE PEACE</b></p> <p>The concept of positive peace emerged to complement negative peace, or the absence of violence. Positive peace goes beyond the cessation of violence to facilitate a positive environment for human flourishing. It deals with questions of legitimacy and justice, and includes concepts such as good governance, economic equality, information access, good diplomatic relations, education, healthy ecosystems, and human rights. Moderator: Casey Crocket</p>	4:40 - 5:00pm	<p>Concluding Remarks</p> <p>Rotary Peace Fellow Class XVIII Representatives - Rachel Buchan &amp; Elly Torres</p>
1:00 - 2:00 pm	<p><b>Lunch</b></p> <p>Please join us on the verandah for lunch and beverages</p>	5:00 - 6:00pm	<p><b>Cocktail Function</b></p> <p>Cocktail hour   First drink and finger food complimentary - cash bar available</p>
2:00 - 2:55 pm	<p><b>Panel 2 Presentations:</b></p> <p><b>DIVERSITY, CONFLICT AND SOCIAL COHESION</b></p> <p>Failure to address the legacies of conflict and violence results in ongoing tensions and socio-political divisions. Such circumstances highlight the importance of transitional justice, reconciliation and the pursuit of equality to build the relationships needed for strengthening social cohesion and promoting sustainable peace. Moderator: Dr Joseph Hongoh</p>		

# Welcome from the Director



## Associate Professor Morgan Brigg

Director, The University of  
Queensland Rotary Peace Centre



I acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the lands on which The University of Queensland and the Rotary Peace Centre operate. On behalf of Centre staff and Fellows, I pay my respects to the Traditional Owners' Ancestors and their descendants who continue cultural and spiritual connections to Country. I recognise their valuable contributions to Australian and global society.

The past year has been like no other. As we learn to live with COVID-19, I am delighted that this Annual Peace Fellows' Seminar is taking place, albeit in hybrid mode. Last year we were disappointed that a seminar became impossible. Returning to our regular program of seminars reminds us of all that the seminar signals and brings in collaboration and partnership. In that context I extend a particularly warm welcome to all our attendees, whether you are joining in person or online.

At the outset I also want to pay tribute to Class XVIII for their resilience and alacrity in dealing with the challenges of the past year. We are glad that you were with us before travel restrictions came into play, and are delighted that you have all chosen to stay with us. Equally, we acknowledge the stress that you have been under as you have followed sometimes harrowing events in your home countries, dealt with direct personal impacts upon your networks of family and friends, and had to conduct parts of your study in online mode.

I am also delighted and grateful that Dr Emma Leslie can join us online as Guest Speaker. Emma is a longstanding and significant contributor to peace and conflict resolution in our region. It is a privilege to hear from her.

In a pandemic-affected world, I am sure that members of Class XVIII will highlight for us the ongoing and indeed heightened importance of peacebuilding and conflict resolution efforts. As we have seen over the past year, pandemics tend to amplify inequality, societal fracturing and conflict. These patterns are not always visible to those of us living in the relatively fortunate circumstances that we experience in Brisbane. Those affected by conflict and the pandemic, each and every one, command and deserve our best efforts.

In the context of the requirement that we attend and respond to the needs of others I want to commend to you Class XVIII's seminar theme, 'embracing emotions'. For too long, science and professional practice in many fields has laboured under the assumption that positive social change is achieved and characterised, almost naturally, by the application and advance of reason.

No doubt reason is a singularly powerful phenomenon of recent centuries, and we must continue to insist on the value of reason and facts as we deal with the challenges of misinformation and conspiracy theory. Yet the very presence of these challenges signals the need to think and work more imaginatively and creatively. Indeed, we are learning, perhaps more slowly than we need to, that we have adopted an easy and erroneous divide between reason and emotions, and that a bias toward reason has led to the neglect of important and inescapable dimensions of what it means to be human.

The work of the Fellows on such cutting edge themes as the role of emotions in peace and conflict resolution reminds us of the value of the partnership between Rotary and the School of Political Science and International Studies. The School is delighted to continue to partner with The Rotary Foundation in the Peace Centres Programme, local Rotarians, and to collaborate with partner centres around the globe. We are one year closer to the 20th Anniversary of the UQ Rotary Centre in 2022, and I continue to look forward to deepening our partnership as we approach that remarkable milestone.

To Class XIX Fellows, we are of course saddened that you are not able to join us in person. However, I want to extend an especially warm online welcome to you. We look forward to welcoming you to Brisbane in person when you are able to travel.

Thank you to everyone involved with the Rotary Peace Fellowship for contributing to the experience of Class XVIII Fellows. Among others, this includes many local Rotarians, especially counsellors, as well as UQ academic and professional staff. I particularly want to thank Rotary Host Area Coordinator Doug St. Clair, members of our Rotary Advisory Board, and Graduate Centre Manager Diana McCluskey. To Class XVIII, congratulations on your success in your studies, and my sincere thanks for managing those studies and your contributions to the Fellowship so well amidst the challenges brought on by the pandemic. My sincere best wishes for your future efforts in the field of peace and conflict resolution, whatever form they may take.

## Statement from the Host Area Coordinator

# Doug St Clair

Host Area Coordinator,  
Rotary Peace Fellow Program, The University of  
Queensland



Welcome to the Rotary Peace Fellows' Seminar presented by Class XVIII. The Fellows' theme for this year's seminar, 'From feeling to healing: embracing emotions in peacebuilding and a pandemic', is very appropriately chosen.

As always, when the Fellows complete their studies mid-year and go out into the world, we will have some incredible representatives and workers to promote peace and embody the *raison d'être* of the Rotary Foundation – 'Doing Good in the World!'

Last year's seminar took on a different format due to COVID-19 restrictions and so we are hopeful that the 2021 seminar will be something of a rebirth and a positive reorientation towards the future. The class have worked through what can only be described as extraordinary times, and this seminar is in many ways a celebration of their efforts both individually and collectively. They are indeed a special group.

COVID-19 has, of course, changed the nature of the Fellows' Applied Fieldwork Experience (AFE) that normally sends them to all parts of the world over summer. Nonetheless, the Fellows have been able to put into practice some of their course learnings with a variety of Australian and remote field experiences, and this seminar provides an excellent opportunity for them to share these with others including the many Rotarians and friends of Rotary who have supported them.

On behalf of Rotary and the Fellows I want to express our appreciation for the tremendous support of The University of Queensland Peace Centre staff. I also want to acknowledge the ongoing work and guidance provided by our Rotary Advisory Board, including through our Director, Associate Professor Morgan Brigg, Graduate Centre Manager Diana McCluskey, District Representatives David Field and Leslie Smith, Alumni Representative Luisa Ryan, and of course our Class XVIII Representatives Elly Torres and Rachel Buchan.



