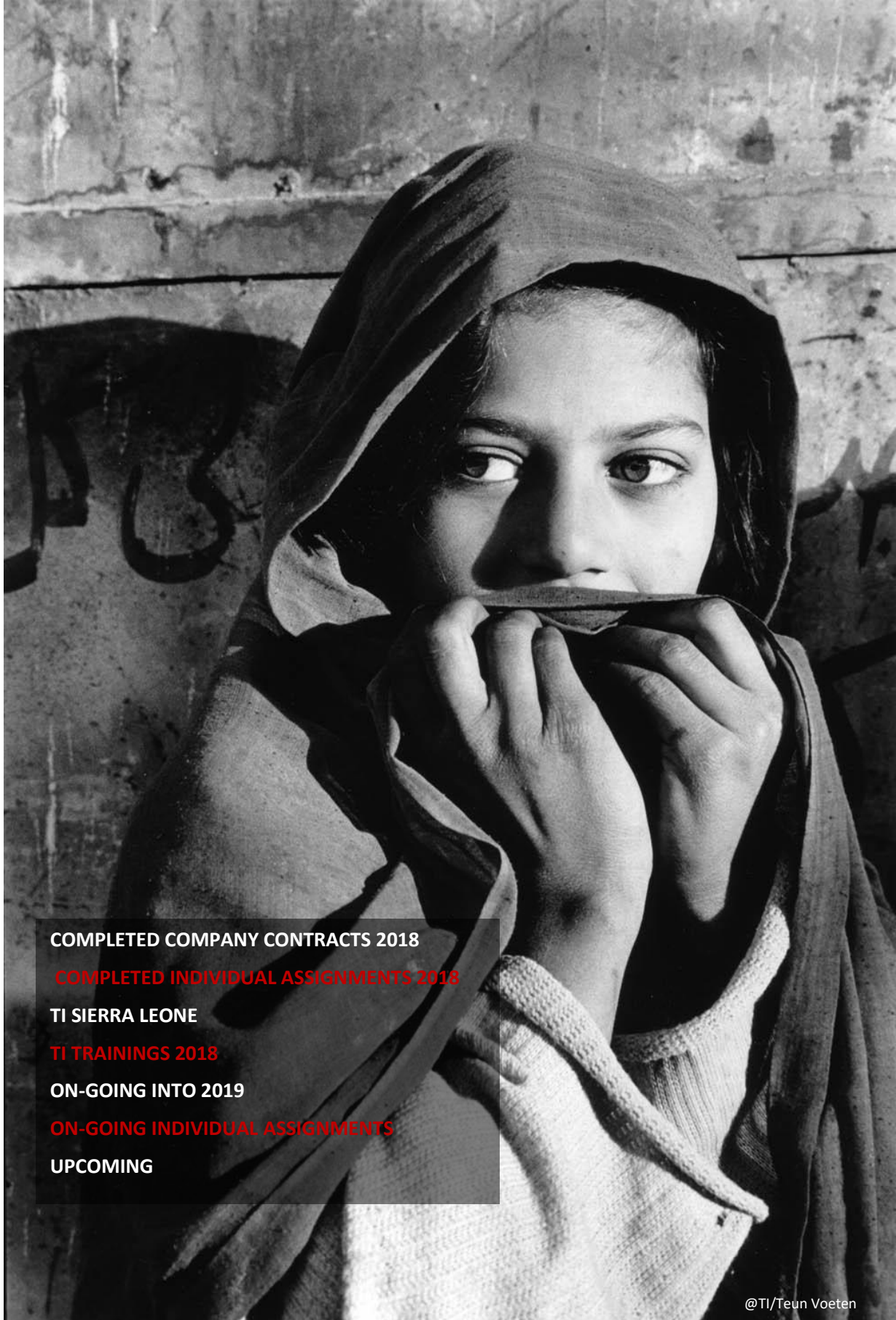


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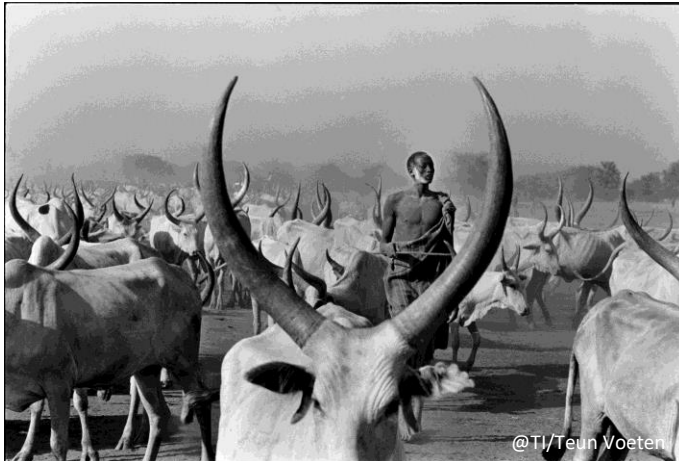
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Our newsletter provides updates to our network of partners, associates, selected clients and friends, about the work that TI has been undertaking in 2018; our plans, as well as information about changes to the organizational structure. From TI-HQ in Landgraaf we would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you who helped to grow TI further, and thereby to extend the influence of the change we are hoping to contribute to.



