Preliminary Operational and Financial Results 2012

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Summary

The Geneva Peacebuilding Platform is a joint project of four institutions: The Centre on Conflict, Development and Peacebuilding (CCDP) of the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies; the Geneva Centre for Security Policy (GCSP); Interpeace; and the Quaker United Nations Office, Geneva (QUNO). This report summarises the achievements of the Geneva Peacebuilding Platform in 2012 with regards to the three strategic goals of the Platform’s 2012-2014 Programme.¹

Goal 1: Strengthen the networking of peacebuilding resources in Geneva and worldwide

- 20 events in Geneva, New York, Washington D.C. and Brussels involving partnerships with 23 organizations, and a whole series of public and informal event formats;
- Mechanics to convene across institutions and sectors are fully operational;
- Creation of a new database and increase of contacts from 636 to 2300, and comprehensive expansion and refinement of the website http://www.gpplatform.ch.

Goal 2: Advance new knowledge and practice in five focus themes

- Launch of the 2012-2014 Programme with a focus on the work stream on “Peacebuilding and prevention” and “Peacebuilding, peacemaking, and political transitions”, and the initiation of the work stream on “Monitoring, evaluation and learning in peacebuilding”.
- Catalytic efforts towards an action framework on business and peacebuilding including 3 retreats, consultations in Geneva and London and creation of a new cross-sectorial network;
- Production of 6 Platform Briefs and 3 Platform Papers.

Goal 3: Diversify funding sources

- Ensured core funding of CHF 125,000 from the Swiss Federal Department of Foreign Affairs, the Geneva Centre for Security Policy (GCSP), and Interpeace.
- New contracts signed worth CHF 90,000 with seven new partners, including the Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung (FES), United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), the Food and Agricultural Organisation (FAO), the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA), the PeaceNexus Foundation, the Permanent Mission of Canada, and the Permanent Mission of the USA.
- Receipt of a 7-month human resource subsidy by a federal work promotion programme (SYNI) equivalent to CHF 21,000.