International Symposium on
Harnessing Natural Resources for Peacebuilding:
Lessons from U.S. and Japanese Assistance

Agenda

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Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars
1300 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, 5th Floor Conference Room
Washington, DC

8:30-9:00  Registration and continental breakfast

9:00-9:45  Welcome, opening remarks, and overview

- **Welcome**: Geoff Dabelko, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars
- **Opening remarks**: John Cruden, Environmental Law Institute
- **Opening remarks**: Norio Yamamoto, Global Infrastructure Fund Research Foundation Japan
- **Overview**: Carl Bruch, Environmental Law Institute

9:45-11:00  Panel 1: Lessons for development and security practitioners on the roles of natural resource management in conflict and peacebuilding

- **Moderator**: Carl Bruch, Environmental Law Institute
- David Catarius & Alison Lawlor Russell, Center for Naval Analyses (CNA), “Counternarcotics efforts and Afghan poppy farmers: Finding the right approach”
- Mami Sato, University of Tokyo, “Demobilization, reintegration, and natural resources in Afghanistan: Afghanistan’s New Beginnings Programme”

Jon Unruh, McGill University, “The role of infrastructure (re)development in land-based resource access and use in Afghanistan”

11:00-11:15 Coffee break

11:15-12:30 Panel 2: Lessons for natural resource management professionals on conflict dynamics and power structures in post-conflict situations

- **Moderator:** Ilona Coyle, Environmental Law Institute
- Lisa Goldman & Sandra Nichols, Environmental Law Institute, “U.S. bilateral assistance to Liberia: Forestry as the cornerstone to Peacebuilding”
- Mikio Ishiwatari, Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), “Redevelopment of inland water transport for post-conflict reconstruction in Southern Sudan”
- Vladislav Michalcik, American University Washington College of Law, “Natural resources, post-conflict reconstruction, and regional integration: Lessons from the Marshall Plan and other reconstruction efforts”

12:30-1:45 Lunch (provided)

1:45-3:00 Panel 3: Development challenges in post-conflict natural resource management programs: time frame, adaptability, monitoring and evaluation

- **Moderator:** Carl Bruch, Environmental Law Institute
- Cynthia Brady and Oliver Agoncillo, U.S. Agency for International Development, “Improving natural resource governance and building peace and stability in Mindanao, Philippines”
- Mikiyasu Nakayama, University of Tokyo, “Post-project evaluation of UNEP-IETC’S Iraqi Marshlands Project”
- Mikiko Sugiura, Columbia University, “Infrastructure and peacebuilding in Sri Lanka: Lessons from Japan’s post-conflict support”
- Haruka Satoh, University of Tokyo, “Post-conflict restoration of agriculture in Timor-Leste”
3:00-3:15  Coffee break

3:15-4:30  Panel 4: Development challenges in post-conflict natural resource management programs: coordination, local engagement, institutional memory

- **Moderator:** Mikiyasu Nakayama, University of Tokyo
- Jennifer Wallace, University of Maryland and Ken Conca, American University, “Peacebuilding through sustainable forest management in Asia: The USAID Forest Conflict Initiative”
- Alex Fischer, Columbia University, “Designing environmental restoration programs in politically fragile states: Lessons from Haiti”
- Nao Shimoyachi-Yuzawa, Japan Institute of International Affairs, “Linking demining to post-conflict peacebuilding: A case study of Cambodia”
- Mikiyasu Nakayama, University of Tokyo, “Support by Australia, European countries, and Japan to the Interim Mekong Committee during post-conflict periods in Laos and Vietnam”

4:30-5:00  Conclusion and way forward

- Mikiyasu Nakayama, University of Tokyo
- Carl Bruch, Environmental Law Institute