War Child - Car

TI evaluated and assessed War Child UK's approach to DDR for children in the Central African Republic, the achievements and approach to different aspects to child DDR and the linkages to CVR and adult DDR and a comparative analysis between the War Child approach and other child DDR approaches in CAR and worldwide.

The international consultants involved: Ibrahim Bangura, Julien Daviet and Irma Specht

UNICEF - Jordan

TI produced a comprehensive situation analysis on radicalisation and the association of Jordanian and Syrian adolescents in Jordan, with groups promoting the use of violence.

The international consultants involved: Irma Specht, Habib El Mrabt and Tim Peute

International Alert - DRC

TI conducted a final evaluation of International Alert's Tushiriki Wote project. The evaluation team assessed the impact of the project, including its contribution to strengthening the civic, political and economic empowerment of women in Eastern DRC and the wider Great Lakes region.

The international consultants involved: Mireia Cano, Luisa Dietrich and Klaas Breetvelt

MINUSCA - CAR

TI supported MINUSCA in the development of a national CVR strategy to support stabilisation and improve security and protection of civilians in CAR.

The international consultants involved: Irma Specht, Khaled Ibrahim and Julien Daviet

UNICEF - Sudan

TI designed and conducted an evaluation to assess the extent to which Justice for children system reforms in Sudan during the period 2006-2016 have contributed to the protection of children in contact with law as victims, witnesses and alleged offenders.

The international consultants involved: Irma Specht and Pall Davidsson

UNICEF - Bangladesh

TI designed and implemented a training and capacity development initiative aimed at increasing the capacity of the Child Protection (CP) and Gender-Based Violence (GBV) frontline workers currently responding to the Rohingya crisis in Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh.

The international consultants involved: Fatuma Ibrahim, Luisa Dietrich, Farid Gul and Harriet Adong Awany



Mercy Corps - Jordan

TI designed and undertook research to provide forward-looking analysis and projections informed by careful ethnographic and political analysis to inform the P/CVE community in Jordan. Considering the changing regional context, in particular in Iraq and Syria, and the related possible return of Jordanian fighters, this study analysed (former) fighters' attitudes and perceptions on their situation and their possible return to Jordan. It also examined the reintegration of former fighters into the community, their roles in society, and the relevant policies and strategies in place.

The international consultants involved: Habib El Mrabt, Jeyasheree Nadarajah, Irma Specht, Tim Peute

International Alert - DRC

TI conducted a baseline study of the 'Tujenge Pamoja Kwa Ajili Ya Amani' project (Construisons ensemble pour la paix!) implemented by International Alert and nine local partners in South Kivu, DRC. This baseline study was done through a transversal descriptive study.

The international consultant involved: Jantine Konings

Folke Bernadotte Academy - DRC

TI undertook a detailed mapping in five pilot localities in North Kivu intended to inform future Community-Based Reintegration (CBR) and Community Violence Reduction (CVR) programming. The mapping seeks to identify the main factors that either could, or currently do, facilitate or hinder the reintegration of male and female ex-combatants (XCs), Children Associated with Armed Groups (CAAG) and Women Associated with Armed Groups (WAAG). The mapping identifies potential entry points to successful reintegration, profiles active armed group members, youth at risk of recruitment and reinstalled people; and identifies ways to prevent future (re)recruitment. In total, 1,340 respondents from Biiri, Kibabi, and Matanda in Masisi Territory and the two Goma neighbourhoods of Ndoshu and Bujovu contributed to this mapping.

The international consultants involved: Irma Specht, Luc Lafreniere, Mark van Dorp, Ibrahim Bangura, Gregory Mthembo, Julien Daviet, Elliott Bakker, Gaspard Sumaili, and a subcontract was provided to Peace Direct

EKN - Netherlands

TI was contracted by the Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands in Kigali (Rwanda) to organise and facilitate a conference on land conflicts in Eastern DRC which will be held in Goma in 2019. To coordinate and decide on the content of the conference, a pre-conference was held in Wageningen between the 12th and 17th November 2018. This pre-conference brought together Congolese and European members of the Scientific and Organising Committee.

