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Through education, training, and technical assistance, the Auschwitz Institute for the Prevention of Genocide and Mass Atrocities (AIPG) supports states to develop or strengthen policies and practices for the prevention of genocide and other mass atrocities. AIPG also encourages and supports the cooperation of states through regional and international networks to advance prevention.

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Prevention during an Epidemic: COVID-19 and the Auschwitz Institute



Statement published on April 8, 2020:

Since the beginning of March, the Auschwitz Institute has been monitoring the incredible destructive impact that the COVID-19 Pandemic is having on societies around the world. While official responses have varied, the crisis has produced increased levels of volatility in every global region that have led to profound changes in the daily lives of all. At this time, the Auschwitz Institute's staff and Board of Directors would like to extend our thoughts and best wishes to each and every member of our global atrocity prevention community.

Prevention During an Epidemic

As an organization dedicated to building a world that prevents genocide and other mass atrocities, the Auschwitz Institute is acutely aware of the dangers presented by the COVID-19 Pandemic. The destabilization and uncertainty brought by global crises can have a disastrous effect on societies by eroding the factors that mitigate risks for social upheaval while enhancing or enabling those that promote it. These effects can lead to even greater devastation in otherwise vulnerable societies and, in the worst cases, serve as triggers for mass violence.

This is why our shared mission of preventing genocide and other mass atrocities continues to be as essential as it has ever been.

Adapting our Work

In light of the ongoing pandemic, the staff of the Auschwitz Institute has been working to adapt our programming to ensure that we can still provide practitioners around the world with the knowledge and resources that they need to do the critical work of protecting their populations. While conventional training programs, conferences, experts meetings, and other in-person gatherings cannot be organized during this time, AIPG remains committed to the development of new avenues to advance our mission.

Online Programs

On March 24, we announced that we would be expanding the geographic reach of our 6-week online fundamentals course entitled Foundations in Mass Atrocity Prevention to institutions around the world. Since the Auschwitz Institute initiated the Online Education Initiative in late 2016, AIPG's virtual platform has allowed for a much greater number of policymakers to learn from the same curriculum as their colleagues who have attend the Raphael Lemkin Seminars and other major AIPG programs. As with all of AIPG's online offerings, the Foundations course features a high degree of interactivity, a focus on collaborative work, and a limited class size to ensure direct one-on-one student engagement with our expert instructional team.

To date, AIPG's Online Education Program has maintained an average retention rate of over 80%, far superior to those achieved by massive open online courses commonly offered to professionals. As a result, instructors of AIPG's online courses have awarded over 300 individual certificates of completion to participants since the program's inception.

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Policy Challenge Brief

The following week, the Auschwitz Institute released a Policy Challenge Brief that assists policymakers and other stakeholders in applying an atrocity prevention lens to their work both during, and following, the COVID-19 Pandemic. In "Implications of COVID-19 for Atrocity Prevention," Dr. James Waller, AIPG's Director of Academic Programs, provides a framework for vital policy considerations that must be taken into account in order to stop a range of accelerating and triggering factors from enabling the outbreak of mass atrocity violence.

The analysis contained in the Policy Challenge Brief illustrates the manner in which the COVID-19 Pandemic's pervasiveness has produced a policy challenge that will require multi-faceted responses in three distinct spheres of risk: governance, economic conditions, and social fragmentation. Authored by Dr. Waller with research assistance provided by AIPG's Academic Programs Officer Dr. Ashley Greene and Academic Programs Associate Mariana Salazar Albornoz, "Implications of COVID-19 for Atrocity Prevention" focuses specifically on the impact that COVID-19 will have on deeply divided, fragile, conflict-prone, or atrisk societies.

Staff and Community Safety

While organizing these and other important initiatives to help our community protect vulnerable populations around the globe, AIPG has also focused heavily on the safety and security of our team and the well-being of

our programmatic partners. The staff of the Auschwitz Institute, working from 7 countries around the globe through 4 primary regional offices, has fully transitioned to remote work during this period. Due to the international character of the Auschwitz Institute's initiatives, we were able to benefit from significant existing experience, workflows, and infrastructure to facilitate this change.

