

SIRC Updated 2017

Somali International Rehabilitation Centre, SIRC, is a non-profit organization focusing on development and peace projects in the Horn of Africa.

SIRC's mission is to undertake research, trainings and action focused on facilitating the reconstruction and rehabilitation of vital institutions in Somalia to improve the standard of living of the Somali people as well as promoting peace, democratic governance, rule of law, respect for human rights, gender equality, empowerment of women, youth and minority groups, civil society organisations, protection of environment, regional cooperation and development in the Horn of Africa region.

SIRC uses the Logical Framework Approach (LFA) method as an instrument to improve project planning and project reviews for activities that respond to the needs of the ground.

From 2011, SIRC has been implementing series of training workshops (capacity building) with different important themes for civil society organizations in Somaliland, Puntland and South- Central Somalia through its local partners in Hargeisa and Mogadishu in order to strengthen their capacity in promoting peace, security, democratic governance and respect for human rights, gender equality and development for the communities in which they operate in. These projects were funded by Forum Syd/Sida and Folke Bernadotte Academy of Sweden as well as contributed to these projects by United Nations Political Office for Somalia (UNPOS).

It has also implemented food security projects for small scale farmers from 2003-2007 in Shabelle region as well as a food security project for marginalized fishing communities in Shabelle region in 2015 implemented by SIRC local partner in Mogadishu, Somalia and funded by Forum Syd/Sida.

SIRC has on going capacity building training project 2016-2017 for marginalized groups in six regions of Somaliland implementing by SIRC local partner in Hargeisa, Somaliland.

Because of SIRC initiative of promoting rebuilding Somali National University in Mogadishu, Somalia, Somali Transitional Government of Somalia headed by President Abdiqaasim Salad Hassan and University of Lund signed in 2002 **Memorandum Of Understanding (MOU) related to rebuilding academic system of Somali National University** which had 12 faculties, more than 800 teachers, provision of free education for almost 5000 students per year before the collapse of Somali State in 1991: President Abdiqasim expressed how he was profoundly thankful to Lund University of Sweden for its willingness to support Somalia after signing Memorandum of Understanding between Somali Transitional Government and Lund University in 2002.. This MOU still stands.

Since 2002, SIRC has been promoting a greater understanding among the peoples in the Horn of Africa countries through annual international conferences, seminars, panel debates, workshops on peace-building, promotion of peace and reconciliation, democratic governance, rule of law, human rights, empowerment of women and gender equality, as well as protection of environment and economic development and cooperation in the region funded by Swedish Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Folke Bernadotte Academy and Forum Syd/Sida, University of Lund, City of Lund, ABF, Folkuniversitetet, Olof Palm International Center, UNDP/Somalia, and EU.

SIRC plan according its new five year strategic plan, is to further these efforts in near future and in the long run that is to carry out capacity building training projects for Horn of Africa civil society organisations in the Horn of Africa region. **Horn of Africa conferences reports can be found from this website: www.sirclund.se**

SIRC role is to facilitate the transfer of knowledge and technology between the international community and Horn of Africa region. We work closely with local stakeholders and relevant experts in the fields of peace-building, democratic governance, rule of law, human rights, empowerment of women, gender equality, youth, minority groups, CSOs and, as well as protection of environment and economic development cooperation in the region. Together we identify the needs and objectives, design a project plan, and raise funds.

Projects' Gallery

GALLERY FROM PEACE-BUILDING EVENTS AND DEVELOPMENT PROEJCTS

In 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, SIRC and its partners strictly guided by the principles of neutrality arranged 12 successful Horn of Africa peace conferences in Lund. The conferences offered a dialogue among international scholars, practitioners, Horn of Africa governments representatives, representatives from UN, EU, IGAD, and CSOs on development of peace & reconciliation, post-conflict peace building, regional cooperation instead of wars & destruction, culture of peace, good governance, democracy, human rights, and on Faith, Citizenship, Democracy and Peace, Role of environment in peace, The Role of Democratic governance VS Sectarian Politics in Somalia, Role of Women in Promoting Peace and Development in the Horn of Africa region, Horn of Africa Peace and security, conflict for resources in the Horn of Africa . The conferences also addressed the deep-rooted causes that often underlie the immediate symptoms of the regional conflicts. in every occasion, The conferences brought together a great number of participants among others scholars from Africa, Europe, United States, as well as from international NGOs, government representatives, politicians, journalists, United Nations agencies, European Commission, European Parliament, Inter-Governmental Authority on Development (IGAD), African Union and university students. The conferences reinforce their role as a forum for various participants to discuss hot issues in the Horn of Africa. Here is SIRC gallery showing pictures of Horn of Africa conferences available the events from 2004, as well as pictures from food security projects and capacity training workshops from 2003:



