

SUMMER SCHOOL

July 24 - 28, 2023

SOCIAL AND COMMUNITY CONFLICT MANAGEMENT AND TRANSFORMATION



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The main goal of the Summer workshops is to build capacities for the analysis of social conflicts, as well as for the development of conflict transformation strategies (resolution) and conflict management through dialogue, collaborative negotiation, mediation, and development of participatory processes through theoretical and practical sessions that allow interaction, case analysis and theoretical reflection on conflict management.

WHO IS IT FOR?

- Volunteers and staff members of grassroots social projects, organizations, NGOs, civil associations, foundations, and social responsibility projects.
- Social workers, activists, and social leaders who wish to learn tools for conflict resolution/transformation.
- Students, interns and people interested in social work.
- Volunteers, or ex-volunteers, of Aldeas de Paz Foundation (Peace Villages International).

SESSION 1: SOCIO-ENVIRONMENTAL CONFLICTS. THEORY AND REAL LIFE

Goal: To understand the origin of social and territorial conflicts, their manifestations and the strategies for approach and study.

Time: 5 hours

Activities: Video analysis, role game, and theory.

Syllabus: 1) Conflict types 2) Conflict and its role in communities 3) Conflict theory and decision-making 4) The third side

SESSION 2: EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION AND CONFLICT MANAGEMENT

Goal: To learn the characteristics of communication within social conflicts.

Time: 5 hours

Activities: Video analysis, role game, case study, and theory.

Syllabus: 1) Introduction to dialogue and communication in conflicts 2) Active listening and assertive expression 3) Communication basics 4) Case study



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SESSION 3: NEGOTIATION AND COMMUNITY MEDIATION

Goal: To learn negotiation and mediation basics at community level, as well as to develop the basic tools in the participants so that they can conduct negotiation and mediation processes.

Time: 5 hours

Activities: Video analysis, 2 role games, and theory.

Syllabus: 1) Theories on conflict transformation 2) Negotiations and mediations examples 3) Collaborative negotiation and mediation theory 4) Collaborative negotiation (Practical activity)

SESSION 4: "DO NO HARM" AND CONFLICT PREVENTION IN SOCIAL IMPACT PROJECTS DEVELOPMENT

Goal: To know the basic notions about conflict prevention at community level, to train students in a conflict analysis tool and to teach the basics for project development with social impact and a conflict prevention approach.

Time: 5 hours

Activities: Video analysis, case study, and theory.

Syllabus: 1) Theory on conflict prevention 2) "Do No Harm" and conflict transformation 3) Development of projects with social impact 4) Practical activity

SESSION 5: STRATEGIES DESIGN FOR WORKING WITH COMMUNITIES / GRASSROOTS GROUPS / EJIDOS / COOPERATIVES

Goal: Workshop final session. To write a summary of the knowledge and tools discussed for social work with a conflict prevention approach.

Time: 5 hours

Activities: Discussion with workshops participants on possible work cases and development of a final toolbox for case by case application.



INSTRUCTOR

ADRIAN HERNANDEZ SANTISTEBAN, PHD

Geographer and sociologist focused on peace culture promotion, the study, management and management of social conflicts, and the analysis of conflict and social impact of infrastructure projects. He has experience as a mediator and conflict analyst and has participated in community projects in more than 40 locations both within Latin America and Southern Africa. Doctor in Sociology from the University of Zagreb and doctor in Cultural and Social Studies of Mesoamerica and the Caribbean from the Autonomous University of the State of Quintana Roo.

MODALITIES AND LOGISTICS

According to the number of people enrolled, the summer course will be opened under the following modalities:

1. At least one **face-to-face group** will be opened in Spanish and will take place in Mexico City from July 24 to 28, 2023.
2. In case more than 14 participants enroll, a second group will be opened. Participants will be able to decide which week/time suits them better.
3. In the event that at least six people prefer the course in English, a group will be held only in this language.
4. It is possible to participate virtually/remotely in a session or all of them (we will have a camera and microphone available to help live transmission). However, the level of interaction may not be the same in group activities and case study reviews . If at least four people wish to participate only remotely, a formal online group will be opened that can be held in a week time lapse or during weekends in the months of July and August.
5. "Transformación de Conflictos Socioambientales, A.C" can organized a maximum of 4 groups during the Summer, either in face-to-face/virtual modalities or in Spanish/English.



BUDGET

PRICE

Price per person: \$ 9.000 MXN (Mexican pesos, VAT Included)

For grassroot NGOs and local organizations members with limited resources, Aldeas de Paz will cover part of the expenses and will offer a preferential price of \$5,000 MXN. To request this benefit, please write an email to cecilia@mx.aldeasdepaz.org and attach a motivation letter.

ENROLLMENT

Please send an email with your full name, place of origin, modality preference, and an introduction paragraph to info@mx.aldeasdepaz.org by **May 30, 2023** at the latest. Once registration is completed, the number of groups to be open will be determined, as well as the available dates and modalities. Applicants will be reached with further information and will be asked to proceed to payment to formalize their registration.

ACCOMMODATION (IF REQUIRED)

There are some low-cost accommodation options in Mexico City close to the site where the workshop will be held. If required, for more information please call (+52)-551379-7108 (or WhatsApp).

