

PEACEBUILDING, MINING, AND INTEGRAL HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

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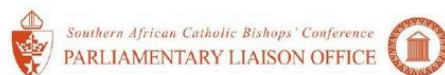
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In a number of the world's most intractable conflicts, the Catholic Church has played and is playing a major role in peacebuilding. In many areas, this peacebuilding work is becoming increasingly intertwined with issues around resource extraction, illicit economies, and the search for modes of integral human development that do not induce environmental violence, human rights violations, breakdowns in social cohesion, backsliding in peace processes, or disempowerment of already marginalized peoples. These circumstances are presenting new and complex challenges for achieving sustainable peace.

Much of this peacebuilding work by the Catholic community is unheralded, under-resourced, and under-analyzed. While the Church's peacebuilding work in some conflict situations has been well documented, Catholic peacebuilders from different countries rarely have the opportunity to compare notes on lessons learned and best practices with their counterparts in other countries and scholars. This conference is intended to foster networking, collaboration, and mutual learning with regard to the unique challenges of peacebuilding, mining, integral human development, and integral ecology.

INFORMATION

Accommodations:

June 10, 11, 12:

[Centro de Espiritualidad Francisco Palau](#)

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June 13:

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PROGRAM

TUESDAY, JUNE 10

Centro de Espiritualidad Francisco Palau

(Carrera 27 #43-14, Bogotá)

- 8:00 am **Breakfast**
P. Francisco de Roux Rengifo, SJ, [Comisión de la Verdad](#)
- 10:00 am **The Peace Process in Colombia**
Conference Room

Moderator: **María Lucía Zapata**, Pontificia Universidad Javeriana
Vera Grabe Loewenherz, [Corporación Observatorio para la Paz](#)
Ángela Ramírez, [Peace Accords Matrix Barometer Initiative](#)
- 12:00 pm **Lunch**
- 1:30 pm **Bus leaves Francisco Palau**
Visit [Fragmentos](#), Espacio de Arte y Memoria
Visit historic center of Bogotá
- 5:00 pm **Return to Francisco Palau**
- 5:30 pm **Mass**
Chapel
Cardenal Luis José Rueda Aparicio, Arquidiócesis de Bogotá
- 6:30 pm **Opening dinner**

** Chapel available for evening prayer.*

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11

- 7:00 am **Mass**
Chapel
Mons. Hugo Torres Marín, Arquidiócesis de Santa Fe de Antioquia
- 7:30 am **Breakfast**

8:30 am **Bus leaves for Pontificia Universidad Javeriana**
Alfonso Quintana, SJ Auditorium, Jorge Hoyos, SJ Building
Master of Ceremonies, María Lucia Zapata Cancelado, Pontificia Universidad Javeriana

9:15 am **Welcome and Introduction**
P. Juan Enrique Casas, SJ, Pontificia Universidad Javeriana
Liliana Zamudio Váquiro, Secretariado Nacional de Pastoral Social-Cáritas Colombiana
Gerard Powers, Catholic Peacebuilding Network; University of Notre Dame

9:30 am **10 Years of Laudato Si': Moderated Discussion**
How has Church engagement on mining been impacted by this Encyclical and other developments within the Church?

Moderator: **Edgar Antonio Lopez**, Pontificia Universidad Javeriana
Luiz Felipe Lacerda, Observatório Nacional de Justiça Socioambiental Luciano Mendes de Almeida
Jing Rey Henderson, Caritas Philippines
Mons Hugo Torres Marín, Arquidiócesis de Santa Fe de Antioquia
Mgr. Fulgence Muteba Mugalu, Conférence Episcopale Nationale du Congo (via Zoom)

10:30 am **Break**

10:50 am **Impacts of the Clean Energy Transition: Forum**
How is the demand for minerals needed for the transition to clean energy impacting mining?

P. Jorge Ernesto Zapata Ochoa, Diócesis de Istmina-Tadó
Mons. Lizardo Estrada Herrera, CELAM
Laura Montaña, Publish What You Pay
Sr. Damien Marie Savino, University of Notre Dame

12:00 pm **Lunch**
El Mirador Restaurant, Gabriel Giraldo Building

1:30 pm **Mining, Armed Actors, and Peace: Moderated Discussion**
How does mining relate to conflicts and peacebuilding?

Moderator: **Gerard Powers**, Catholic Peacebuilding Network
Rigobert Minani, SJ, Centre d'Etude Pour l'Action Sociale
Carolina Cepeda Másmela, Pontificia Universidad Javeriana
Evelyn Namakula Mayanja, Carleton University
Carolina Matiz Gonzalez, CINEP/Programa por la Paz

- 2:45 pm **Small Groups**
Identify three primary challenges for the Church related to mining and conflict, and resources that could address these challenges
- 3:30 pm **Break**
- 3:50 pm **Plenary: Group Reports/ Discussion**
- 4:30 pm **Mining and Alternative Development: Forum**
How can mining contribute to development and what are viable alternatives?
- Séverine Deneulin**, Oxford University
 Ray Offenheiser, University of Notre Dame
 Armando Sarmiento Lopez, Pontificia Universidad Javeriana
 P. René Salizar, Vicariato Apostólico de Puerto Maldonado
- 5:30 pm **Bus leaves for Francisco Palau**
- 6:30 pm **Dinner**