# Welcome from the Peace Fellows Class XVIII



# Elly Torres and Rachel Buchan



## Rotary Peace Fellow Class XVIII Representatives

In February 2020, we crossed oceans to meet in Meeaan-jin, the Turrbal name for Brisbane, a place for us to build our knowledge and skills in pursuit of peace and justice in this world. Today, on behalf of our Class XVIII - Rotary Peace Fellows, we are grateful to have grown as peacebuilders with the support of Rotary Foundation, Rotary International, and local Rotarians. Achieving the Master of Peace and Conflict Studies program at The University of Queensland opens a new path to creating change.

At the beginning of this Rotary Peace Fellowship journey, each of us arrived with different expectations that were transformed as we encountered the challenges of COVID-19. We were the first cohort of Peace Fellows to experience mandatory online classes, movement restrictions, and social isolation in a new country. These realities were disappointing; however, they did not change our opportunity to co-create a peacebuilding community that will continue growing beyond the Fellowship. In each of the Peace Fellows we saw, in hindsight, how daily expressions of perseverance, strength, hope, and kindness forged our cohort's resilience. With your support, we found a way to combine our expectations with different opportunities, allowing us to progress and specialise at an academic, professional and personal level.

Pursuing our academic objectives in the middle of a crisis also taught us many unique skills that we believe are critical for 21st century peacebuilding. Empathy toward ourselves and our community, as well as for people who are different than us, for example, was fostered as people across the world went through similar experiences with COVID-19. We also learned that caring for wellbeing and mental health cannot be sacrificed amid crisis, especially when our surroundings become increasingly vulnerable. Most importantly, we realise the danger of viewing peacebuilding and crisis-management as competing priorities. In reality, peace initiatives like the Rotary Peace Fellowship are more important than ever as the world experiences conflicts intensified by emerging crises associated with public health and climate change, and changing technologies.

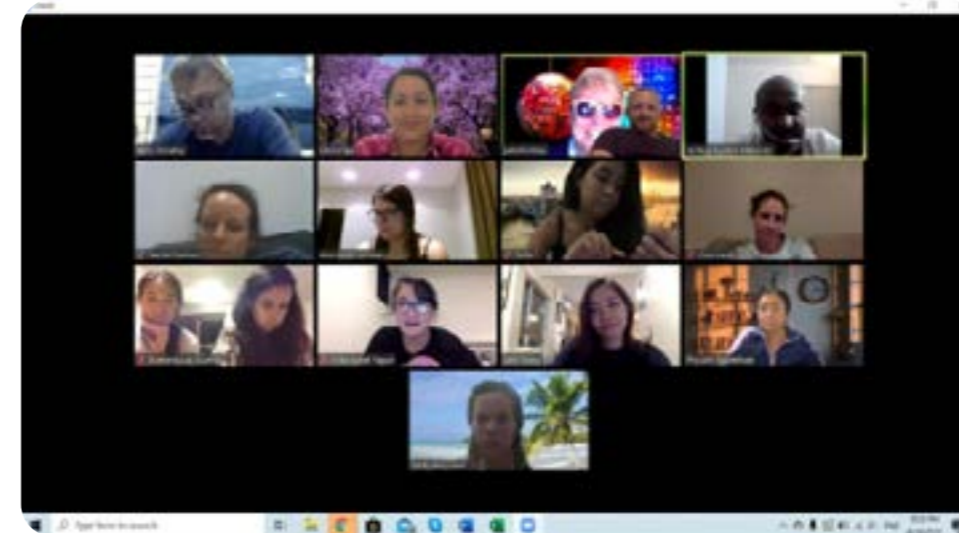
These challenges and lessons demonstrated to us the inseparable relationship between conflict and emotions. When we considered the theme for this seminar, each Fellow reflected on a range of emotions that they experienced during the Peace Fellowship - much like peacebuilders and everyday people experience in conflict-affected communities all around the world. Research shows that emotions govern conflict scenarios more so than logic or data-driven policymaking. Therefore, recognizing and embracing our emotions connects us as humans and empowers us as peacebuilders. We hope that this seminar encourages you to see the emotions that operate within and outside you and your community as we do the same, no matter

who you are or what conflicts are within your community.

Finally, we express sincere gratitude to the Rotarians and Peace Centre staff who made this Peace Fellowship possible. Even as you experienced the COVID-19 crisis personally and in your communities, you never wavered in your support of us. You funded our scholarship, taught our classes, opened your homes, fed us home-cooked meals, shared your country, and welcomed us into your families. .

We offer special thanks to Morgan Brigg, Roland Bleiker, and Diana McCluskey for your constant leadership and support throughout our Fellowship

To Rotarians Doug St Clair, Leslie Smith, David Field, John Lawrence, and each Rotary Counsellor, thank you for your belief in us and your action to keep us energised as Peace Fellows. Finally, to each and every Rotarian who signed up to be our counsellors and the clubs who supported us, thank you for making us family and Australia our home.



Above: Rotary Peace Fellows had to gather around digital forms to stay connected to each other during social isolation.

Below: Class XVIII with Rotarians and academics at the International Day of Peace Lecture, held at Saint John's Cathedral.



Guest  
Speaker

Dr Emma Leslie

## Dr Emma Leslie

Founder and Executive Director of  
the Centre for Peace and Conflict  
Studies, Cambodia



Emma Leslie, an Australian-Cambodian, director of the Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies, supports peace processes across the Asia region. Since 1993 she has been committed to the field of conflict transformation, undertaking a range of initiatives in weapons reduction, landmine-related disputes, community-based peace building and interfaith dialogue. She developed the MA and PhD. programs in Applied Conflict Transformation Studies together with Pannasastra University of Cambodia and two years ago launched the Cambodia Peace Museum.

For the past nine years, she has served the Philippine Government – Moro Islamic Liberation Front peace talks as a member of the International Contact Group culminating in the Comprehensive Agreement on the Bangsamoro in 2014. Emma has also been actively engaged in the Myanmar and Korean Peninsula peace processes and since 2012 Emma has taught mediation and dialogue at the Folke Bernadotte Academy. She holds an MA in International Development, an honorary PhD. in Education, and an Order of Australia. Emma was one of 1000 women nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize in 2005, and was profiled by KACIID as a 'hero of dialogue'.





## Moderators

### Casey Crocket

Casey Crocket is a nationally accredited mediator, conflict coach, facilitator and victim-offender mediator. She currently works in community justice with the Queensland Department of Justice and Attorney General. Originally from Michigan, Casey spent the first six years of her career working as a teacher of English for non-English speaking youths in Japan, Spain and Texas. Her interests include utilizing conflict resolution as a part of cultural education and connecting people from different cultures to build mutual understanding. Casey came to Australia on a Rotary Peace Fellowship to study Peace and Conflict Resolution at The University of Queensland and has been involved with the Community Café Dialogues since 2013. Casey is a consultant with Peace and Conflict Studies Institute Australia (PaCSIA).

