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The Global Partnership for the Prevention of Armed Conflict (GPPAC) is a member-led network of civil society organisations working on conflict prevention and peacebuilding around the world. Our mission is to promote a global shift from solely reacting to conflicts to preventing them from turning violent. We bring together different actors - civil society, decision makers, academia and media - to find peaceful solutions to conflict.

## GPPAC at a glance:

- **14** years of conflict prevention & peacebuilding
- **15** regions covering the entire globe
- **200+** members
- 20+ gender experts worldwide
- Global expert working groups
- A UN Liaison office in New York

## Our **expertise** includes:

- Conflict analysis
- Dialogue and mediation
- Peace & conflict resolution education
- Gender-sensitive approaches
- Civil-military-police coordination for human security

Our members reflect the **diversity of civil society**, including activists, grassroots organisations, regional networks, academics, and think tanks. GPPAC brings together the experience of all these organisations making a more united civil society, while supporting local ownership.

## **GPPAC's approach**

**GPPAC informs policy** by connecting civil society with key decision makers at the national, regional and global level. As a network of peacebuilders, we analyse conflicts from a human security perspective, we build knowledge and develop collaborative mechanisms to prevent violent conflict.

**GPPAC enables collaboration** between civil society organisations and with other actors to analyse trends and improve longterm peacebuilding strategies to foster joint action. We support organisations based in conflictaffected countries, and in politically sensitive contexts where official channels of communication and interaction are limited or absent. We enable collaborative projects that aim to prevent conflict and build sustainable peace. **GPPAC improves practice** through learning exchanges on conflict prevention, involving civilsociety practitioners, state institutions, UN representatives, regional organisations and other key actors. We document lessons learned, develop resources and support trainings, highlighting the role of civil society in topics such as:

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## What we do

**Since 2003, GPPAC has been bringing** the voices of local peacebuilders to the UN Peacebuilding Commission. We work to make the commission more inclusive and transparent and lobby for its engagement in preventive peacebuilding activities.

**GPPAC has created** a community of practice on regional organisations and civil society cooperation for conflict prevention. It brings together representatives from twelve regional organisations, the UN and civil society and promotes policy dialogues at the global and regional levels.

**GPPAC's 25 Gender Focal Points** advise the network and advocate on gender-sensitive conflict prevention.

## **Our Regional Secretariats**

**Eastern & Central Africa** Center for Conflict Resolution (CECORE) www.cecore.or.ug

Southern Africa Ecumenical Church Leaders Forum (ECLF) www.eclfz.org

West Africa West Africa Network for Peacebuilding (WANEP) www.wanep.org

## Latin America and the Caribbean

Regional Coordination for Economic and Social Research (CRIES) www.cries.org

## **North America**

Alliance for Peacebuilding (AfP) www.allianceforpeacebuilding.org

#### South Asia

Regional Centre for Strategic Studies (RCSS) www.rcss.org

#### The Pacific femLINKpacific

www.femlinkpacific.org.fj

## Southeast Asia

Initiatives for International Dialogue (IID) www.iidnet.org **GPPAC co-convenes** the new UN-Civil Society Dialogue Platform on Prevention that brings together UN and civil society actors to discuss how to better cooperate on prevention.

**GPPAC produces tools** to facilitate conflict prevention, including a manual on Multi-Stakeholder Processes for Conflict Prevention and Peacebuilding, a Field Guide for Conflict Analysis, a Human Security Handbook and a set of case studies to improve civil-militarypolice coordination for human security.

**GPPAC develops** the capacity of CSOs to engage with regional organisations and the UN, supporting them strategically in carrying out their advocacy efforts.

## Northeast Asia Peace Boat

www.peaceboat.org

### **Central Asia**

Foundation for Tolerance International (FTI) www.fti.org.kg

## Middle East & North Africa

Permanent Peace Movement (PPM) www.ppm-lebanon.org

## Eastern Europe

Nonviolence International www.nonviolenceinternational.net www.peaceportal.org/web/east-europe-gppac

#### Caucasus

International Center on Conflict & Negotiation (ICCN) www.iccn.ge

#### **Western Balkans**

Nansen Dialogue Centre Montenegro (NDC-MN) www.nansen-dialogue.net

#### Europe

GPPAC Global Secretariat www.gppac.net