**Chapel available for evening prayer.*

THURSDAY, JUNE 12

- 7:00 am **Mass**
Chapel
Mons. Wiston Mosquera Moreno, Diócesis de Quibdó
- 7:30 am **Breakfast**
- 8:30 am **Bus leaves for Pontificia Universidad Javeriana**
- Carlos Corredor Auditorium, Felix Restrepo, SJ Building**
- 9:15 am **Human Rights, Indigenous Rights, and Rights of Nature: Moderated Discussion**
How are rights threatened by mining and how is the Church responding?

Moderator: **Tom Bamat**, Consultant
Jaybee Garganera, Coordinator, Alyansa Tigil Mina
P. Rodrigo Peret, OFM, Iglesias y Minería
Maryann Cusimano Love, The Catholic University of America
José Bayardo Chata Pacoricona, Derechos Humanos y Medio Ambiente-Puno

10:30 am **Break**

10:50 am **Vertical and Horizontal Linkages: Forum**
How can Church networks amplify its impact in addressing mining?

Hna. Birgit Weiler, Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú
Fr. Patricio Sarlat, Holy See Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development
Vincent Miller, University of Dayton
César Piscoya, CELAM

12:00 pm **Lunch**
El Mirador Restaurant, Gabriel Giraldo Building

1:30 pm **The Leadership Role of Women: Moderated Discussion**
How are women impacted by mining and how are they playing a leadership role in mining, peacebuilding, and development?

Moderator: **Martha Ines Romero**, Pax Christi International
Hady Mosquera Valoyes, Diócesis de Istmina-Tadó
Lisa Cahill, Boston College
Liliana Zamudio Váquiro, Secretariado Nacional de Pastoral Social-Cáritas Colombiana

2:30 pm **Small Groups**
Opportunities for and obstacles to strengthening women's leadership

3:30 pm **Break**

3:50 pm **Plenary: Group Reports/ Discussion**
In what ways can your organization or diocese strengthen roles for women leaders?

4:30 pm **Youth, Employment, and Illicit Economies: Forum**
How can the Church address special challenges of youth, labor rights, and illicit economies?

María del Mar Narváez Olivera, Secretariado Nacional de Pastoral Social-Cáritas Colombiana

Alejandra Espinosa Andrade, Programa Universitario Amazónico

Mateo Ortiz Hernández, Pontificia Universidad Javeriana

5:30 pm **Bus leaves for Francisco Palau Center**

6:30 pm **Dinner**

**Chapel available for evening prayer.*

FRIDAY, JUNE 13

7:30 am **Breakfast**

9:00 am **Bus leaves for Pontificia Universidad Javeriana**

Alfonso Quintana, SJ Auditorium, Jorge Hoyos, SJ Building

9:30 am **The Catholic Church and Mining Guidance Document: Forum**

What are the strengths and weaknesses of the guidance document?

Caesar Monteverchio, Catholic Peacebuilding Network

Séverine Deneulin, Oxford University

10:30 am **Moving Forward: Forum**

What are our commitments as we continue to address the mining issue?

Cardinal Alvaro Ramazzini, Diócesis de Huehuetenango

11:30 am **Closing Mass**

Chapel, Gabriel Giraldo Building

Fr. Patricio Sarlat, Holy See Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development

12:30 pm **Lunch**

El Mirador Restaurant, Gabriel Giraldo Building

1:30 pm **Bus leaves for Francisco Palau**

TBD

Those staying the night of June 13, you will transfer to:

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**The airport transfer service will provide rides directly from Javeriana for those with afternoon departures.*

DISCUSSION GROUPS

GROUP 1-English

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Rodrigo Peret
Vincent Miller
Jing Rey Henderson
Alejandra Espinosa

GROUP 2-English

Lisa Cahill
Jaybee Garganera
Evelyn Mayanja
Edgar Lopez
Laura Montaña

GROUP 3-English

Maryann Love
Sr. Damien Marie Savino
Ivan Vargas Castro
Martha Ines Romero
Mateo Ortiz

GROUP 4-English

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Maria Lucia Zapata
Sr. Birgit Weiler
Camilo Pardo Quintero
Carolina Matiz

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Jose Bayardo Chata
Mon. Hugo Alberto Torres
Yurleicy Mosquera
John Esneider Muñoz

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Teresa Luna Ramirez
Carolina Cepeda

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Mon. Wiston Mosquera
Edit Mireya Maya
José Geiner Mosquera

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Milton Cordoba
Armando Sarmiento
Card. Alvaro Ramazzini
Hady Mosquera

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Ernesto Zapata
Mon. Lizardo Estrada
Jose Oscar Henao
Luz Maria Tobon
Cesar Piscoya
Maria del Mar Narvaez

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Francisco Hernandez
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Franchesca Serrano