Above all, the staff and Board of Directors of the Auschwitz Institute are dedicated to keeping alive our shared vision of a global society that prevents the occurrence of humanity's most devastating crimes. During this period of extended social isolation, we believe that it is now more critical than ever that we support one another and stand united as a community devoted to building a better world. With this in mind, we remain incredibly grateful for the unequivocal and unwavering commitment of our community in support of our work.

Black Lives Matter



Statement published on June 11, 2020:

The killing of George Floyd by police forces in the U.S. city of Minneapolis, Minnesota has sparked waves of protests across not only the United States, but the world. His murder represents the most recent mediaacknowledged entry in an unspeakably long list of Black people killed by a racist society. In 2020 alone, the lives of Ahmaud Arbery, George Floyd, Tony McDade, Breonna Taylor, and many others have been claimed by police violence. U.S. police forces shoot and kill nearly 1,000 people annually, with a disproportionate number of those individuals being Black. Their deaths reflect a devastating and continuing injustice suffered by the Black community for generations.

To be clear, this represents a systematic and widespread attack on a civilian population. Atrocity prevention efforts in the United States, undertaken by both governmental actors and those from civil society, have traditionally been dominated by foreign policy efforts. Additionally, actions taken in the name of political expedience and exceptionalist mythology have inhibited a necessary focus on domestic atrocity risks. As Dr. James Waller writes, "It would be a disingenuous and dangerous denial of our history to believe that our past, present, or future somehow shelters us from the risk of genocide." Yet, realizing effective atrocity prevention remains an impossible goal within a society that continues to uphold pervasive white supremacy and routinely allows discriminatory violence to be carried out by the state.

In this moment, the Auschwitz Institute acknowledges its own responsibility as a member of civil society. We recognize that we have not done enough in response to the plight of Black people, especially within the context of our work in the United States. Knowing this, we commit to taking action and increasing our programming dedicated to domestic mass atrocity prevention in the U.S.

As a part of these external efforts, which will be mirrored by a range of new and ongoing internally focused reforms, we will be introducing three primary initiatives into our domestic programming agenda. These represent the first steps that AIPG will take to provide our partners and community with the necessary tools and resources to enact real change and end ongoing cycles of discriminatory violence.

First, AIPG will be launching an online version of our training curriculum for United States law enforcement, thereby increasing access to education and training programs focused on implementing the recommendations made by President Obama's Task Force on 21st Century Policing. This will be done in collaboration with the National Center for Civil and Human Rights (NCCHR) in Atlanta, the host of our National Seminars for Law **Enforcement on Civil and Human Rights** Protection, Second, the Auschwitz Institute will create a United States Transitional Justice Programming Strategy. This will assist local, state, and federal U.S. government bodies in developing transitional justice policies that directly engage with the country's history of mass atrocities, support reparative initiatives that offer necessary redress to victimized

Black Lives Matter



populations, and reform the institutions responsible for perpetrating these abuses so that they are no longer able to do so. Third, AIPG will support NCCHR's development of robust guidance and training measures for corporate and other private-sector actors. These resources will outline essential actions and considerations that combat white supremacy and promote the realization of racial justice in the workplace.

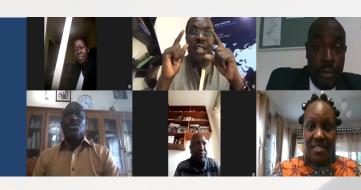
In recognizing that Black Lives Matter, it is of the utmost importance to commemorate and memorialize those claimed by racist police violence in the United States. While we will continue to take actions to fight against malicious forces of historical revisionism that inhibit essential measures for truth, justice, and memory, we will also ensure that these individuals continue to be seen. We will say their names.

Black Lives Matter. Say their names.