Late Mayor of Lund Hon. Larry Andow delivering speech 2004



Abdillahi Jama, SIRC projects and Conferences Coordinator



Late Larry Andow, Mayor City of Lund, making opening remarks



Ambassador Count Pietersen, Chairman for the Horn of Africa Conferences



Inger Björk, Forum Syd General Secretary addressing the conference 2004 & Nicklas Svensson, Chairing conference



**Prof. Abdi Ismail Samatar
Minnesota University 2004**



**Prof. Janis Grobbelaar & Prof. Gandhi from
Pretoria University, Mesanco University 2004**



**Dr. Martin Hill
Amnesty International 2004**



**Dr. Salax Al Bander
Oxford University 2004**



Somali delegation led by Parliament Speaker Sharif Hassan



Lars Ronnås, Africa Department Director UD, Sweden



Dr. Wuyi Omitoogun, Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI) at 2005 Horn of Africa conference in Lund



H. E. Sharif Hassan Shiekh Aden, Somali Transitional Federal Parliament Speaker, Horn of Africa conference in Lund Sweden



Johanna Leander, Programme Officer, Olof Palme International Center 2005 Conference in Lund



Prof. Maxi Schoeman, Pretoria University, South Africa 2005



Prof. Christopher Clapham, Cambridge University 2005



**H. E. Morgan Johansson, Minister for Public Health & Social Services
At 2005 Conference in Lund**



**H. E. Dr Al Sadig Al Mahdi, former Prime Minister of Sudan &
President of Umma Party at 2005 Conference in Lund**



Prof. Janis Grobbelaar, Pretoria University, South Africa, 2005



Prof. Abdi Ismail Samatar, Minnesota University USA 2005



H. E. Sharif Hassan Sheikh Aden & delegation at 2005 Conference in Lund



Workshop 2 of the conference 2005 led Prof. Maxi Shoeman Workshop 4 of the conference 2005 led Prof. Ole Elgström, Lund University



Workshop 1 of the conference 2005

Workshop 3 of the conference 2005 led Prof. Janis Grobbelaar



Lund University Dr. Christian Webersik, Columbia University, USA presents research paper

Prof. Bertram Ramcharam, Former UN High Commissioner of Human Rights, 2005 Conference in Lund



Dr. Omar Alasow, University of Essex, UK

Saif Omar, Horn of Africa Programme Officer, Forum Syd, 2005



Reporters of the workshops from left PhD Candidate Abdullahi Elmi, Dr. Kontie Moussa, Conference Chairman Ambassador Count Pietersen, Prof. Maxi Shoeman, Dr. Diya Awadi, and last person in the row Co-chair of the conference Bethlehan Araya



Prof. Ole Elgröm, Lund University, making closing remarks of the Horn of Africa Conference 2005 in Lund, Sweden



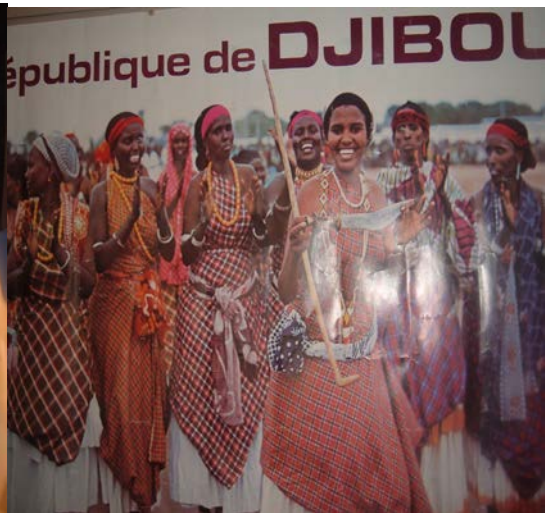
Eritrean Youth culture from Oslo evening show 2005 Conference of Africa conference 2005 in Lund, Sweden



Swedish Folkdance Group from Lund, evening show at the Horn



Eritrean Youth Culture group from Norway, 2005



Djibouti Culture Exhibition in Lund 2005



Djibouti Culture Exhibition 2005





Sudanese Culture Exhibition 2005



Somali Culture Exhibition 2005 in Lund

Social gathering during Horn of Africa conference 2005 conference



Late Mayor City of Lund Larry Andow welcoming guests to reception From left Somali delegation led by Parliament Speaker Sharif Hassan

with Major Larry Andow and Prof. Christopher Clapham at 2005 conference in Lund, Sweden



From left Dr. Omar Alasow, Dr. Martin Hill, late Mayor Larry Andow, Sharif Hassan, Dr. Sadig Al mahdi, Minister Abdirahman Ibbi, Member of Parliament Abdi'assis, Member of Parliament Abdifatah at the reception.