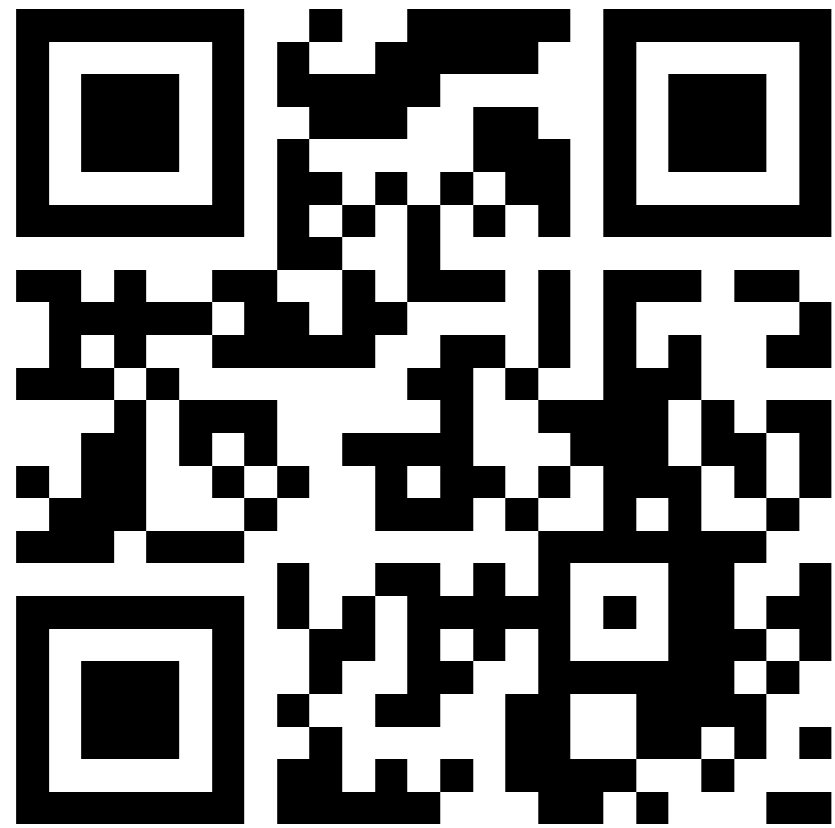
### Dr Joseph Hongoh

Dr Joseph Hongoh is a Conciliator with the Queensland Human Rights Commission. He is also a sessional lecturer with the School of Political Science and International Studies, The University of Queensland, and a Peacebuilding and International Development practitioner with Peace and Conflict Studies Institute Australia (PaCSIA). Joseph is an established facilitator, mediator, trainer, and a monitoring and evaluation consultant. He is also an interdisciplinary researcher in State-Society relations in conflict management and resolution, state-building as conflict management, the politics of development, community-based approaches to managing conflicts, relations between local and external interveners, as well as peacebuilding and post conflict reconstruction. Geographically, Joseph has extensive work experience in Africa, Asia and the Pacific, including in Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Burundi, the Democratic Republic of Congo, South Sudan and Rwanda, the Philippines, Papua New Guinea and Australia.

### Dr Erica Rose Jeffrey

Dr Erica Rose Jeffrey believes in the power of movement for facilitating positive social change. She has worked internationally as a performer, choreographer, educator, and facilitator. The first dancer to be selected as a Rotary Peace Fellow, she completed a Masters in Peace and Conflict Studies at The University of Queensland and a PhD from Queensland University of Technology focusing on dance and peace. She is a Director at Peace and Conflict Studies Institute Australia (PaCSIA), and is currently engaged in community peacebuilding projects in Australia, Vanuatu, the Solomon Islands, and Papua New Guinea. Erica Rose is deeply involved in PaCSIA's work in the Autonomous Region of Bougainville supporting the internationally recognised referendum on Bougainville's future political status. She is also the Director for Dance for Parkinson's Australia, and was instrumental in bringing Dance for Parkinson's to Australia and launching classes nationwide as well as in the Asia Pacific region.

How do you feel today?



Class XVIII  
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# Rachel Buchan

USA



Rachel Buchan is an aspiring public servant from the United States. Rachel's passion for peace and good governance was formed while teaching English to Syrian refugees as a Fulbright Scholar in Turkey. Through her students' stories, Rachel witnessed the need for peacebuilding and the power of government as a double-edged sword to either inflict great harm or to protect human security. She returned to Washington, DC in 2016 to learn more about government, peacebuilding, and human rights. Rachel served in The Office of Barack and Michelle Obama, for the U.S. Congress, for the Hillary Clinton 2016 presidential campaign, and at Human Rights First. Most recently, Rachel was Vice President of Government Relations at Capstone LLC, a policy analysis firm that researches how geopolitics impact large industries and local economies.

In the Rotary Peace Fellowship, Rachel has focused on developing her understanding of good governance by researching dynamics of policymaking, preventing war crimes, nonviolent political action, counterterrorism, security, and development. For her Applied Field Experience, Rachel worked with the Centre for Policy Futures at The University of Queensland to conduct research related to development in Pacific Island countries. Rachel assisted with applied research for The Pacific Community (SPC) in the development of their 10-year Strategic Plan that prepares for issues such as climate change, ecosystem degradation, social change, technology development, and changing geopolitics in the region.

After graduation, Rachel hopes to return to the United States to work in foreign policy for entities such as the U.S. State Department or the U.S. Senate Foreign Relations Committee. Her long-term passion is to amplify local voices in the policymaking process, such that everyday people who must live with policy decisions have influence into the policymaking process. Rachel owes her deep love of learning to her alma mater, Birmingham-Southern College, and Rachel's greatest pride is her beloved family and home state of Alabama where she was raised on delicious food, true grit and enduring joy.

- Sponsor Club: Rotary Club of Birmingham, USA, District 68680
- Host Club: Rotary Club of Redlands Bayside, Australia, District 9630
- AFE Organisation: The Centre for Policy Futures, University of Queensland
- AFE Country: Australia

# Molly Ferguson

USA



Molly is a Class XVIII Rotary Peace Fellow from the United States, pursuing a Master of Peace and Conflict Studies at The University of Queensland. She received her BA in International Studies and Women's and Gender Studies from the University of South Carolina in 2012. Molly went on to serve in the U.S. Peace Corps in Togo, West Africa as a Community Health Volunteer. Molly's focus during her Peace Corps service was capacity building in immunization, maternal and neonatal care, hygiene and sanitation, and women's empowerment. Since her Peace Corps service, she worked at JSI, a global health non-profit agency in Washington D.C., supporting immunization programs, mostly in Africa and South Asia. Molly spent 2019 on a short-term contract in Freetown, Sierra Leone, supporting capacity development of schools of midwifery throughout the country, after the 2014 Ebola outbreak left the country with virtually no midwives. Molly intends to use her Master's degree to pivot her career from health towards her passion for grassroots level peacebuilding and human rights advocacy.

