

Research Guide for Peace and Conflict Resolution Studies¹

1. Networks, Universities, Institutes, Centers and Think Tanks

Accord: Conciliation Resources: Website with information about conflict resolution, with information about various conflicts and The Accord Peace Agreement Index.

<http://www.c-r.org/resources/peace-agreements.php>

Aktuelle Kriege und bewaffnete Konflikte, AKUF, Arbeitsgemeinschaft
Kriegsursachenforschung, Hamburg Universität

http://www.sozialwiss.uni-hamburg.de/publish/Ipw/Akuf/kriege_aktuell.htm

Armed Groups Project: University of Calgary, "Dedicated to analyzing armed organizations but maintains a special focus on Latin America"

www.armedgroups.org

★ **Berghof Handbook for Conflict Transformation,** Berghof Research Center for
Constructive Conflict Management - comprehensive and cumulative website resource.

<http://www.berghof-handbook.net>

Beyond Intractability: "A Free Knowledge Base on More Constructive Approaches to
Destructive Conflict"

www.beyondintractability.org

Bonn International Center for Conversion: BICC, non-profit organization around the topics
of arms, peace building, and conflict. Incl. BICC Global Militarization Index.

www.bicc.de

Carnegie Endowment for International Peace: private, nonprofit organization dedicated to
advancing cooperation between nations and promoting active international engagement by the
United States. Founded in 1910.

www.carnegieendowment.org

★ **Center for Systemic Peace:** Center for Global Policy at George Mason University,
Research and analysis on conflict and violence, "research on the problem of political violence
within the structural context of the dynamic global system"

www.systemicpeace.org

CITpax, Toledo International Centre for Peace: an independent, non-profit foundation, geared
toward prevention and resolution of conflicts, management of crises and consolidation of peace
within a framework of respect of basic human rights and democratic values.

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★ *Starred items are recommended by authors.*

<http://www.toledopax.org/in/>

European Peace Research Association

<http://eupra.org/>

FRIDE: Think tank based in Madrid that aims to provide the innovative thinking on Europe's role in the international arena. Incl. working papers, backgrounders, activity briefs and books on Conflict & Security.

http://www.fride.org/homepage_english

Global Partnership for the Prevention of Armed Conflict (GPPAC) is a global civil society-led network which seeks to build an international consensus on peace building and the prevention of violent conflict.

www.gppac.net

★ **Global Peace Index** - Economist Intelligence Unit, it is the first time that an Index has been created that ranks the nations of the world by their peacefulness and identifies some of the drivers of that peace.

<http://www.visionofhumanity.org/gpi/home.php>

Households in Conflict Network: "micro level analysis of the relationship between violent conflict and household welfare."

www.hicn.org

★ **Human Security Report and Briefs:** Simon Fraser University, Human Security Report, Human Security Brief series and miniAtlas of Human Security look at trends in armed conflict and examine related issues.

www.humansecurityreport.info/

www.humansecuritygateway.info - research resources on human security.

INCORE: Resources about various conflicts in the world.

<http://www.incore.ulst.ac.uk/services/cds/countries/index.html>

Internal Displacement Monitoring Centre: leading international body monitoring conflict-induced internal displacement worldwide + IDP Database

www.internal-displacement.org

International Center for Transitional Justice " works to redress and prevent the most severe violations of human rights by confronting legacies of mass abuse"

www.ictj.org/en/index.html

★ **International Crisis Group:** Updated information and reports about conflict situations around the world. Incl. ICG Reports & Briefings; CrisisWatch.

www.crisisgroup.org

International Institute for Strategic Studies: "world's leading authority on political-military conflict." Incl. *The Military Balance* - annual assessment of the military capabilities and defence economics of 170 countries world-wide.

www.iiss.org

International Peace Research Association

<http://www.iprafoundation.org/>

★ **Peace and Collaborative Development Network PCDN:** a free professional networking site (*with over 22,500 members from around the world*) to foster dialogue and sharing of resources in international development, conflict resolution, gender mainstreaming, human rights, social entrepreneurship and related fields.