From left Prof. Ferrow Embaie & Eritrean Counsellor Yonas Mana Ambassador Count with the late Mayor Hon. Larry Andow



Somali delegation led H. E. Sharif Hassan

H. E. Sharif Hassan with other conference guests



Dinner for guests by SIRC Restuarant Kulturen 2005



Prof. Benny Carlsson, Lund University 2006



Mr. Nicklas Svensson, Introduction



Mayor City Lund Annika Anneby Jansson, opening remarks



Ambassador Marika Fahlen, Especial Envoy for Horn of Africa, Swedish Ministry for Foreign Affairs, opening session , 2007



Dr. Jeremy Lester, EU Commission Representative



Conference participants 2007



Conference participants 2007

Dr. Jonas Alberoth , Acting General Director Folke Bernadotte Academy 2007



From left, EU Representative Dr. Jeremy Lester, Ambassador Marika Fahlem, UD, Dr. Jonas, Folke Bernadotte Academy, Engineer Ishael Sironey, Cochairing Conference 2007

From right Prof. Janis Grobbelaar presenting her paper with chairing committee Ishael, Count, Bethlehem, Hannan, 2007



Conference workshop participated among others by Kenyan Ambassador
H. E. Ms Purity W. Muhindi, 2007



Conference workshop 2007



Workshop participants among others Mr. Dina Mufti, Ethiopian Ambassador and Mr Moses M. Akol, Sudanese Ambassador 2007

Conference workshop 2007



Conference participants 2007



Conference participants 2007



Sudanese lunch for conference participants 2007



Question time to the speakers, 2007



- Panel debate on current Horn of Africa issues participated by Sudanese Ambassador, Ethiopian Ambassador H. E. Dina Mufti, Kenyan Ambassador H. E. Moses M. Akol, Kenyan Ambassador H. E. Ms Purity W. Muhindi, Eritrean Charge di Affairs Mr. Yonas

Manna , Dr. Abdullahi Osman El-Tom National University of Ireland , Dr. Zakaria Mohamud Abdi Somali Opposition Alliance in Asmara, Mr. Abdi-Asis Mohamud Mohamed, Presidential Envoy, Somali Transitional Federal Government. The panel debate was moderated Prof. Ole Elgström Department of Political Science, Lund University. 2007



Audience of the conference debate participants 2007



Audience of the conference debate participants 2007



Conference debate 2007



Conference debate 2007



Dinner for the guests 2007



Dinner for the guests 2007



Dinner for the guests 2007



Dinner for the guests with Mayor city of Minnesota USA 2007



Dinner for the conference guests 2007

Dinner for the conference guests 2007

17-19 October 2008 Horn of Africa Conference in Lund



Left, **Ambassador Marika Fahlen**, Special Envoy for Horn of Africa Swedish ministry for Foreign Affairs, 2008 **Ambassador David Shinn**, Professor George Washington University, USA 2008



Horn Africa Conference October 2008

Horn of Africa Conference October 2008



Mr. Jeremy Lester, EU Head of the Regions of the Horn of Africa, **Mr. Magnus**, Head Sida Country Team for Somalia & Sudan Eastern Africa and Indian Ocean Department, Brussels, Belgium, 2008 Horn conference in Lund



Dr. Abdullahi El-Tom, Senior lecturer, National University of Ireland **Prof. Janis Grobbelaar**, Head Department of Sociology Pretoria University, South Africa
2 008 Horn conference



Mrs Fowsia Abdulkadir, Human Rights Activist, Canada
2008

Dr. Sheikh Abdirahman Mohamud Farah Janaqow,
ARS Central Committee Secretary Genral, 2008



Debate on the Horn of Africa, participated by scholars and diplomats, 2008



Dr. Bjørn Møller, Danish Institute for International Studies, Moderator of debate & **H. E. Ahmed Abdisalam** Somali Deputy Prime Minister, 2008



Honourable Tranje Danielsson, Vice Mayor City of Lund, 2008



Horn of Africa conference 2008 discussion chaired by Ambassador Count Pietersen



Horn of Africa conference 2008



Horn of Africa conference 2008



Horn of Africa conference 2008



Horn of Africa conference 2008



Mr. Walid Muse, Deputy Head UN Political Office for Somalia (UNPOS) making speech at Horn of Africa Conference in Lund, Sweden October 2008