Molly's Applied Field Experience was an internship with the Institute for War and Peace Reporting. IWPR supports local reporters, citizen journalists and civil society activists in three dozen countries in conflict, crisis and transition. The IWPR team focuses on promoting freedom of expression, strengthening accountability, and building inclusive societies.

Molly has supported the Lebanon office in reviewing and analyzing Syria program data to produce impact and learning material. In supporting monitoring & evaluation plans for donors, Molly has been able to help IWPR think more thoroughly about their impact and reach, through programs on social cohesion and gender inclusivity in Syria.

Molly is passionate about grassroots peacebuilding and, in particular, aims to work with women and girls, who are often disproportionately affected by conflict.

- Sponsor Club: Rotary Club of Doylestown, USA, District 7430
- Host Club: Rotary Club of Loganholme, Australia, District 9630
- AFE Organisation: Institute of War and Peace Reporting (IWPR)
- AFE Country: Lebanon

# Maya Glassman

Israel



Maya is an Israeli peace activist who works for promoting the two-state solution. Maya worked for various peace-focussed NGOs, such as Peace Now and Geneva Initiative, and has extensive experience as a facilitator of Israeli-Palestinian dialogue groups. In recent years, Maya also worked in the Israeli Parliament as a political advisor. Maya has a BSc in Politics and Government and Management, and is currently undertaking her dual Master of Peace and Conflict Studies and International Relations.

Maya conducted two AFEs, in the UN Peacebuilding commission Support Office (PBSO), and in the ANTaR QLD organization that promotes Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples' rights. The different nature of the organizations that she interned in enabled her to gain a broad understanding regarding the diverse structures of organizations that promote peace: top-bottom, international, hierarchical organizations compared with bottom-up, decentralised, local, grassroots organizations. Maya is thrilled that she managed to obtain this comprehensive perspective as it helps her navigate her career ambitions. Now, she knows more clearly that working in the field motivates her more than working in policy level organizations, since it entails more human interaction. This kind of work includes what she calls the 'human magic', and this is critical for her sense of professional fulfilment.

Some of the insights Maya attained through her AFEs experiences include the importance of social traditions for social cohesion and resilience in Indigenous communities, and the impact of structural violence on the capacity to adequately conduct these social traditions. In many cases, structural violence stems from the lack of awareness of the importance of these social traditions' for social cohesion. Working with the United Nations PBSO, she noticed how significant peacebuilding work can be delayed due to lengthy terminology disputes over specific language used in resolutions'. Formulating consent over the various resolutions among the UN Peacebuilding Commission member countries is challenging.

- Sponsor Club: Rotary Club of Israel, District 2490
- Host Club: Rotary Club of Cleveland, Australia, District 9630
- AFE Organisations: Australians for Native Title and Reconciliation (ANTaR); United Nations Peacebuilding Commission Support Office
- AFE Country: Australia; United States

Right: Australians for Native Title and Reconciliation logo



## Maya's Applied Field Experiences

The image shows two screenshots. The top one is a survey document titled 'Branch Survey to PIC Chair' with the UN logo. It includes an objective, methodology, and three survey questions. The bottom screenshot shows a video player from UN Web TV featuring a woman in traditional Indigenous attire.

**Branch Survey to PIC Chair**

**Objective of the Survey**  
(People and I can add language here)

**Methodology**  
This survey was sent via digital link, to a total of seven countries engaged, from which seven respondents responded resulting in a response rate of 100%. The survey overall average score is: 4.64 (out of 5 maximum marking).  
Respondents were asked their name and country affiliation and encouraged to respond to the following questions:

- How satisfied were you with the overall services provided by PBSO POCs on a scale of 1-5, with 5 being very satisfied?
- How satisfied were you with PBSO's strategic advice and support in planning the programme of work (including by suggesting potential country-specific, regional or thematic discussions)? On a scale of 1-5, with 5 being very satisfied?
- How satisfied were you with PBSO's support in the organization of meetings and/or trips and submission of related documents (workshop notes, briefing notes, etc.)?

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- Transport and related support such as taxis, drinks, transportation etc.
- The Salvation Army emergency telephone number: 1800 671 388 (9 am - 5 pm Monday to Friday) and website
- Aboriginal Financial Systems helpline: 1800 884 444 and website (9 am - 4 pm Monday to Friday)

# Belén Harb

Ecuador



Belén was born and grew up in Quito, Ecuador. She completed her undergraduate studies in Business and International Relations at the Pontifical Catholic University of Ecuador. She also has complementary qualifications in gender studies and peacebuilding. She is passionate about human rights and she has worked and volunteered with international NGOs in projects related to children's rights, inclusive education, and youth projects to reduce violence. Belén also worked as a United Nations volunteer as part of the humanitarian assistance team after the 2016 earthquake in Ecuador, and was in charge of project monitoring and evaluation. She then started working as Programme Assistant with UNICEF Ecuador, supporting adolescents and youth participation programmes, as well as supporting peacebuilding in schools' projects. These experiences have shaped her interest in humanitarian emergencies and how they affect people in different ways, particularly at the intersection of gender and age.

For her AFE, Belén joined UNFPA Colombia, supporting the Gender-Based Violence (GBV) Subcluster Coordination. The subcluster coordinates and provides inter-agency policy advice and guidance to gender-based violence humanitarian actors for GBV prevention, risk mitigation and response.

In Colombia the humanitarian response focuses on three main areas: armed conflict, migration, and COVID-19. Belén's AFE was divided into two stages: the first component of her work consisted of monitoring and following-up on GBV alerts from border territories, reviewing policies, guidelines and legal frameworks related to the humanitarian response for strategic gender mainstreaming interventions. In the second stage, she focused on research to elaborate a needs and risks assessment for Venezuelan migrants that travel to Colombia by foot, as they face many barriers with regard to access to protection and health services, as well as exposure to GBV risks.

Sponsor Club: Rotary Club Tsachilas of Santo Domingo de los Colorados, Ecuador, District 4400

Host Club: Rotary Club of Bribie Island, Australia, District 9600

AFE Organisation: UNFPA Colombia

AFE Country: Colombia

# Megan McKeown-Gleason

Mexico



Megan McKeown-Gleason is from Xalapa, Veracruz in Mexico, and she has a bachelor's degree in Peace Studies and Women's Studies from Chapman University. Upon completion of her undergraduate degree, she was awarded a Fulbright English Teaching Assistantship in Amman and Al-Zarqa, Jordan. There, she taught English and documentary film-making at a UNRWA school and supported Syrian and Iraqi refugees in both urban and camp contexts.

