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01 TRAINING

At the invitation of the UNSSC, Cynthia Petrigh from Beyond peace co-facilitated a training workshop on conflict analysis for the UN Support Mission in Libya (UNSMIL) in April and another training workshop on conflict analysis for the UN Multidimensional Integrated Stabilisation Mission in Mali (MINUSMA) in May. Participants were introduced to the main conflict analysis tools, and used them to reflect on some of the root causes of the conflicts they are confronted with, the different peace and security actors as well as the opportunities for peace in both situations.

Cynthia Petrigh from Beyond peace spoke at the UK Military Academy in Shrivenham at the invitation of the Advanced Command and Staff Course **Gender, Armed Forces & War** Ends Elect class. The workshop organised on 29 June 2016 by Dr Andrea Ellner allowed Officers to discuss comparative approaches of women's participation and gender training.

For the fourth consecutive year, we taught at the ICRC's French-speaking IHL Course for Humanitarian Professionals last June. The course was held at the Humanitarium, ICRC's centre for exchange and debate on humanitarian law, policy and action. The course gathered mid to senior professionals with years of field experience.

Beyond peace co-facilitated a one-week course on refugee law for French-speaking African government officials in San Remo in May 2016 at the International Institute of Humanitarian Law.

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The workshop was part of a larger initiative aimed at generating better respect for the law, and reflected on issues including specific audiences, specific thematic issues, and on collaboration through innovative tools. The initiative produced an IHL dissemination table aimed at collecting main initiatives and resources in this field.

02 ENCOURAGING COMPLIANCE



- Church where the wounded soldiers of the battle of Solferino were collected and cared for by the women of Castiglione and Henry Dunant

We met with the EU Training Mission in CAR (EUTM CAR) Mission Commander just a few days before his departure for Bangui. According to the EU Council, "Following up an EU military advisory mission (EUMAM RCA), EUTM RCA will work towards modernised, effective, inclusive and democratically accountable Central African Armed Forces (FACA)". The mission is expected to provide training and education to the central African country's army as well as officers respectively. Staff of the country's Ministry of Defence will be provided with strategic advice. Beyond peace discussed with Mission Commander General Hauteclouque-Raysz ways and approaches for teaching IHL and prevention of sexual violence.

Beyond peace was approached by a representative of the authorities in Burkina faso to discuss training possibilities for their troops on behaviour and compliance, after the change to democratic governance.

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PUBLICATIONS

The proceedings of the Colloquium *Les Femmes dans les Conflits Armés*, held at Paris Palais du Luxembourg last April, were published by the French association Démocraties. Beyond peace Cynthia Petrih' address *An innovative approach to peace and security issues* features in the publication (in French).

An article on conflict related sexual violence and armed forces: *La violence sexuelle dans les conflits armés, quels remèdes ?* by Cynthia Petrih will be published by French Journal Défense Nationale issue this coming December.



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JOINING FORCES & IDEAS

Beyond peace is participating in the **First Annual Meeting of Frontline Negotiators and Mediators**, organised by the newly established **Centre of Competence on Humanitarian Negotiation** this October in Geneva. At the invitation of the Graduate Institute of International and development Studies and the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) and as part of the set-up to prepare the closed professional event, Beyond peace is also participating in the working Group on the technical, professional and political aspects of negotiating the implementation of humanitarian law and human rights norms on the frontlines of armed conflicts.

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- Meeting Prof. Zam Askandar and Prof. Ayesah Abubacar in Sabah, Malaysia

After having spent a number of years in conflict and post-conflict areas, it is with great happiness and a sense of duty that I have accepted to share some of this experience back home. I am teaching this year at Institut national des civilisations orientales (INALCO) and at the Jesuit faculty Centre-Sèvres, on humanitarian action and dilemmas.

In the context of the migrants crisis, I have also joined as an expert consultant the **Kodiko project** aimed at helping qualified refugees to integrate through professional mentoring, while I serve as a Judge at the French National Court for Asylum-seekers.