The international consultant involved: Irma Specht



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Irma Specht

Peace Nexus - Niger

TI supported a local consultant in a study on gender and peacebuilding in Niger, in order to develop a gender strategy for la Haute Autorité à la Consolidation de la Paix (HACP) on how to better mobilise and include women in the consolidation of peace.

Centre for Humanitarian Dialogue - Ukraine

TI produced a scoping paper for the Centre for Humanitarian Dialogue (HD) to assess the prospects of Disarmament, Demobilisation and Reintegration (DDR) in Ukraine. In order to provide a better understanding of DDR prospects in Ukraine TI presented international best practise and guidance on DDR, complemented by interviews with several international and Ukrainian key informants.

The Hague Academy for Local Governance - Netherlands

This year TI developed and delivered 2 modules in the following courses:

- Local Economic Development (LED): a practice-oriented course focuses on strengthening the economic capacity of local and regional communities. The module delivered was "Local Economic and Social Development challenges in least developed countries and post-conflict states".
- Inclusive Service Delivery and the SDGs: the course discusses how different levels of government can cooperate effectively and involve citizens and the private sector to promote pro-poor local service delivery. The module delivered was "Local development planning and inclusive sustainable growth".

FBA course on reintegration for the UN Mission - Colombia

The course aimed at identifying fundamental elements of the Integrated DDR Standards (IDDRS) with emphasis on reintegration, taking into account the UNVMC mandate. The course provided extensive training on community-based reintegration.

Khaled Ibrahim

Insurgency Board Panel of Experts, RAND - USA

Khaled wrote and presented a paper on the "adapted DDR approaches to complex settings: The case of Central African Republic". The presentation took place at the 2019 Insurgency Board Panel of Experts, for RAND.

Luisa Dietrich

Women's Front of Norway/CATW Nordic Model

This external evaluation assignment of Womens Front of Norway/CATW project "combatting trafficking in women for commercial sexual exploitation" was conducted jointly with team lead Mireia Cano on behalf of CANO Gender Solutions. This home-based assignment included remote data collection with Nordic Model initiatives in Colombia, Brazil and South Africa.

Gender in Humanitarian Action - UN Women

This research assignment aimed to develop a methodological research design document centring on means to engender the Grand Bargain. The purpose of this consultancy is to substantially contribute to addressing the paucity of solid evidence-based knowledge on the linkages between localisation, participation, GBV and gender equality and empowerment of women and girls around potentially marginalised groups of women and girls in IDP/refugee crisis Settings in Colombia, Bangladesh, Jordan and Uganda.

Klaas Breetvelt

Follow-up training Gender SSD - VNG International

Developed a workplan for the respective districts based on the basic training conducted in 2017.

Follow-up training Gender Somaliland - VNG International

Worked with implementation of gender policy. Developed gender mainstream plans for districts in Somaliland.

Session on Rural LED - The Hague Academy

One day workshop focused on the rural aspect of economic development.

Pall Davidsson

Baseline assessment on access to justice - Carter Center in Liberia

Pall has been principal investigator for the Carter Center in Liberia. While working for the Carter Center he designed and implemented the first country wide baseline assessment on access to justice, public awareness about citizen rights and duties in the criminal justice system. He also adopted the use of effective means to increase awareness and usage of the formal criminal justice system and the interrelationship between the formal and informal justice systems.

Pre-deployment training to UN peacekeepers - Swedish Armed Forces International Centre

Pall has delivered interactive pre-deployment training to UN peacekeepers in a UN accredited course conducted at the Swedish Armed Forces International Centre. Topics included the legal framework for peacekeeping, protection of civilians, the UN Code of Conduct and the Rule of Law.

Training session on the relationship between human rights and business - Fordham University of School of Law

As an adjunct Professor at Fordham University of School of Law, Pall gave lectures on the relationship between human rights and business. Topics included, globalization, conduct of business in zones of conflict and the international framework for business and human rights.

Aude Le Goff

COOPI - 'Coordinamento' Niger

The project focused on the analyses of the practices conducted by COOPI in the field of Protection in Niger.

Ibrahim Bangura

International Center for Transitional Justice – Ivory Coast

Undertook an extensive study on transitional justice related institutions and mechanisms in Cote d'Ivoire.

Uppsala University - Sierra Leone

Co-lead a research programme on Ex-Combatants and Transitional Justice in Sierra Leone. The research will lead to the publication of an academic article in 2019.

European Union (Multi-Country Mission) - Sierra Leone, Nigeria, Liberia and the Gambia

Monitored a multi-country programme implemented by ECOWAS titled "The Peace, Security and Stability Programme".

