The University of Oslo, the Norwegian National Commission for UNESCO, Norad - Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation and the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs welcome you to a two-day meeting on

**Education and Conflict**

including the Norwegian launch of the 2011 Global Monitoring Report: *The Hidden Crisis: Armed conflict and education*

and panel discussions on pertinent themes related to education and conflict

**Thursday 17 March 2011**

Einar Gerhardsens plass 1, 0179 Oslo, Building R4

**Friday 18 March 2011**

Akersgt. 59, 0180 Oslo, Building R5 (the Auditorium)

A light lunch and coffee will be served both days.
There is no cover charge for this meeting.

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**The 2011 Global Monitoring Report**

The Education for All Global Monitoring Report is the prime instrument to assess global progress towards Education for All. Developed by an independent team and published by UNESCO, the report aims to inform, influence and sustain genuine commitment. The 2011 report examines the damaging consequences of conflict for education. It sets out an agenda for protecting the right to education during conflict, youth and adults affected by conflict, and rebuilding education systems. The report also explores the role of inappropriate education policies in creating conditions for violent conflict.
Session 1  
09.30 - 11.30
Launch of the Education for All Global Monitoring Report 2011
Chair: Gerd-Hanne Fosen, Secretary-General, Norwegian National Commission for UNESCO
- Respondents: Sylvi Annie Bratten, Political Advisor for the Norwegian Minister of Education; Tove Wang, Director, Save the Children Norway; Alan Smith, Professor, University of Ulster
- Discussion, followed by light lunch

Session 2  
12.15 - 13.45
Challenges and opportunities in knowledge building on education and conflict
Chair: Ragnhild Dybdahl, Director of Education and Research, Norad, and member of the Norwegian National Commission for UNESCO
- Opening remarks, Lene Buchert, Professor, University of Oslo
- The relationship between education and conflict: what does the evidence say? Gudrun Østby, Researcher, Centre for the Study of Civil War (CSCW), Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO)
- Data challenges in conflict-affected countries, Patrick Montjourides, Assistant Programme Specialist, EFA Global Monitoring Report
- Research agenda for education and conflict, Mario Novelli, Senior Lecturer, Centre for International Education, University of Sussex
- Discussion, followed by coffee break

Session 3  
14.15 - 17.00
The impact of conflict on education: the perspectives of teachers
Chair: Ellen Lange, Senior Advisor, Norwegian Ministry of Education and Research
- The situation for teachers in Bolivia, Mieke Lopes Cardozo, PhD Candidate, University of Amsterdam
- Schools in the crossfire (Nepal), documentary film by Dhruba Basnet
- Comments on Schools in the crossfire by Masters students in education at the University of Oslo: Marijana Kelentric (Croatia), Dawn Heskestad (South Africa) and Abraham Yeshalem (Ethiopia)
- Discussion

Session 4  
09.00 - 10.30
Education’s role during conflict: perspectives from South Asia
Chair: Pia Karlsson, Guest Lecturer/Programme Coordinator, Karlstad University
- Madaris in Pakistan: myth and reality, Kees van den Bosch, Independent Consultant
- Madaris in Afghanistan and transnational linkages, Kaja Borchgrevink, Research Fellow, Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO)
- Education in Afghanistan: Islam, the State and Girls, Amir Mansory, Guest Lecturer/Programme Coordinator, Karlstad University
- Discussion, followed by light lunch

Session 5  
11.00 - 13.00
Education’s role during conflict and post conflict: perspectives from Sub-Saharan Africa
Chair: Helge Brochmann, Senior Advisor, Norwegian Refugee Council
- Education as a cause of peace and conflict: the case of Sudan, Anders Breidid, Professor, Oslo University College
- Multicultural education for sustainable peace in Southern Sudan, Christine Eijno Oyenak, PhD candidate, Oslo University College/University of Oslo
- Girls’ education in post conflict Southern Sudan and South Africa, Halla Bjørk Holmarsdottir, Associate Professor, Oslo University College
- Discussion, followed by coffee break

Session 6  
13.45 - 15.00
Concluding panel: What have we learnt, where do we go from here?
Chair: Lene Buchert, Professor, University of Oslo
- Perspectives on Education and Conflict, Lori Heninger, Director, Inter-Agency Network for Education in Emergencies
- Johan K. Meyer, Department for UN, Peace and Humanitarian Affairs, Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- Toril Brekke, Director International Programme, Norwegian Refugee Council
- Alan Smith, Professor, University of Ulster
- Discussion and closing