

IPT COURSE CALENDAR 2018

TRAINING FOR PEACE ENGAGEMENT Stadtschlaing | Austria

WHAT IS IPT?

The **International Civilian Peacekeeping and Peacebuilding Training Programme (IPT)** is an internationally recognised professional training programme for civilian experts in crisis management. IPT aims to provide civilians with knowledge and skills for peacekeeping and peacebuilding activities.



WHAT TO EXPECT?

IPT graduates develop a comprehensive and critical understanding of the multiple dimensions of civilian crisis management. IPT training courses also present an excellent opportunity to meet other professionals from different institutional and cultural backgrounds, all working towards achieving sustainable peace, security, and development.

The diversity of participants and faculty is one of the unique features. Since its inception in 1993, over 1650 participants from 127 countries have benefited from it. Our trainers are experts from international organisations, military personnel, police officers; experts from NGOs, and university professors. All our trainers employ interactive methods and combine theoretical knowledge with practical application to the working environment of the participants.

IPT is a non-profit project and course fees are low thanks to the support from the Austrian Government. We also grant a limited number of scholarships to applicants from non-OECD countries.

IPT CORE COURSES



CORE COURSE FOR PEACEBUILDERS

4 – 16 March 2018

27 October – 8 November 2018

The programme of this **ENTrI** certified training course comprises theoretical inputs and practical exercises tailored to the realities in the field.

All modules enhance interpersonal skills, highlight the importance of active involvement in the host society, and promote a reflective and critical approach. The course is aimed at preparing international experts for their deployment in civilian crisis management missions. As part of the course, participants will

- ✓ learn how to handle complex risk situations: four-wheel drive training, mine awareness, and field orientation;
- ✓ familiarise with the development of peace operations and the different types of mandates;
- ✓ Understanding the relation between Complex conflict contexts and Third Party intervention;
- ✓ know the basics of design mediation and dialogue processes;
- ✓ get an overview of different actors in the field and how to cooperate with them.

COURSE FEES: € 1,920*

APPLICATION DEADLINE for SCHOLARSHIPS:

1 December 2017 and 27 July 2018 (respectively)

IPT SPECIALISATION COURSES



ELECTION OBSERVATION

17 – 25 March 2018

COURSE FEES: € 1,280*

The objective of this course is to support the development and consolidation of pluralistic, democratic societies through preparing participants for observation and assistance tasks in electoral missions. Topics include different electoral systems, different institutional approaches to elections and election observation, voting and new technologies, tasks of Short-Term Observers (STOs), Long-Term Observers (LTOs) and Election Supervisors.

GOVERNANCE AND PEACEBUILDING

9 – 18 November 2018

COURSE FEES: € 1,440*



“Local governments are often the first to collapse when factions fight for territorial control. In post-conflict settings, the state is often unable to effectively reach parts of its territory for years. Given these challenges, it is no surprise that decentralization and local governance provisions are increasingly prominent in peace agreements and national post-conflict peacebuilding agendas.” (UN SSC) The role of local and national NGOs, the transparency and legitimacy of the leaders, as well as the representation and participation of the citizens are increasingly important in these processes.

APPLICATION DEADLINE for SCHOLARSHIPS:

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IPT MASTER COURSES



CONFLICT TRANSFORMATION

15 – 24 June 2018

During this specialisation course, participants get acquainted with the underlying philosophical approaches, theoretical concepts and practical tools for facilitating conflict transformation in complex constellations. Participants will develop skills and practice a facilitator's attitude to apply their knowledge in different settings (eg. as inside mediators, as third party, or when working with potential veto groups) and at different societal levels.

Participants will

- ✓ learn the difference between concepts, such as conflict management, conflict resolution, conflict transformation, dialogue, mediation, negotiation, facilitation;
- ✓ apply tools for complex conflict analysis (actors mapping, structural power analysis, analysis of cultural meanings, needs analysis);
- ✓ develop key competencies how to promote, support and guide reflective "deep dialogue" processes;
- ✓ develop strategies how to deal with dynamics of exclusion and stigmatisation, as well as power asymmetries in conflict constellations.

COURSE FEES: € 1,440*

APPLICATION DEADLINE for SCHOLARSHIPS: 23 March 2018

IPT MASTER COURSES



PSYCHOSOCIAL WORK AND PEACEBUILDING

29 September – 7 October 2018

Approaching and analysing a conflict, peacebuilders should take into consideration the complexity of the whole system and all parties involved rather than focusing on just one particular cause or a single event even if it was responsible for triggering the conflict. In the course, participants will learn methods and develop skills to find the right approach to a peace project and to be able to anticipate the possible effects of intervention.

Without analysing and understanding the complex web of social, cultural and psychological factors serving as background to conflicts, no successful peace projects can be launched and the intervention can be more harmful than beneficial.

During the course, participants will

- ✓ learn about systematic and psychosocial approaches to conflict analysis;
- ✓ apply conflict theories into practice;
- ✓ develop key competencies for context and impact analysis;
- ✓ develop skills to understand cause-and-effect relationships.

COURSE FEES: € 1,280*

APPLICATION DEADLINE for SCHOLARSHIPS: 27 July 2018

CONTACT US

To request further information or to apply for IPT courses, please visit our homepage at www.aspr.ac.at/ipt or contact us!

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We look forward to welcoming you at Schlaining Peace Castle



***Course Fees** include: tuition fees, course materials, coffee breaks, a social event, full-board accommodation, as well as shuttle to and from the airport.