Horn of Africa conference 2008





Ambassador Marika UD, Mr. Jeremy EU & other guests



Reception made by Mayor City of Lund, for the conference guests, 2008



Social gathering at the conference Liban, Dr. Hodan Isse, Fousiya Abdulkadir 2008



Hon. Tranje Danielsson Vice Mayor City of Lund



Prof. Håkan Wiberg, University of Copenhagen, Demark 2008



2008 reception conference participant



Prof. Janes Grobbelar, Liban, Prof. Maxi Schuman, Jama 2008



Conference staff, Ayaan, Fadumo and Suado 2008



SIRC 2009 Horn of Africa conference



Conference Coordinators 2009 Jama & Count Pietersen 2009 EU Jeremy Lester 2009 Minister Buri TFG 2009



Nikolaj Bock EEA Lund Vice Mayor H. E. Marika Joe Frans H. E. Mufti H. E. Akol H. E. Manna



Dr. Barron 2009 SEI Dr. Markus IDEA Mr. Johan Sida Siriam UNDP Prof. Vestal, USA



2009 conference

2009 conference



Prof. Gairm Kibreab Minister Burci TFG Director Fatima Jibril Dr. Zoltan UN Prof. Ardeberg Lars Lund University

SIRC 2009 Horn of Africa conference



Jama with Dr. Valaria, Dr. Lilla & others



Jama with Puntland Minister of Environment Abdigani



Jama with Mayor of Lund Larry Andow



Liban with Sudanese Ambassador Muses Akol





Social gathering at the conference dinner



Abdillahi Jama with UNDP Somalia participants at the conference



7-9 August 2009 Horn of Africa conference in Lund, Sweden

First Greater Horn Horizon Forum general meeting November 2007 in Djibouti, Djibouti Republic sponsored by UNESCO, Paris.



2007 Greater Horn Horizon Forum meeting participants in Djibouti



2007 in Djibouti



Greater Horn Horizon Forum 2nd general meeting November 2009 in Djibouti, Djibouti Republic



Greater Horn Horizon Forum November 2009 general meeting in Djibouti by UNESCO

Civil society conference in Mombassa organized Interpeace



Interpeace/CRD civil society conference December 2009 in Mombasa

Swedish Ambassador H. E. Jöran with participants

Ambassador Jöran also made statement at 9th Horn of Africa conference focus on Somalia in Lund, Sweden

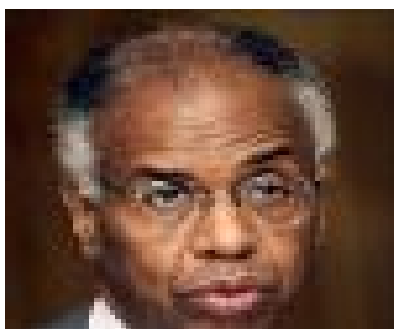


International community representatives led by H.E. Ambassador Jöran. Conference participants from left Ahmed Abdisalam, Abdillahi Jama & businessman Mr Deylaf. CRD/Interpeace civil society Mombasa conference December 2009

9th Annual Horn of Africa Conference 2010 in Lund, Sweden



2010 Lund Horn conference on Somalia, Swedish Ambassador H. E. Jöran for Somalia as participant



UN Special Envoy for Somalia

H. E. Walad Abdallah 2010



IGAD General Secretary

H. E. Mahboub Maalim 2010



Djibouti Minister of Culture & Communication

H. E. Ali Abdi Farah , 2010 Lund



Sweden's special Envoyr for Horn of Africa Finland Special Envoy for Horn of Africa UNDP Country Director for Somalia

H. E. Ambassador Marika Fahlen, 2010

H. E. Pekka Haavisto, 2010 Lund

Alvaro Rodriguez 2010 Lund



EU Horn of Africa Department,

IDEA Stockholm,

UN Envoy

Somali foreign Minister

Mr. Jeremy Lester, 2010 Lund

Dr. Markus, 2010 Lund

H.E. Ahmadoue Q. Abdalla

Ali A. Jama Jangali



Lund Unversity Rector, 2010 conference

Gerorge Washinton University

2010 Horn Conference on Somalia

Prof. Per Eriksson

Ambassador David Shinn, 2010

Lund, Sweden



H. E. Ambassador Moses Akol, H. E. Mohamed S. Duale, Prof. Mohamed Abdi Gandi, Former President Jama Ali Jama

Sudan Ambassador to Sweden Djibouti Ambassador to HC Human Rights, Geneva, TFG Minister of Transport, Former Puntland President