www.internationalpeaceandconflict.org

★ **PRIO International Peace Research Institute, Oslo:** Norwegian research institute,
Also: CSCW – Centre for the Study of Civil War.

www.prio.no

Relief web: UN site for information about humanitarian situations and complex emergencies.

www.reliefweb.int

Small Arms Survey: principal source of public information on all aspects of small arms. It serves to monitor national and international initiatives, dissemination of best practices in the field.

www.smallarmssurvey.org

★ **Stockholm Peace Research Institute:** Swedish research institute studying peace and conflict. Incl. SIPRI Yearbook, Policy Papers, Insights on Peace and Security, Facts on International Relations and Security Trends, Arms Industry Database, Arms Transfers Database, Multilateral Peace Operations Database, Military Expenditure Databases

www.sipri.org

Swiss Peace: practice-oriented peace research institute in the area of conflict analysis and peacebuilding.

www.swisspeace.ch

★ **TFF, The Transnational Foundation,** Sweden: is an independent think tank, a global network and a website for peace by peaceful means. (Jan Oberg)

www.transnational.org/index.html

★ **Transcend international:** Peace network dedicated to more peaceful world by using action, education/training, dissemination and research to handle conflicts with empathy, nonviolence and creativity. (Johan Galtung)

www.transcend.org/

UN Peacebuilding Commission (PBC) intergovernmental advisory body of the UN that supports peace efforts in countries emerging from conflict.

www.un.org/peace/peacebuilding/

★ **UN Peacemaker** is an online mediation support tool for international peacemaking professionals and an extensive databank of modern peace agreements.

<http://peacemaker.unlb.org/> (registration required)

UNDP Department of Crisis Prevention and Recovery:

www.undp.org/cpr/

United States Institute of Peace: Non-profit institute with information about conflict resolution, including access to many peace agreements.

www.usip.org

University of Bradford Department of Peace Studies: The world's largest university department dedicated to peace studies.
www.bradford.ac.uk/acad/peace

★ **University of Maryland Center for International Development and Conflict Management:** Houses the Correlates of War and Minorities at Risk projects. Peace and Conflict Series.
<http://www.cidcm.umd.edu/>

★ **Uppsala Conflict Data Program UCDP** collects information on a large number of aspects of armed violence since 1946. Peter Wallensteen.
www.pcr.uu.se/research/UCDP

World Bank Conflict Prevention and Reconstruction Unit: Country reports and statistics.
www.worldbank.org/conflict

2. Academic Journals

Canadian Journal of Peace Studies

<http://www.peaceresearch.ca/>

Cooperation and Conflict

<http://cac.sagepub.com/>

International Journal for Peace Studies

<http://www.gmu.edu/programs/icar/ijps/>

International Journal of Conflict and Violence

<http://www.ijcv.org/index.php/ijcv>

International Peacekeeping

<http://www.tandf.co.uk/journals/titles/13533312.asp>

★Journal of Conflict Resolution

<http://www.uk.sagepub.com/journalsProdDesc.nav?prodId=Journal200764&crossRegion=eur>

Journal of Conflict Studies

<http://journals.hil.unb.ca/index.php/JCS>

Journal of Conflict and Security Law

<http://jcs.oxfordjournals.org/>

Journal of International Peacekeeping

<http://www.brill.nl/journal-international-peacekeeping>

★Journal of Peace Research

<http://www.uk.sagepub.com/journalsProdDesc.nav?prodId=Journal200751&crossRegion=eur>

Journal of Peacebuilding and Development

<http://www.journalpeacedev.org/>

Journal of Religion, Conflict and Peace (online, open-access)