Back home in Mexico, she has collaborated on diverse social change projects, through facilitation of every-day peace-building workshops, fundraising, coordinating and logistics of local projects, as well as designing projects, teaching materials and educational programs. She has also collaborated as a producer of documentary and narrative filmmaking projects. Before starting her Rotary Peace Fellowship, she mediated eviction and civil harassment cases in the Santa Clara Superior Court and led the online outreach initiative at Project Sentinel, an NGO that works at promoting restorative justice and fair housing in the Bay Area California.



Above: Megan's work was intended on supporting youth to see alternatives to conflict.

Her AFE was done through the Asia Pacific Centre for the Responsibility to Protect and Altsean Burma. In collaboration with a group of youth in Myanmar, she has designed and produced a tool-kit of essential every-day peace-building skills. As a Peace Fellow at UQ she has been able to challenge and refine her professional practice. She has strengthened her critical thinking abilities and will leave the program knowing the importance of shifting peace-building practice towards a complexity mindset, engaging in people-centred analyses of politics and conflict, as well as developing participatory models of project planning and execution.

She is passionate about collaborating on projects related to peace education and communication, youth and atrocity prevention, wisdom of crowds, environmental politics, and the role of the arts in reconciliation and social regeneration.

Sponsor Club: Rotary Club of Xalapa Manantiales, Mexico, District 4185

Host Club: Rotary Club of Brisbane, Australia, District 9600

AFE Organisation: The Asia Pacific Centre for the Responsibility to Protect; Altsean Burma

AFE Country: Myanmar

# Megan's Applied Field Experiences



Above and below: Some of Megan's work for her handbook – designed and illustrated by her



# Tesfaye Ayalew Mekonen



Ethiopia

Tesfaye A. Mekonen is a Rotary Peace Fellow from Ethiopia. For the last six years, as well as teaching public law modules at the College of Law, Debre Berhan University, he provided pro bono legal aid services for disadvantaged individuals. Previously, he graduated with a Master of Law (LL.M) and a Bachelor's Degree in Laws (LL.B).

Because of the COVID-19 pandemic and the ensuing travel restrictions, he did his Applied Field Experience internship online. Though the unfortunate situation meant he did not have physical exposure to an institutional work environment, the online mode gave him the chance to intern at two organizations - The Centre for the Study of Violence and Reconciliation (CSV), South Africa, and at The Åland Islands Peace Institute (Ålands fredsinstitut), Finland.

At CSV, Tesfaye had the opportunity to be familiarised with the practices of transitional justice in Africa. Transitional justice in Africa has different orientations and objectives, e.g., human rights, justice, state-building, nation-building, liberal peace and democratic governance. He understands that the transitional justice mechanisms applied in South Africa, Rwanda and Liberia prioritised peacebuilding and state-building.

At the Åland Islands Peace Institute, Tesfaye's responsibility was to study how ethnic, language or other identity-based conflicts can be managed through the structure of autonomous administrations. The mode of autonomy might be territorial, like the Åland Islands of Finland, or Zanzibar in the United Republic of Tanzania, or the mode of autonomy can be non-territorial, i.e., endorsing identity-related rights and freedoms without a territorial limitation. Tesfaye did desktop research on attempts to establish territorial autonomy in Ethiopia and Cameroon. In general, his AFE at both institutions has complemented the knowledge and skills that he gained from the courses at UQ.

- Sponsor Club: Alumni Endorsement
- Host Club: Rotary Club of Sunnybank Hills, Australia, District 9630
- AFE Organisations: Centre for the Study of Violence and Reconciliation (CSV) South Africa; The Åland Island Peace Institute (Ålands fredsinstitut)
- AFE Country: South Africa; Finland



Above: Tesfaye interned at the Åland Islands Peace Institute as one of his AFEs.

## Tesfaye's Applied Field Experiences



## Linh Nong

Vietnam



Linh, an ethnic Tay woman, was born and raised in Cao Bang, a mountainous province in the north of Vietnam that shares an international border with China. Her hometown was one of the most-damaged areas in the Sino-Vietnam War in 1979, in which directly affected Linh's parents.

After Linh graduated with a bachelor's degree in Economics from Hanoi, she started working for a local NGO to support women vulnerable to violence and discrimination. For more than five years, she participated in projects and campaigns to promote gender equality and prevent gender-based violence against women and children. In 2016, Linh moved to Washington D.C. in the United States for a master's degree in International Development at American University on a Fulbright scholarship. While pursuing her MA, she actively participated in several voluntary activities in D.C. including the 3rd Celebration of International Women's Day by Rotary International at the World Bank headquarters. Linh returned to Vietnam after she was endorsed by the Metro Bethesda Club for Rotary Peace Fellowship. Before going to Brisbane for the Master of Peace and Conflict Studies, she worked extensively in water and sanitation sector in Vietnam, Laos, and Cambodia. She also worked with the UNDP on a landmine project for provinces in central Vietnam.

For her AFE, Linh interned at the Institute for Economics and Peace (IEP), a think tank in Sydney dedicated to shifting the world's focus to peace as a positive, achievable, and tangible measure of human wellbeing and progress. At IEP, with her monitoring and evaluation skills, Linh supported the Partnership team to conduct impact assessment for the IEP Ambassador Program, and IEP initiative to train and educate a network of individuals about positive peace.

Linh also supported her team to conduct conflict analyses and partnership briefs, and was involved in the implementation of the special IEP Ambassador Program for an Ethiopian cohort of more than 1,600 young people. This is an effort by IEP to assist with addressing the ongoing conflict in Ethiopia that escalated rapidly in November 2020. Due to the COVID-19 outbreak in Sydney, Linh had to move back to Brisbane early and has worked from home since late January 2021.

Sponsor Club:	Rotary Club of Metro Bethesda, USA, District 7620
Host Club:	Rotary Club of Paddington, Australia, District 9600
AFE Organisation:	The Institute for Economics and Peace (IEP)
AFE Country:	Australia

# Linh's Applied Field Experiences



Photos of Linh with Rotarians during her time in Sydney for her AFE



# Anthony Pemberton

United Kingdom



Anthony has nine years of experience in working in the peace and conflict and international development sphere, and holds a degree in Arabic, Spanish and French from Durham University, UK. His professional experience has encompassed various projects and roles in conflict research and learning: assisting participatory approaches to conflict analysis, supporting network-building and strategic planning for community dialogue processes, and advocating for conflict-sensitive approaches to development and community capacity. Through this work, Anthony has had the great privilege to work with and learn from many inspiring, engaging and resilient people, from both conflict-affected and non-conflict-affected places, with a commitment to collaboration in working towards better futures and supporting the conditions to live more peacefully.