Eric Garner, John Crawford III, Michael Brown, Ezell Ford, Dante Parker, Michelle Cusseaux, Laquan McDonald, George Mann, Tanisha Anderson, Akai Gurley, Tamir Rice, Rumain Brisbon, Jerame Reid, Matthew Ajibade, Frank Smart, Natasha McKenna, Tony Robinson, Anthony Hill, Mya Hall, Phillip White, Eric Harris, Walter Scott, William Chapman II, Alexia Christian, Brendon Glenn, Victor Manuel Larosa, Jonathan Sanders, Freddie Blue, Joseph Mann, Salvado Ellswood, Sandra Bland, Albert Joseph Davis, Darrius Stewart, Billy Ray Davis, Samuel Dubose, Michael Sabbie, Brian Keith Day, Christian Taylor, Troy Robinson, Asshams Pharoah Manley, Felix Kumi, Keith Harrison McLeod, Junior Prosper, Lamontez Jones, Paterson Brown, Dominic Hutchinson, Anthony Ashford, Alonzo Smith, Tyree Crawford, India Kager, La'vante Biggs, Michael Lee Marshall, Jamar Clark, Richard Perkins, Nathaniel Harris Pickett, Benni Lee Tignor, Miguel Espinal, Michael Noel, Kevin Matthews, Bettie Jones, Quintonio Legrier, Keith Childress Jr., Janet Wilson, Randy Nelson, Antronie Scott, Wendell Celestine, David Joseph, Calin Roquemore, Dyzhawn Perkins, Christopher Davis, Marco Loud, Peter Gaines, Torrey Robinson, Darius Robinson, Kevin Hicks, Mary Truxillo, Demarcus Semer, Willie Tillman, Terrill Thomas, Sylville Smith, Alton Sterling, Philando Castile, Terence Crutcher, Paul O'Neal, Alteria Woods, Jordan Edwards, Aaron Bailey, Ronell Foster, Stephon Clark, Antwon Rose II, Botham Jean, Pamela Turner, Dominique Clayton, Atatiana Jefferson, Christopher Whitfield, Christopher Mccorvey. Eric Reason, Michael Lorenzo Dean, Breonna Taylor.

This non-comprehensive list of Black people in the United States killed by police since July 2014 was compiled by National Public Radio's Code Switch as part of an episode entitled "A Decade of Watching Black People Die."

Africa Programs



AIPG's Africa Programs Office (APO) is continuing its work in building a regional network for the prevention of identity-based violence (IBV), which represents a key aspect of preventing genocide and mass atrocities in the region. The APO is pursuing this goal through the training of key individuals and Focal Points in both government and civil society that make up National Committees for Genocide Prevention in the Great Lakes Region of Africa. Benefitting from AIPG training seminars and events. Committee Members are able to exchange ideas, build partnerships, and create local networks that form the foundation of a future regional network for the implementation of activities.

During 2020, the APO continued its implementation of a major three-year network grant from the Jo Cox Foundation, funded with UK aid from the British people, on the prevention of IBV. In its second year, AIPG is implementing the project in seven countries (the Central African Republic, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Burundi, Uganda, Tanzania, Kenya, and Zambia) across the Great Lakes Region of Africa. Over the past two years, more than 400 individuals have participated in one or more of the APO's training programs and activities related to this project; this number should grow to 670 by the end of the project period in June of 2022.

In order to adapt to the programming challenges presented by the COVID-19 pandemic, the APO is utilizing AIPG's technological resources, expertise, and experience to provide online educational and training modalities. With the help of the Research and Online Education Program,

for example, the APO successfully shifted its scheduled in-person programming for 2020 to a virtual format.

The first of these newly online training seminars was carried out by the APO in support of the launch of the Zambian National Committee for the Prevention of Mass Atrocities in June. The meeting resulted in the creation of a National Action Plan for the Prevention of Identity Based Violence, as well as a case study document and policy paper on local dynamics.