European Union/ECOWAS (Multi-Country Mission) - Ethiopia, Sudan and Somalia

Monitored a multi-country programme titled "Facility on Sustainable and Dignified Return and Reintegration in support of the Khartoum Process".

Mano River Union - Liberia

Designed and facilitated a training for female cross border traders, border officials and other stakeholders in the Mano River Basin. Training was done in Ganta, Liberia.

European Union - Somaliland

Monitored the Somaliland Terminating Oppression of Women and Girls Project (STOP) implemented by Health Poverty Action and financed by the EU.

Justice Sector Coordination Office and UNDP

Evaluated the Justice Sector Reform Strategy and Investment Plan (JSRSIP) III and developed both the JSRSIP IV and the Strategy Plan of the Ministry of Justice.

GIZ - Nigeria

Served as a facilitator on the topic "Overcoming Corruption within Police Forces in Africa" during the retreat of the organisation's Police Programme in Africa, the retreat took place in Lagos, Nigeria.

European Union (Multi-Country Mission) - African Union

Monitored the Emergency Response Mechanism II programme implemented by the African Union and Regional Economic Commissions such as the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS), the Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD) and the Common Markets for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA). Did assessments in Ethiopia, Liberia, Gambia and Sierra Leone.



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UNAOC Training - New York

TI conducted a 5-day training course for UNOAC with the intention to strengthen staff capabilities to manage projects along principles of results-based management, fund raising, and writing proposals and donor relations.

The international consultants involved: Jantine Konings, Irma Specht and Koen Toonen

Training on DDR - Folke Bernadotte Academy - Barcelona

This training course occurs bi-annually, where TI delivered the core modules on socio-economic reintegration for the senior/middle-management course on Disarmament, Demobilisation and Reintegration (DDR) in Barcelona. TI participates at this course on a yearly basis.

The international consultant involved: Irma Specht

Joint course on Rule of Law in conflict - Netherlands

This year TI and ThA designed and delivered a new joint course on Conflict, Rule of Law & Local Security which explores how to increase community security in countries or regions where security is weak as a result of past or ongoing violent conflict. Modules delivered by TI: Introduction to the programme & conflict analysis; Role of state actors in stabilisation; Legal frameworks & Transitional Justice in post-conflict settings; Justice & Stabilisation; Security sector reform & strengthening security sector actors; tools for enhancing Community Security; Economic initiatives for stabilisation & reintegration of radicalised youth; full day simulation exercise on CVR.

The international consultants involved: Pall Davidsson, Irma Specht and Jan-Jilles van der Hoeven

Advanced Training Course on (Re)Integration for Practitioners - Barcelona

This yearly course aimed to bring together senior and mid-level practitioners, policy makers, researchers and donors from around the world to share experiences and develop a common understanding of possible and innovative approaches to (re)integration. Best practice on economic, political and social (re)integration are shared by a pool of experienced trainers, and further explored and challenged by the participants.

The international consultants involved: Irma Specht, Julien Daviet, Jan-Jilles van der Hoeven, Luisa Dietrich, Patrick Loots, Fatuma Ibrahim, Habib El Mrabt, Ibrahim Bangura, Khaled Ibrahim, Luc Lafreniere, Luca Azzoni and Jon McCourt

Exercise Viking 18 - Folke Bernadotte Academy

The aim of Viking 18 was to train and educate participants - civilian, military and police - to meet the challenges of current and future multidimensional crisis response and peace operations. This includes planning and conducting a UN mandated Chapter VII peace operation in an unstable environment, based on a comprehensive approach and focusing on co-operation and co-ordination between all relevant actors.

The international consultant involved: Venetia Paiz-Meniro

Training on reintegration of ex-combatants & violent extremists - Naval post graduate School - Monterrey, USA

TI co-designed and delivered, for the third year, the course on Reintegration of Ex-Combatants & Violent Extremists held by the US Naval Postgraduate School in Monterrey, California.

The international consultant involved: Irma Specht



UNICEF - Iraq

Following a country-wide assessment of push and pull factors of child association with armed groups and forces in Iraq and the development of a strategy for the reintegration of children and young people associated with armed actors, TI is currently contracted to undertake the following assignments for UNICEF Iraq: i) to set up and prepare for the implementation of Community Based Reintegration and Security (CBRS) models in the pilot locations of Karbala and Najaf, as well as provide follow-up guidance and mentoring; ii) to develop and support rehabilitation activities and interventions for children and young people who have played an active role in IS or are accused of affiliation with the group and are in detention; iii) to support the provision of rehabilitation and reintegration support to children and young people who have been rescued from captivity by IS, mainly focusing on the Yazidi community; iv) and to strengthen prevention efforts in Halabja governorate, Iraq.