After graduation, Anthony hopes to build on his AFE and previous experiences working with both local and international non-profit organizations to become a peacebuilding and conflict transformation practitioner. He has a particular passion for supporting more participatory and inclusive methods of working with those most affected by conflict in the design and leadership of the peacebuilding interventions that affect their lives. In his career, Anthony is also interested in pursuing professional experience in participating in mediation and negotiation in conflict settings.

Sponsor Club: Rotary Club of North West England and Isle of Man, United Kingdom, District 1285

Host Club: Rotary Club of Brisbane, Australia, District 9600

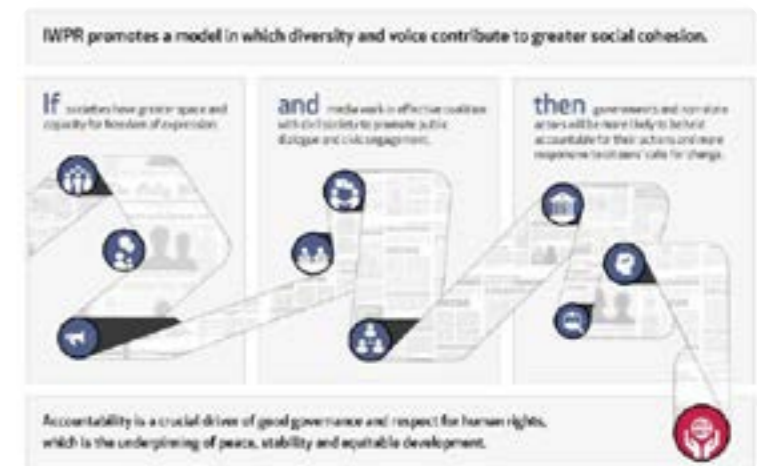
AFE Organisation: Institute for War and Peace Reporting (IWPR)

AFE Country: Lebanon

Anthony undertook his AFE with the Lebanese branch of the non-profit organization, the Institute for War and Peace Reporting (IWPR) where he supported them in the research and design of a new project focused on enhancing the social and political conditions for greater freedom of speech in Lebanon. In doing this, Anthony believes that he was able to effectively apply the academic skills and concepts he learned as a Peace Fellow at The University of Queensland to develop IWPR's new project in a way that seeks to achieve greater freedom of speech through a focus on society-oriented processes that foster stronger relationships and encourage people to identify shared issues, visions and actions for change.

Right: IWPR emphasises dialogue and civic engagement for social change and greater rights<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> <https://iwpr.net/what-we-do>

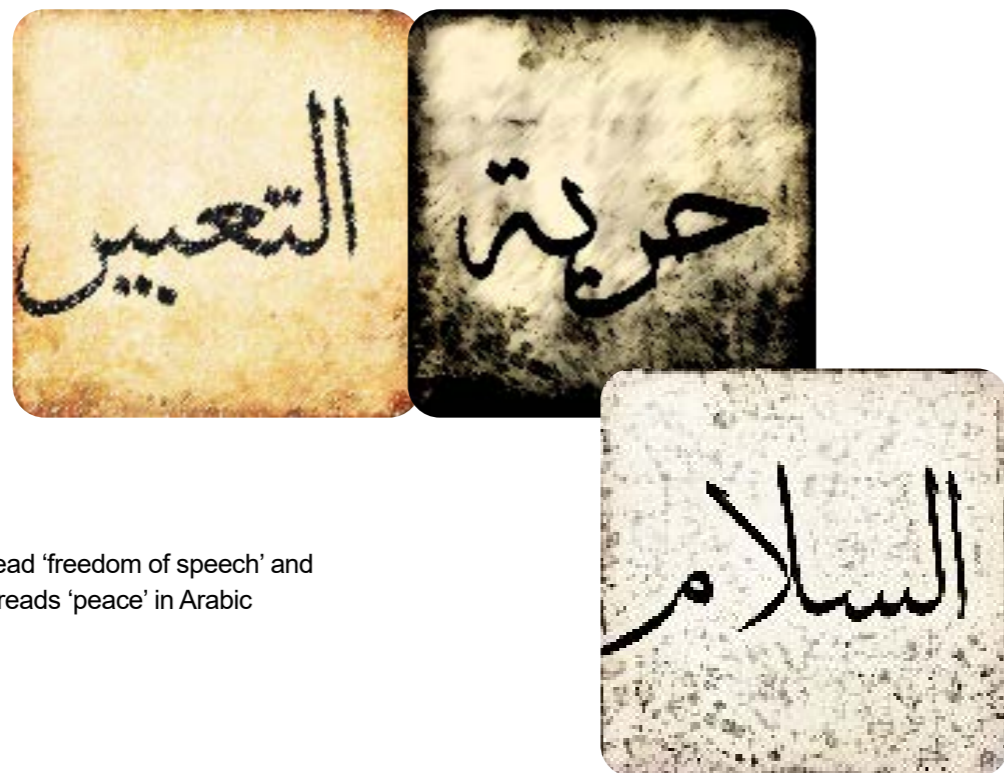




## Anthony's Applied Field Experiences



Above: The Lebanese city and UNESCO site Byblos, where Anthony has visited previously



Right: Top tiles read 'freedom of speech' and bottom tile reads 'peace' in Arabic

# Ramanathan Thuraijoo



Singapore

Ramanathan is the founder of Enviro Peace, an NGO working towards environmental sustainability and promoting peace for sustainable development. He has been proactively involved in numerous youth leadership and community engagements at ASEAN, along with global environmental and peace projects such as the UN-Habitat Asia Pacific Urban Forums, World Urban Forums, UNFCCC COP summit, UNEP Tunza Conferences and ASEF meetings. As a sustainability consultant, he served as a Professional Young Southeast Asian Leader (YSEALI) in the US, Colorado, City of Boulder's formulation of the Resiliency Masterplan Strategy. He has a bachelor's degree in Environmental Policy and Management from the University of Adelaide, a postgraduate qualification from the University of South Australia in Environmental Management and Sustainability, and an advanced certification in Sustainability and Sustainable Businesses from the Singapore Management University. He is also a certified auditor for EMS and assessor for integrated carbon footprint assessment.

He completed his AFE with the Bremen Overseas Research and Development Association (BORDA) South East Asia Regional Office (SEA) in partnership with the UN Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat). BORDA's engagement in Southeast Asia began in 1985, when BORDA Germany collaborated with the city of Jakarta to establish liveable housing at Jakarta's Museum Port. BORDA has since established offices in six countries across Southeast Asia and supported more than 370 projects through its regional office in Indonesia.