In August, a webinar on early warning and early response in relation to IBV was organized with the Uganda National Committee ahead of a new national election cycle in 2021. Over 50 stakeholders participated in the program, which included representation from international cultural, academic, and media organizations.

Finally, the APO organized a five-stage Regional Focal Points Meeting from November 16 through December 18 for the seven countries participating in its UK Aidfunded project. The Regional Focal Points Meeting produced country case studies and generated recommendations on policies and programs designed to respond to conflicts in the region together with the International Conference on the Great Lakes Region, the African Union, and the East African Community.

Latin American Program



Since the outbreak of COVID-19, the Auschwitz Institute's Latin American Program (LAP) has worked diligently to share resources, reduce costs, and increase efficiencies while converting in-person activities to virtual ones. Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, the LAP has worked to maintain frequent and multidirectional communications with its global partners. These efforts resulted in a high level of participation in its adapted virtual programming schedule for 2020.

After receiving final approval for AIPG's "Atrocity Prevention and the Latin American Migration Crisis in Colombia and Ecuador" project from the zivik program of the German Institut für Auslandsbeziehungen (ifa) — supported by German Federal Foreign Office Funds — the LAP restructured its original proposal and approach into three online courses. Through these courses, AIPG created a bespoke virtual education and training package that benefitted from active involvement by the Colombian and Ecuadorian Offices of the Ombudsperson.

In addition to creating an adapted version of AIPG's Foundations in Mass Atrocity Prevention course, the LAP team created new online training modules specifically for the program. The new "Prevention of Mass Atrocities in the Migratory Crisis" courses provide a space to refresh and deepen participants' knowledge of challenges related to human mobility and the protection of migrants' rights, as well as to generate joint public policies with a prevention-focused approach in Colombia and Ecuador.

During this time, AIPG collaborated with stakeholders to build an array of tools prioritizing an atrocity prevention lens, as well as a map of partners and other important actors to facilitate joint actions for the protection of migrants. For example, the LAP has worked to deepen its institutional relationship with the Colombian Ministry of the Interior, which recently incorporated one of the project's outputs — an informational guide with care mechanisms for migrants and refugees — into a toolkit for official institutions and local organizations.

On June 4, 2020, the Auschwitz Institute's Latin America Program participated in the launch event for the new Risk Monitoring and Prevention System for Human Rights Affectations in Colombia. The event was organized by the Research and Prosecution Unit of the Special Jurisdiction for Peace and the Faculty of Political Sciences and Internal Relations of the Pontificia Universidad Javeriana in Bogotá.

To enact another key adaptation to the prevailing pandemic conditions, LAP staff conducted bilateral meetings with members of the Latin American Network with the purpose of relocating and redesigning the original implementation plan for the annual Focal Points Meeting. As a result, the XI Annual Meeting of the Latin American Network, held virtually on October 28, renewed the importance of previously established priorities. The meeting also functioned as an opportunity to discuss and understand pandemics as a triggering event of atrocities.

Warren Educational Policies Program

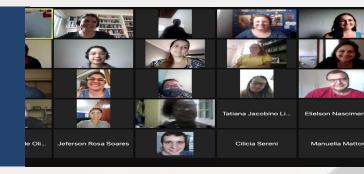




Photo: Hannah Neal

On September 1, 2020, the Auschwitz
Institute held a virtual launch event for the
newly-named Warren Educational Policies
Program - Celebrating the Life of Holocaust
Survivor Naomi Kaplan Warren (WEPP).
This new initiative comes as the result of a
collaboration between AIPG and the family of
Holocaust survivor Naomi Kaplan Warren to
honor her remarkable life.

The COVID-19 pandemic has caused a crisis in education, according to UNESCO, approximately 1.5 billion students in 190 countries remain without access to schooling. Since March of 2020, the WEPP has been making great efforts to adapt, continue, and even expand its work in a challenging and ever-shifting environment.