Chairman Horn Conferences

Conferences Coordinator

2010 Horn conference in Lund

H. E. Ambassador Count Pietersen

Abdillahi Jama



2010 debate on Somalia by scholars in Lund

2010 Horn conference on Somalia

BBC Abdirahman Koronto

Galmudug President Mr. Calim among participants



3 day summit that began Friday morning in Lund, Sweden heard speeches by Somali intellectuals and scholars from institutions the world over; representatives from the UN, EU and AMISOM; as well as government ministers from past and present. The participants represented an even wider array of professions from doctors and lawyers to prominent businessmen and reporters from the diaspora as well inside Somalia. With so many people representing all ends of the socio, economic and political spectrum differences in ideologies as well as solutions to resolve the issues plaguing Somalia were bound to happen. This conference created the forum for meaningful dialogue and constructive criticism that is considered necessary to tackle the complicated crisis in Somalia. Speaking to Hiiraan Online, Professor Abdi Ismail Samatar said that this conference is unique in that it is the only open forum where participants can trade ideas about issues concerning the Horn of Africa. Furthermore, it is a conference managed by a Somali that invites Sudan, Ethiopia, Somalia and Djibouti to engage in a democratic forum; in this sense, Somali's act as peacemakers as well.



Some of the keynote speakers were: Ahmedou Ould-Abdallah, UN Secretary General Special Representative for the Somalia United Nations Political Office for Somalia (UNPOS); H.E Ali Ahmed Jama Jangali, Somali Foreign Minister, Transitional Federal Government (TFG); Ambassador David Shinn, Professor at the School of International Affairs, George Washington University; Honourable Pekka Haavista, Member of Finnish Parliament, Finnish Special Envoy to the Horn of Africa & Sudan; H.E Jama Ali Jama, former President of Puntland; H.E Ambassador Nur Hassan Hussien, Former Prime Minister of TFG and former Ambassador of missions of the Somali Republic at European Communities & Ambassador of Somali Republic to Italy; and Mr. Alvaro Rodriguez, UNDP, Somalia Country Director.



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As the politicization of Islam in Somalia is sweeping over the nation, the militant groups Al-Shabab and Hizbul Islam came up frequently both formally at the conference and in private conversation during lunch and dinner between the participants. Abdirahman Aynte one of the researchers who focused on Al-Shabab noted that “there is an inverse relationship between a weak and disorganized local polities and clans and Al-Shabab; the weaker the polities are, the stronger Al-Shabab is”



2010 Horn of Africa conference in Lund, Sweden, Tea break

the conference concluded, one of the participants said that the conference was "one of the most comprehensive and educational conference in recent years". Another said that he hopes that the major participants involved and their organizations listen to what was discussed and implement it in their policies in Somalia so that the next time the conference rolls around we can be moving forward and discuss new issues on development and reconciliation.

10th Annual Horn of Africa Conference 2011 in Lund, Sweden: Role of Promoting Peace and Development in the Horn of Africa region



10th Horn of Africa conference participants 2011: Role of Women in Promoting Peace & Development in the Horn of Africa



Ambassador Marika Fahlen, Special Envoy Horn of Africa, Swedish Foreign Ministry, Chairing the conference,

Mayor City of Lund Hon. Annika Annerby welcoming and opening remarks of the Horn of Africa conference 2011



Mayor City of Lund hon. Ms Annika opens the 2011 Horn of Africa conference and welcomes participants



From Ielf Christian UNPOS, Jeremy EU, Ambassador Marika UD, Ilhan Minister Somaliland. Bodil Forum Syd Chairperson



2011 Horn of Africa conference participants in Lund, Sweden



2011 Horn Africa conference participants in Lund, Sweden

2011 Horn Africa conference participants in Lund, Sweden



Brandi James, Political Officer US Embassy Nairobi Kenya. Chantal Ekambi Gender Affairs Officer UNPOS



2011 Horn of Africa conference in Lund ,Sweden



2011 Horn Africa conference participants in Lund, Sweden



From left: Minister Ilhan Somaliland, a participant, TFG Minister mariam, Puntland Minister Asha. Hibo Speaking at conference



2011 conference Amal Dirie
Lund University Master student

2011 conference Saud Mohamed, PhD Candidate
Lund University

SIRC training workshop1 for Somali civil society organizations

27 October – 2nd November 2011 Training workshop for Strengthening Somalia/Somaliland Civil Society Organizations to Promote a Holistic and Inclusive Approach to Democracy and Human Rights that are Key to Peace and Development, in Hargeisa Somaliland



SIRC Chairman making introduction about the second training workshop in Hargeisa, Somaliland October 2011



H. E. Ilhan Mohamed Jama, Minister of Labour and Social Affairs of Somaliland opened the training workshop. From left: General Secretary of Somaliland Council of Elders Abdillahi Ibrahim Habane, General Director Ministry of Planning & Cooperation Rashid Ahmed Guled, Minister of Labour and Social Affairs Ilhan Mohamed Jama standing.