The international consultants involved: Irma Specht, Habib El Mrabt, Pall Davidsson, Fatuma Ibrahim, Hanafi Alkhalifa and Tim Peute

Save the Children - Venezuela & Colombia

TI is contracted to conduct a research that identifies and analyses key trends, current dynamics and likely evolutions (with a one-year outlook) of the migrant crisis in Latin America, originated from Venezuela and impacting Colombia and other neighbouring countries.

The international consultants involved: Luisa Dietrich and Fatuma Ibrahim

OXFAM - South Sudan

TI is conducting a research with the objective of enhancing the understanding of what 'toxic masculinity' means, how it is perpetuated in Pibor, South Sudan, while exploring the localised root causes of toxic or harmful masculinities that perpetuate the prevalence of GBV. Furthermore, it aims to deepen the understanding on the contextual analysis on the cause and effect-aspects of harmful masculinities that fuel GBV, strengthen the evidence-base in order to reduce prevalence of GBV cases by engaging men in awareness-raising session and community dialogues.

The international consultants involved: Harriet Adong Awany and Luisa Dietrich

EKN - Rwanda

One-year contract to design innovative measures to facilitate peer monitoring of three large consortia working on stabilisation and peacebuilding through investment in access to water, markets, land and food security. The programmes cover DRC and Rwanda and TI designed the tools and have so far organised 2 peer-monitoring field visits.

The international consultants involved: Luc Lafreniere and Irma Specht

EKN - DRC

TI is contracted by the EKN in Kigali (Rwanda) to organise and facilitate a conference on land conflicts in Eastern DRC. An expected 150 high level experts and actors will meet to take stock and analyse the wide range of land conflicts, evaluate current interventions and identify gaps and needs for comprehensively addressing land related issues. The conference is planned by three committees consisting of high-level stakeholders such as academics from the DRC, Netherlands and Belgium. TI facilitates the work of these committees and will facilitate and take on the logistical organisation of the conference in Goma in 2019.

The international consultant involved: Irma Specht

EKN - Rwanda

Ongoing three years external monitoring contract for the Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands (EKN) in Rwanda's programme on peace and stabilisation in eastern DRC. The consortium of IOM, Cordaid, PAX VNG-International are implementing the Consortium for Integrated Stabilization and Peace in Eastern DRC (CISPE) project, which TI is monitoring and supporting on behalf of the EKN.

The international consultants involved: Luc Lafreniere and Irma Specht

VNG - DRC

The programme CISPE has entered its third and final year of implementation. TI was contracted to support the development of the CISPE Exit Strategy, building on the achievements and results of CISPE.

The international consultants involved: Luc Lafreniere and Irma Specht

Development of a Global Veteran Peace Training Initiative

We are delighted to announce that the Dutch Nationaal Fonds voor Vrede, Vrijheid en Veteranenzorg (Vfonds), a long-term partner of the Worlds Veterans Federation (WVF), has agreed to fund the Pilot Project of the Global Veteran Peace Training Initiative (VPT), designed by WVF in collaboration with TI. The programme aim to provide training and coaching in 10 countries. The pilot initiative will be a two weeks ToT to create a pool of trainers for the 10 countries and will design 10 country programmes. The ToT is open for registration.





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Irma Specht

UNDP - Syria

Conduct research on how Syrian returnees, IDPs as well as refugees, can be reintegrated in their place of origin, especially focusing on aspects of community security, livelihoods and social factors. Following the research, Irma will produce an analytical report on the conditions inside the country with a specific focus on the governorates where returns are to be expected. It will include recommendations of action for UNDP and other UN agencies on integrating conflict sensitivity in its work. It is envisaged that the analytical report will be one of thematic assessment reports covering nationwide issues in Syria.



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Mid-level Community Based (Re)integration and Security course

The Barcelona International Peace Centre (BIPC) and TI are pleased to announce the mid-level Community Based (Re)integration and Security (CBRS) course for practitioners, focusing on community based (re)integration and security of ex-combatants, returnees, refugees, internally displaced persons, women and children released from armed forces and groups and other youth at risk. This course aims to bring together mid-level practitioners, policy makers, researchers and donors from around the world to share experiences and develop a common understanding of possible and innovative approaches to (re)integration and improving community security. Best practice is shared by a pool of experienced trainers, and further explored and challenged by the participants.

The course is to be held in Barcelona, Spain, from the 7th to the 14th July 2019 and it is open for registration: <https://www.transitioninternational.com/ti/reintegration-training-course/>

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