To this end, the WEPP not only worked to advance its projects in Brazil and El Salvador during social distancing mandate, but also to ensure that the contents of its programming remained relevant to the current situation and sensitive to the ways in which the pandemic has affected levels of discrimination, human rights, democracy, fake news, solidarity, and cooperation.

During April and May, the WEPP held an interactive webinar series entitled "Strengthening the Educational Community during COVID-19." Attendees included educators from the Brazilian states of Sao Paulo, Brasilia, and Paraiba. Following the pedagogical framework of the "Citizenship and Democracy in School" project, the virtual seminar explored themes like prejudice, discrimination, human rights, democracy, and solidarity in the time of COVID-19 and how they relate to local realities in Brazil.

During the months that followed, the Auschwitz Institute utilized the outcomes of these sessions to adapt a series of activities from Citizenship and Democracy in School to suit distance learning. AIPG also held an art competition for students to motivate them to stay connected to their school and explore themes of global citizenship during difficult times.

Finally, between December 7-9, the WEPP held its final virtual teacher training of the year. This training was also the first to be open to instructors from across Brazil, with 330 teachers from 21 Brazilian states ultimately participating in this program. This initiative was important to expanding interest in AIPG's education proposal among a diverse community of teachers. The high level of demand for this program shows that there are many Brazilian teachers interested in receiving training to bring education for democratic citizenship into their classrooms.

Mediterranean Basin Program



During 2020, the Mediterranean Basin Program (MBP) heightened its visibility and expanded its reach in Southeastern Europe through in-person meetings in the region and virtual consultations when the pandemic made in-person events impossible. By swiftly adapting to new and changing conditions, the MBP developed and set the foundation for new projects to be carried out in a virtual framework.

In 2020, AIPG deepened its partnership with the Romanian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Public Ministry through the development and implementation of training seminars on the prevention of atrocities for key public officials, such as ministry staff, judges, prosecutors, military experts, and police forces.

Given the unpredictability of the COVID-19 pandemic, its disruption of all in-person programming, and the importance of sustaining this Mediterranean Basin Program, AIPG developed and implemented a bespoke virtual course for its target audience in Romania. The resulting three-week online course entitled "Introduction to Mass Atrocity Prevention" took place between September 14 and October 4.

The intensive and interactive online program was designed and delivered in Romanian, with a particular focus on the process of transitional justice in Romania. The course welcomed a diverse group of 18 public officials, including military prosecutors, judges, diplomats, experts from different ministries, and police officers, as well as representatives from academia.

The program's attendees learned how to apply a prevention framework in their work and how they can support prevention programs to build a more resilient and inclusive society. Feedback on the program was overwhelmingly positive, and participants exhanged valuable ideas on future opportunities for collaboration between AIPG and the Romanian National Network for Genocide Prevention and Multidisciplinary Research of Mass Graves.

On Friday, July 10, the Auschwitz Institute's Dr. James Waller and Dr. Gabriela Ghindea participated in "Denial and Triumphalism: Origins, Impact, and Prevention," an international digital roundtable and conference to mark the 25th anniversary of the Srebrenica Genocide. The event was organized by the Srebrenica Potocari Memorial Center, the University of Sarajevo's Faculty of Political Science, and the Institute for Islamic Tradition of Bosniaks, and brought together worldwide experts on genocide studies and related fields to discuss the legacy of the 1995 genocide in Srebrenica and to explore the phenomenon of genocide denial in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Due to public safety concerns related to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the virtual event was organized in lieu of the planned inperson commemorative activities.



In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, Research Development and Online Education Program staff assisted AIPG's other programs in adapting their in-person seminars to an online course format. This includes initiatives in Burundi, Zambia, DRC, Romania, Ecuador, and Colombia. AIPG also offered a Foundations in Mass Atrocity Prevention course for employees in Australia's Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade.

The Online Education Program's first global course, Conflict-Related Atrocity Crimes Prevention, was a success. At present, the course, which was funded by the Irish government, has been translated into Spanish, French, and German, with additional plans to translate it into Arabic in 2021.