General Director Ministry of Planning & Cooperation Rashid Ahmed Guled making opening remarks

27 October to 2nd November 2011 training workshop in Hargeisa, Somaliland



Training workshop in Hargeisa, Somaliland October 2011, Nicklas Svensson expert from STHLM Policy Group, Sweden and participants



Dr. Abdillahi Elmi Mohamed expert from Sweden

11th Annual Horn of Africa Conference 8-10 June 2012 in Lund, Sweden: Peace and Security – Key to Stability and Sustainable Development in the Horn of Africa region



Vice Mayor of Lund Honourable Mr. Jörgen Forsberg, (Ambassador Marika Fahlen, Special Envoy Horn of Africa, SIRC Chairing conference opening remarks of the conference Swedish Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Chairing panel sessions)

June 2012

June 2012



9 June 2012 different conference workshops



Speakers left: Saif Forum Syd, Dr Valeria, Dr. Shukria, Ambassador Count, Ing. Ishael, Prof. Abdullahi



Left: Dr. Yakoub, Rowan UNPOS, Jeremy EU, Djibouti Minister Hassan Darar Houffaneh, Jonas Mana Eritrea Charge di Affaires



Left: Martin Plaut BBC, Dr.Markus, Dr. Elhagi Mahamed, Prof. Arne Ardeberg, Abdillahi Elmi PhD Candidate, Prof. Sisay Assefa



Left: Prof. Abdi Samatar, Dr. Kontie Musse, Liban Wehlie SIRC Co-coordinator, Dr. Ismail Wais, Mr. Ashraf El Nur, IOM



2012 Horn of Africa conference in Lund, Sweden



Shabelle Media Network





2012 conference

SIRC training workshop 2 on Peace and Security training workshop for Somaliland/Somalia civil society organizations in Hargeisa, Somaliland, 9-15 December 2012



Hassan Suudi from CDCH in Hargeisa and Ahmed Ali from BRDO in Mogadishu making introductory remarks of the training



Abdillahi Jama SIRC, objectives of the training



Somaliland Minister of Labor and Social Affairs H.E. Mohamud Ahmed Barre (Garad), opening remarks



Minister of Agriculture of Somaliland H.E. Prof. Farah Elmi Gedole, opening remarks, training 2012



Abdullahi Elmi, training 2012



Training 2012



Group work



group work



Group work

group work



Dr. Ulf Johansson Dahre, Associate Professor, Department of Anthropology, Lund University, trainer, 2012, Hargeisa., on peace and security workshop.



Training workshop

Training workshop



2012 workshop participants group work



Workshop participants 2012 , Jama with Minister of Labour and Social Affairs of Somaliland and Secretary General of Somaliland Upper House of Parliament after the closing of the training workshop in Hargeisa 15

12th Annual Horn of Africa Conference 23-24 August 2013 in Lund, Sweden: Resources, Conflict and Peace in the Horn of Africa region



One of workshops 2013

Conference 2013



Chairing Committee Inj. Ishael, Dr. Hodan Isse, Ambassador Count Pietersen, conference



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Lund Univeristy

Dr. Jacob Granit
Director SEI

Gustaf Ödquist
President Life & Peace Institute

Mrs Sawsan Abdelmagied Abdelraheem
Counsellor Sudanese Ambassador to Sweden



Amb. Per Lindgärd
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Swedish Foreign Ministry

Prof. Sisay Asefa
West Michigan University

Prof. Abdi Samatar
Minnesota university

Dr. Amira Osman
Bradford Univesity

Dr. Hodan Isse
Buffalo University



Prof. Abdullahi Eltom
Ireland National University

Abdullahi Elmi
PhD Candidate
Stockholm University

Prof. Kidane Mingisteab
Penn State University

Panel debate



Eritrean Horn of Africa lunch at the conference hall

Successful implementation
Resources, Conflict and Peace Training Workshop
For Somaliland/Somalia Civil Society Organizations, Traditional Leaders and Decision Makers
8th December - 10th December. 2014, Mogadishu, Somalia
Place: Hotel Palace Jazeera
Implemented by SIRC and facilitated by SIRC local partners in Somaliland/Somalia namely Center for Dialogue, Civic Education and Human Rights (CDCH) in Hargeisa and Baniadam Relief & Development Organisation (BRDO) in Mogadishu.