The UN-Habitat works closely with countries, inter-governmental organizations like the ASEAN and other actors on advocacy, policy and technical advice, catalyzing effective approaches such

as urban DRR through the ASEAN Sustainable Urbanisation Strategy. UN-Habitat leads on sustainable urban development, supporting national and city governments with urban planning and design, city development strategies, resilient shelter, and innovative solutions to urban services, particularly for poor and vulnerable populations.

During his AFE, Rama conducted desk research on municipal water and waste service accessibility and performed an environmental scan of conflict in the Thai-Malaysia border region, in Songkhla Province, Thailand. He assisted with the crisis risk assessment of the sub-national and internal conflicts, and the sector analysis of municipal water and waste service providers. For these processes, he coordinated remote stakeholder consultations with youth, governmental, corporate, and community groups. Upon graduating from the program, Rama would like to continue his work in the region and in countries with similar conflicts, and crisis and disaster relief needs. He feels confident in analysing and establishing models that promote dialogues and partnerships for developments leading to conflict intervention and sustainable peacebuilding.

Sponsor Club:	Rotary Club of Tanjong Pagar, Singapore, District 3310
Host Club:	Rotary Club of Logan, Australia, District 9630
AFE Organisation:	Bremen Overseas Research and Development Association (BORDA)
AFE Country:	Thailand

# Rama's Applied Field Experiences



Right: UN Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) logo



Left: Bremen Overseas Research and Development Association (BORDA) logo



# Elly Torres

Honduras



Elly Torres is a Honduran human rights advocate. She has a BA in International Relations and a background in social justice, development, gender equity and international cooperation. She was selected in the Centroamerica Adelante Fellowship, an innovative leadership development program working on the drivers of forced migration, and in the Organization of American States (OAS) Fellowship on Open Government in the Americas, an initiative to exercise the principles of transparency, collaboration and participation for democracy.

Before joining the Rotary Peace Fellowship, Elly collaborated as a Project Management and Grant-Making Specialist in several international entities including CARE International, Transparency International, International Cultural Youth Exchange, among other local civil society organizations. With over fifteen years of professional experience designing strategic peacebuilding projects, she has led advocacy, grantmaking, capacity-building, and project management for social policies to promote women's rights, safety, and justice at a local, national, and regional level.

For her AFE, Elly had the opportunity to work at UN Women Australia, supporting the strategy and engagement team. She advocated the stakeholder engagement for the International Women's Day 2021 theme - "Women in Leadership: Achieving an equal future to a COVID-19 world". This initiative ensures that the Markets for Change located in Fiji, the Solomon Islands, and Vanuatu are safe, inclusive, and non-discriminatory, promoting gender equality and women's empowerment.

Through this experience, she was able to contribute

to the quest for peace to achieve a more equal future. By pursuing a Master of Peace and Conflict Studies, Elly aims to promote inclusive and equitable practices by gaining a deeper understanding of the intersections between human rights, conflict resolution, and peacebuilding through civic engagement. For that reason, she will continue developing the organization Foresta Honduras to build a culture of peace.

- Sponsor Club: Rotary District 4250
- Host Club: Rotary Club of Pine Rivers, Australia, District 9600
- AFE Organisation: UN Women Australia
- AFE Country: Australia



Right: Elly at the UN Women's IWD event.

# Class XIX Peace Fellows 2021 – 2022



## Emily Andre

USA



Emily grew up in Antioch, Illinois before completing her BA in International Studies as a Global Scholar at American University in Washington, DC. She then served as a Peace Corps Volunteer in Senegal where she worked with counterparts on designing and developing projects focused on the nexus of food security and gender equity. As an international development professional, Emily has managed and participated in a number of different USAID projects centered around leadership development and good governance particularly in sub-Saharan Africa.

Her professional experience has encompassed research and learning, community development, knowledge management, policy analysis, and facilitation. Emily has interests in both domestic and international peacebuilding and is eager to explore forms of mediation, negotiation, and human-centered design during her time as a Rotary Peace Fellow.

## Jazmín Antista

Argentina



Jazmin Antista is an Argentinian psychologist who graduated from the University of La Plata. She has developed her career in public institutions with a background in public health, community health and in the promotion of non-violent social bonds in disadvantaged communities.

Jazmin worked at the Ministry of Health from Buenos Aires province through the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), at the Ministry of National Social Development in collaboration with UBA (University of Buenos Aires), and also worked researching and as a teaching assistant at University of La Plata (UNLP).

Jazmin's intercultural experiences (Rotary Youth Exchange student in Austria, Rotary New Generation student in India and WEUSA Program worker in United States) have helped to shape her social commitment.

As a Rotary Peace Fellow at UQ, studying the Master of Peace and Conflict studies, she expects to apply all the education received towards inclusive social development of public health policies, from a cross cultural perspective of healthcare having interculturalism and human rights as main actors in the decision-making process.

# Jenny Eck

USA



Jenny Eck is from Helena, MT, a small town nestled in the Rocky Mountains of the western US. For nearly three years, she has been the Executive Director of the Friendship Center, a nonprofit organization providing shelter and crisis services to those impacted by domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking in central Montana. From 2013-2018, Jenny served three terms as an elected legislator in the Montana House of Representatives, including a two-year term as House Minority Leader. During her tenure, she passed eleven bills which reflected her focus areas of safer communities, mental health, consumer protection, justice system reforms, and gender equity. She also chaired the subcommittee which overhauled the Legislature's anti-harassment policies and procedures.

Jenny has a strong background in political organizing and has served on numerous local, state, and national boards. She got her start in politics working on Barack Obama's presidential campaign in 2008 and went on to run Hillary Clinton's Montana campaign in 2016. In 2015, Jenny was chosen as a Rodel Fellow with the Aspen Institute. Jenny received her undergraduate degree in Government from Smith College in Northampton, MA. She currently lives in Helena with her two teenage children and is thrilled to commence her studies as a Rotary Peace Fellow, albeit remotely, at UQ. She hopes to travel to Brisbane before too long and is particularly interested in exploring peace and conflict resolution through the lens of gender-based violence and women's empowerment.

# Titus Kemboi

Kenya



Kemboi has four years of experience working with the United Nations and other international and local NGOs in refugee protection programs primarily in Africa. He has extensive knowledge and experience in refugee and asylum seekers' case management, sexual and gender-based violence caseload, psychosocial support systems, vulnerability assessments and resettlement.

He started his professional career as a protection intern and later as a registration officer at the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) in Nairobi. He then worked as a resettlement caseworker at Church World Service, Resettlement Support Center (CWS, RSC Africa) in Kenya and South Africa conducting refugee resettlement interviews

and assessments.

Kemboi graduated in 2015 with a Bachelor of Science in conflict resolution and humanitarian assistance from Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology in Kakamega, Kenya. He also has certification on Prevention of Harassment, Sexual Harassment and Abuse of Authority, Advanced Security in the field and data management.