In 2020, the Auschwitz Institute also completed the pilot version of its new online courses for law enforcement personnel in the United States, entitled "Promoting and Protecting Civil and Human Rights." The 2-week version of this course, created for rank-and-file officers, ran from September 18 until October 2, 2020. The 6-week version of the course, created for mid to senior level leadership, ran from October 12th to November 21st. Organized in partnership with the National Center for Civil and Human Rights, with funding from the Woodruff Foundation, and the Atlanta Police Department (APD), the training was attended by 89 members of the APD's Police Academy staff. The online course benefits from a newly-created curriculum, developed by AIPG staff with the assistance of multiple external experts in the field. The curriculum includes an array of innovative multimedia tools designed specifically for the course.

As a whole, the program builds capacity in participating law enforcement agencies to detect risk factors for civil and human rights abuses, identify appropriate response tools to promote and protect those rights, and recognize best practices for fostering resiliency in targeted communities.

In total, AIPG offered 21 online courses during 2020 and awarded course completion certificates to over 430 individuals. In addition to courses on Conflict-Related Atrocity Crimes Prevention and Promoting and Protecting Civil and Human Rights, the following courses were offered throughout the year:

Collective Memory and
Memorialization, Early Warning and
Mass Atrocity Prevention, LGBTI
Rights from a Prevention Perspective,
Foundations in Mass Atrocity Prevention,
Migrations and Mass Atrocity Prevention,
Preventing Identity-Based Violence,
The Role of Non-State Actors in Mass
Atrocity Prevention, Transitional Justice
from an Atrocity Prevention Perspective.

The RDOE Department also conducted and provided support to research projects across the organization. For example, in May, AIPG published Truth Commissions and Their Contribution to Atrocity Prevention, the final report of a one-year research project funded by the UK's Department for International Development. Similarly, in September, AIPG began working on a three-year research initiative funded by the US Department of State exploring the preventive capacity of sites of memory around the world.



February 17-March 27, 2020: AIPG held an online Foundations in Mass Atrocity Prevention course for African participants.

February 24-April 3, 2020: AIPG held an online Foundations in Mass Atrocity Prevention course for Latin American participants.

February 27, 2020: Dr. Tibi Galis and Mr. Jack Mayerhofer spoke with US government officials on the implementation of the Elie Wiesel Genocide and Atrocities Prevention Act, and on integrating an atrocity prevention focus into the Global Fragility Act of 2019.

March 2-6, 2020: The Warren Educational Policies Program (WEPP) organized a teacher training for the Citizenship and Democracy in School project in Paraíba, Brazil, in collaboration with the Secretary of Education of Paraíba, the Procuraduria Federal dos Direitos do Cidãdao, and the Office of the Ombudsperson.

March 9, 2020: The WEPP signed an International Cooperation Agreement with the Secretary of Education of Brazil to advance the implementation of the Citizenship and Democracy in School Project.

March 12-13, 2020: The Africa Programs Office (APO) held a regional consultative meeting with military and security sector professionals from Zambia, South Sudan, Kenya, Tanzania and Uganda on the development of a conflict-related atrocity crimes prevention curriculum.

March 27, 2020: In coordination with the Academic Department and the Executive Office, the LAP held a regional consultation meeting in Latin America for the development of a conflict-related atrocity crimes prevention curriculum.

April-May, 2020: The WEPP organized a series of five webinars, which welcomed an average of 30 teachers from São Paulo, Brasília, and Paraíba, to discuss themes related to human rights, identity, discrimination, democracy, and solidarity during the COVID-19 Pandemic.

April 7, 2020: The Executive Office participated in a civil society consultation with the US State Department to share recommendations on atrocity prevention.

April 13-May 8, 2020: AIPG held the Early Warning and Mass Atrocity Prevention online course for African participants.

April 20-May 15, 2020: AIPG held the Migrations and Mass Atrocity Prevention online course for Latin American participants.