Liban Wehlie
SIRC Chairperson

Abdisayid Hassan
CDCH Representative

H.E. Abdullahi Qodax Bare
Minister of Interior Somali Federal Government

In Opening remarks, H.E Abdillahi Qodax Bare Minister of Interior, Somali Federal Government, expressed his appreciation of the participants, SIRC Organizer of the training workshop, SIRC local partners in Mogadishu, and Hargeisa for the implementation of this important Training Workshop. The Minister also thanked Folke Bernadotte Academy for sponsoring the training.

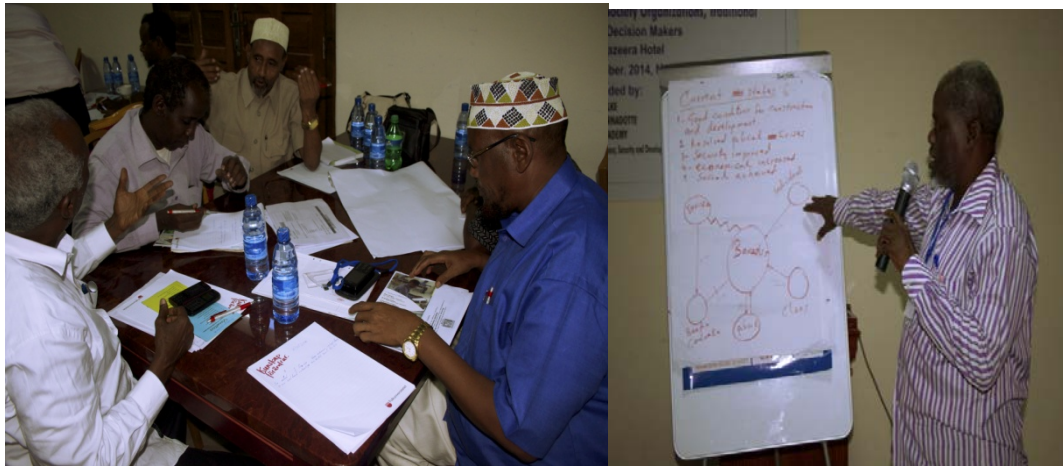
In his speech, Minister stated “Somali People need Peace and Security and Development and this is Somali Federal Government’s hope”. He explained the benefits of the workshop on Natural Resource Conflict and Peace Building Process in a Somali Context for workshop participants and for Somali public through mass media. The Minister of Interior said that security situation in Mogadishu has been improving and it is minds of all inhabitants of Mogadishu to work hard for peace and security of the country. “Societies always make progress if they Improve Three Factors: Human Resource Development, Land Management and Appropriate Use of Financial Resources” the Minister said. The Minister explained the Concept of Federalism and explained that autonomous regions of Somali Federal Government are meant to share national Resources properly, build strong state institutions and Mitigate Conflict in the society. The Minister stressed that an Independent Federal Commission will evaluate all regional administrations about how to share the resources of the country in the interest of the Somali people and will establish Criteria for this.



Workshop participants







Conclusion:

The first Somalia International Rehabilitation Centre (SIRC) training workshop in Mogadishu, Somalia on resources, conflict and peace was considered a success. We have successfully familiarized the key stakeholders of the training with the context theory and practice of conflict analysis and conflict sensibility, linkage between natural resources, peace and state building in the process in the Somali context, natural resources as conflict drivers at local level, natural resource as connectors at the community level in Somalia, and natural resources as regional strategic opportunity for Horn of Africa countries. Stakeholders were shown why this training workshop was relevant to them. Civil society organizations and traditional leaders have demonstrated a strong interest in learning how the workshop can help them in understanding how to solve conflicts for resources among Somali communities which in turn can help to promote to peace and security development in Somalia.



Ministry of Agriculture H. E. Abdi Ahmed Mohamed second person from left, in the left picture, made closing marks of the training workshop and distributed certificates to the training workshop participants. He acknowledged SIRC's devotion in holding this valuable training workshop in Mogadishu and encouraged SIRC to continue training workshops for civil society organizations, traditional and for Somali civil servants. The Minister of Agriculture also warmly welcomed Recommendations from the workshop and told participants to fully utilize knowledge they have learned from the training and spread it among their organizations and communities in which they operate.

2015 project in Somaliland

Successful implementation

Training Workshops for marginalized groups in six regions of Somaliland 2015 from basic principles of human rights, democratic governance and decision making in local, regional and national levels

Training workshop in Borama, Awal Region 2015:



From right, SIRC projects coordinator, Governor of Awal region, Mayor of Borama, and 45 participants as well as Dr. Ulf Johansson from Lund University, Sweden.