As a Rotary Peace Fellow, the Master of Peace and Conflict Studies at UQ will help him gain a deeper understanding of the underlying factors leading to the emergence of crises among nations as well as the available avenues for peace development with special emphasis on the plight of refugees.

# Krissta Kirschenheiter

USA



Krissta Kirschenheiter is a US Citizen who spent her childhood growing up in Micronesia. At the age of 3, she moved to the island of Pohnpei, Federated States of Micronesia (FSM) and then at the age of 5, to Saipan, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI). She earned her Bachelor's Degree from the University of Hawaii, Manoa and her Law Degree from the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. In 2009, Krissta was admitted to practice law in Nevada and also became a single mother to her son Cole. As an attorney, Krissta has devoted her career to representing low-income and indigent people in a variety of civil legal matters, including immigration, family law, and disaster relief and recovery. Additionally, she has directed pro bono legal assistance projects, first throughout the State of Nevada, and after moving home to the CNMI in

2017, throughout Micronesia. Most notably, Krissta co-produced and taught a legal education bar review course on the islands of Kosrae, Chuuk and Pohnpei of the FSM. In 2019, Krissta moved from the CNMI to the Caribbean to manage the St. Thomas Office of the Legal Services of the Virgin Islands. By earning her master's degree in Peace and Conflict Studies as a Rotary Peace Fellow at the University of Queensland, Krissta intends to explore global solutions to better address climate change, especially in regards to its implications on the people of Oceania. She is very grateful to the Rotary Foundation and the Public Interest Incorporated Foundation – Rotary Foundation of Japan in their sponsorship of her to make this dream of higher learning possible.

# Carlos Moreira-Alvarez

Costa Rica



Carlos G. Moreira-Álvarez was fortunate to be born and raised in Costa Rica, surrounded by tremendous love and protection for the environment and peace. He is proud to be from Latin America, a vast area with lots of cultures and many social and environmental issues to address.

He focuses his professional career on grassroots organizations, community-based development, youth empowerment, and volunteer management, cross-pollinated by sustainability awareness.

His area of expertise focuses on education within Central America, but it extends to North and South America as well, working with linking youth from diverse economic and social backgrounds. He studied Humanities and Philosophy and specialized in Applied Ethics, and has also studied Philanthropy and Project Management too.

He is excited about studying peace in a formal setting, and, even though the pandemic has him starting his studies from abroad, he wants to be able to connect with the members of his cohort, with the Rotarians, and with all that the University has to offer.

# Floriane Niyungeko

Burundi



Floriane was born and raised in Burundi, and she completed a BA in Peace and Conflict Studies in Rwanda where she is based now.

Prior to pursuing the Rotary Peace Fellowship, Floriane was working in a Rwandan university, mainly in the area of capacity-building in nonviolent conflict transformation. She has experience in facilitating and training small groups, having worked in (and with) local NGOs, rural areas, and educational institutions such as universities and secondary schools.

Floriane is interested in cultivating a world where people find alternative ways to deal with conflict without using violence.

# Ana Prada Páez

Colombia



Ana Prada is a Colombian activist. She has studied business administration and sociology at the Javeriana University of Bogota, and is also Alumni of the International Training in Dialogue and Mediation at the University of Uppsala, as well as the international course of Sustainable Food Systems offered by the University of Wageningen. She is the founder of 3Colibris media, and she is currently working for the Government Agency of Reincorporation and Standardization, advising former combatants in the development of marketing strategies for productive projects that are part of the economic reincorporation process. She has worked for Caritas Colombiana in relation to the implementation of 'article one' of the Peace Accords, and has worked on projects for UNDP, UNFAO, UE, and the Suyusama Foundation.

Between 2016 and 2017, after having worked for FAO Colombia advising on the design of marketing strategies for productive projects led by peasant, indigenous and Afro-Colombian communities, which contribute to the construction of economies of peace with a territorial approach, Ana made a trip as a backpacker throughout ten Latin American countries to understand how sustainable, local and community food production contributes to the resolution of local conflicts through self-management.

With the master's degree in Peace and Conflict Studies, Ana seeks to contribute to the consolidation of peace economy models in Latin America, designed collaboratively by local communities as an alternative to extractive and drug trafficking economies.

# Kae Sakornsang

Thailand



Kae holds a Bachelor of Political Science from Thammasat University in Thailand, and before pursuing the Rotary Peace Fellowship, she was studying for her MSc in Politics of Conflict, Rights and Justice at SOAS, London. Her academic interests include a psychological analysis of conflicts, the politics of belonging-exclusion, intersectionality of violence, and decolonizing ethics.

Kae has many years of experience working in the field of refugee protection with an international organization and UNHCR in Thailand. Her position focuses on Child Protection and Gender Based Violence prevention and response.

As she grew up amongst political instabilities and observed violent conflicts within her own country and many regions of the world, she wants to learn more about the various causes of conflict, its dynamics, prevention of atrocity, crisis management and transitional measures that will keep the conflict-affected community able to reconcile, maintain peace, and to avoid trapping in its violent past.

Upon completion of the Fellowship, she hopes to be able to integrate her learnings and professional skills into her career, as a front-line humanitarian worker, so that she can continue to better serve, support and protect communities affected by conflict.

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## Staff and support

# Diana McCluskey



I started with the Graduate Centre in its introduction year of 2016, and have thoroughly enjoyed working with all the student cohorts across the various postgraduate programs we run.

Prior to working at UQ, I coordinated mentor programs for QUT (matching final year students with industry mentors to assist with launching their careers) and the Australian College of Rural and Remote Medicine (the John Flynn Placement program – a national mentor program matching medical students with GP mentors in regional, rural

and remote Australia). My career before working in the tertiary education space was in program management of disability employment programs.

My husband's previous membership of the Bardon Rotary Club gives me insight into the wonderful work Rotarians do – and I view working with the Rotary Peace Fellows a privilege here at the UQ Rotary Peace Centre.

# Associate Professor Morgan Brigg



Morgan Brigg blends theory and practice in examining the interplay of culture, governance and selfhood in conflict resolution, peacebuilding, governance, and international development. He worked in conflict resolution and mediation prior to his academic career, and he continues to practice as a nationally accredited mediator and facilitator. His research develops ways of knowing and working across cultural difference which draw upon Indigenous approaches to political community.

Current projects examine ways of recuperating Indigenous forms of governance and conflict resolution, and the promise of ideas of relationality for making the field of conflict resolution a genuinely global endeavour.

## Additional thanks

We deeply appreciate all the hard work that has gone into the success of our Rotary Peace Fellowship, especially during this time of uncertainty.

To all of those who have helped us on our paths to success, we thank you.

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