<http://www.religionconflictpeace.org/>

Peace and Change: A Journal of Peace Research

<http://www.wiley.com/bw/journal.asp?ref=0149-0508>

Peace, Conflict and Development: An interdisciplinary Journal

<http://www.peacestudiesjournal.org.uk/>

Peace and Conflict: Journal of Peace Psychology

<http://www.tandf.co.uk/journals/titles/10781919.asp>

Peace Research Abstracts Journal

<http://www.ebscohost.com/academic/peace-research-abstracts>

Peace Review: A Journal of Social Justice

<http://www.tandf.co.uk/journals/titles/10402659.asp>

★Third World Quarterly

<http://www.tandf.co.uk/journals/titles/01436597.asp>

3. Databases and Datasets

Africa Research Program @ Harvard U. "Original and detailed data on political institutions and violence in 46 sub-Saharan countries between 1970 and 1995"

<http://africa.gov.harvard.edu/>

★ **Correlates of War Project** More than 15 important datasets. David Singer/U. of Michigan

<http://correlatesofwar.org/>

IMF Data and Statistics, "A range of time series data on IMF lending, exchange rates and other economic and financial indicators. Manuals, guides, and other material on statistical practices at the IMF, in member countries, and of the statistical community at large are also available."

<http://www.imf.org/external/data.htm>

IQSS Dataverse Network "world's largest collection of social science research data"

<http://dvn.iq.harvard.edu/dvn/>

Kristian Gleditsch Data

<http://privatewww.essex.ac.uk/~ksg/data.html>

Minorities at Risk Project / Ted Robert Gurr / University of Maryland, MAR tracks 283 politically-active ethnic groups throughout the world from 1945 to the present - identifying where they are, what they do, and what happens to them.

<http://www.cidcm.umd.edu/mar/data.asp>

★ **OECD Statistics Portal**

http://www.oecd.org/statsportal/0,3352,en_2825_293564_1_1_1_1_1,00.html

Penn World Table, Center for International Comparisons of Production, Income and Prices "provides purchasing power parity and national income accounts converted to international prices for 188 countries for some or all of the years 1950-2004. "

<http://pwt.econ.upenn.edu/>

Pew Global Attitudes Project, Pew Research Center, "Project conducts public opinion surveys around the world on a broad array of subjects ranging from people's assessments of their own lives to their views about the current state of the world and important issues of the day."

<http://www.pewglobal.org/database/>

PITF - Political Instability Task Force, Internal Wars and Failures of Governance, 1955-2008, Monty G. Marshall, GMU

<http://globalpolicy.gmu.edu/pitf/>

★ **PRIO CSCW Data** on Armed Conflict, Governance, Geographical and Resource, Economic and Socio-Demographic Datasets

<http://www.prio.no/CSCW/Datasets/>

Polity IV Project: Political Regime Characteristics and Transitions, 1800-2008, Monty G. Marshall. "Continues the Polity research tradition of coding the authority characteristics of states in the world system for purposes of comparative, quantitative analysis."
www.systemicpeace.org/polity/polity4.htm

Research Unit Peace and Conflict Studies, Freie Universitat Berlin, "Research agenda focuses on the conditions and processes of collective violence, especially: types and dynamics of armed conflict, forms of military interventions in civil wars, privatization of security, distributional conflicts, and social construction of gender and identity politics in conflicts."
<http://www.polsoz.fu-berlin.de/en/polwiss/forschung/international/frieden/forschung/index.html>

SEDLAC Stats, Socio-Economic Database for Latin America and the Caribbean (CEDLAC and The World Bank), "The section presents statistics on poverty, inequality, income and other socio-economic variables for the 25 countries of Latin America and the Caribbean included in the SEDLAC database."
<http://sedlac.econo.unlp.edu.ar/eng/statistics.php>

SSRN, Social Science Research Network, "network is devoted to the rapid worldwide dissemination of social science research and is composed of a number of specialized research networks in each of the social sciences."
<http://www.ssrn.com/>

★ **World Income Inequality Database,** World Institute for Development Economics Research of the United Nations University (UNU-WIDER). "The Income Database collects and stores information on income inequality for developed, developing, and transition countries."
http://www.wider.unu.edu/research/Database/en_GB/wiid/

WB Development Data & Statistics: "High quality national and international statistics, and global statistical programs", **Research** – "Cross-country, cross-sector, thematic research outputs from the World Bank's main research unit."
<http://data.worldbank.org/>