Training workshop in Burco, Togdheer Region 2015:



Regional Secretary of Burco region

45 participants



Participants

Participants

Training workshop in Berbera, Saaxil region Region 2015, opened by regional leaders, 45 participants



Training workshop in Hargeisa, Maroodijeer region 2015



Participants of the capacity building training



Experts for training: Nicklas Svensson, STHLM Policy Group & Ulf Johansson Lund University from Sweden. Somaliland State Minister of Education and closed by Somaliland Minister of Education. 2015



Participants



Dr. Ulf Johansson





From right Hassan Aden Chairperson Law Commission of Somaliland, Abdillahi Jama SIRC projects Coordinator, Somaliland State Minister of Education, Nicklas Svensson Senior Consultant STHLM Policy Group, Dr. Ulf Johansson Dahre, Associate Professor Lund University.



Photo some of the workshop Participants who wanted to have photo Nicklas and Ulf 2015

Training workshop in Oog, Lascaanood region 2015



Participants 45, opened by the Mayor.





Somaliland Minister of Education, State Minister of Education, Chairman Law Commission of Somaliland, Swedish experts, and SIRC members at Hargeisa workshop 2015



Associate Prof Ulf Johansson Dahre, Lund University lecturing 2015 Hargeisa Workshop



Nicklas Svensson , Stockholm Policy Group lecturing at Hargeisa workshop 2016



2016 workshop participants in Hargeisa, Nicklas offering lecture. CDCH gave traditional Somali gifts to Prof. Ulf 2015

Training workshops for marginalized group in Somaliland 2016



ToT for local trainers by Prof. Ulf Johansson Dahre



Abdillahi Habe, Somaliland Minister of Education



Participants and Prof. Johansson Dahre, from Lund University, 2016





Training workshops participants by local trainers

SIRC FOOD SECURITY PROEJCTS 2003-2015

From SIRC has worked with a local partner in Somalia, Bani' Adam Relief and Development Organisation, for securing food production through improving the agricultural infrastructure and making small-scale farmers more self-sufficient and implemented five development projects from 2003 – 2007 there. However from 2008 to 2014 no developments projects have been carried in this region due to high insecurity in Somalia. SIRC and its local partner BRDO have restarted food security projects for fishing community in 2015 in Somalia. All these projects have been funded by Forum Syd /Sida of Sweden.

2015 fishing project for marginalized communities in Jazeera and Marka Shabelle Region, Somalia





Distribution of Fishing kits equipment and training among participants of the project 2015 in Shabelle region, Somalia



BRDO food security engineers in Mogadishu with SIRC members 2015

2003 and 2007, SIRC projects rehabilitating irrigation canals in Shabelle Region of Somalia

A SIRC team visited Somalia to conduct monitoring on projects implemented by SIRC local partner Bani' Adam Relief and Development Organization.



2002 SIRC office Mogadishu, Somalia

2002 SIRC with local partner in Mogadishu, Somalia



River Shabelle if fully utilized can produce enough food for Somalia Number of sluice gates constructed in 2003-2005 by SIRC-BRDO



Sluice gate constructed



Number of culvert boxes constructed in 2003-2005 by SIRC-Baniadam



Culvert Box constructed



Culvert box needed to be constructed



Farmers benefiting from sluice gates & culvert boxes constructed



Market shelter to sell products from farms 2005



Picture of farmers of one of four villages of the 2003-2005 projects



Meeting with farmers 2005



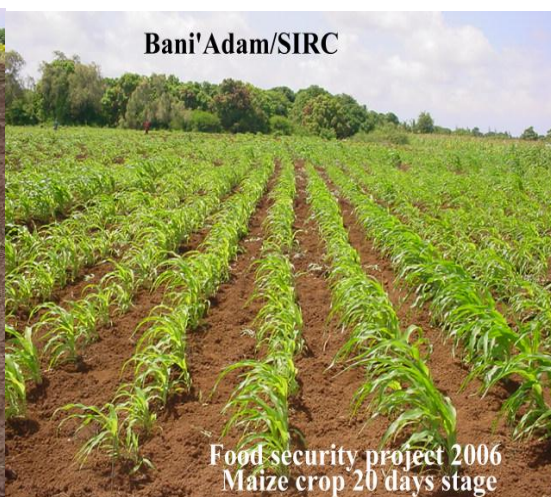
Meeting with farmers 2005 shabelle Region



Culvert box constructed 2005



Farmers benefiting from agriculture structures





Bani'Adam/SIRC

Maize crop 30 days stage



Bani'Adam/SIRC

Maize crop for one contact farmer



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Female contact farmer



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Small farmers

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