May 11, 2020: At the invitation of The School of Sciences of the University of Buenos Aires, the LAP participated in a round of talks on "Rethinking International Relations in an Uncertain Future."

May 25-June 19, 2020: AIPG held its Role of Non-State Actors in Mass Atrocity Prevention online course for African participants.



May 29, 2020: Joined by the Permanent Mission of Ireland to the United Nations in New York, AIPG's Executive Office organized a high-level virtual roundtable discussion entitled "Making the Moral Case for Peacekeeping," which included the announcement of AIPG's new Conflict-Related Atrocity Crimes Prevention online course.

June 1-June 26, 2020: AIPG held its Preventing Identity-Based Violence online course for Zambian participants.

June 1-June 26, 2020: AIPG held its Transitional Justice from an Atrocity Prevention Perspective online course for Latin American participants.

June 2, 2020: The LAP took part in the Standing Committee Meeting on Discrimination, Racism and Xenophobia of the XXXV Meeting of High Authorities in Human Rights of MERCOSUR (Southern Common Market) in Paraguay.

June 4, 2020: The LAP joined the launch of the new Risk Monitoring and Prevention System for Human Rights Affectations by the Special Jurisdiction for Peace (JEP) Investigation and Prosecution Unit in Colombia.

June 5, 2020: On behalf of AIPG, the LAP attended the plenary sessions of the XXXV Meeting of High Authorities in Human Rights of MERCOSUR (Southern Common Market) as an invited civil society participant.

June 15-18, 2020: In collaboration with the Secretary of Education of Brasília, the School of Training for Education Professionals, and the Office of the Ombudsperson of Brazil, the WEPP held an online teacher training for a total of 60 educators in Brasília.

June 30, 2020: AIPG's LAP joined the virtual Plenary Meeting of the International Alliance for the Remembrance of the Holocaust (IHRA) as part of the delegation of the Argentinean Local Chapter of IHRA. AIPG also participated in the Committee on Holocaust, Genocide and Crimes against Humanity.

July 1-26, 2020: AIPG held its Transitional Justice from an Atrocity Prevention Perspective online course for Latin American participants.

July 6, 2020: The Latin American Program launched an edition of the Foundations in the Prevention of Genocide and Mass Atrocities virtual course, as part of the work plan of the Technical Assistance Project on the Prevention of Atrocities in the Context of the Migration Crisis in Colombia and Ecuador.

July 9, 2020: The Auschwitz Institute's New York office held a virtual launch of the AIPG research paper entitled Truth Commissions and their Contributions to Atrocity Prevention.



July 30, 2020: AIPG's LAP held a virtual event to open the Prevention of Mass Atrocities in the Migration Crisis in Colombia online course as part of the Technical Assistance Project on the Prevention of Atrocities in the Context of the Migration Crisis in Colombia and Ecuador.

August 3 - September 12, 2020: AIPG organized an edition of its Foundations in Mass Atrocity Prevention virtual course for Australian officials.

August 13, 2020: Dr. Galis and Mr.
Mayerhofer submitted a policy paper
for advancing atrocity prevention as a
nonpermanent elected member of the UN
Security Council to the Department of
Foreign Affairs and Trade of Ireland. Foreign
Affairs and Trade of Ireland.

August 14, 2020: the LAP held a Conference with an expert of the United Nations and OAS.

August 20, 2020: AIPG's WEPP held a virtual meeting with its partners in El Salvador to evaluate the state of its project there and discuss its consolidation.

August 24 - September 12, 2020: AIPG conducted an edition of its Introduction to Mass Atrocity Prevention online course for participants in the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

August 25 - 26, 2020: The Interdisciplinary Activities Area on Discriminatory Conduct of the Attorney's Office of Buenos Aires convened AIPG's LAP to participate in two workshops for applicants from the Argentine Federal Police on challenges in investigation and punishment for discriminatory acts from a prevention perspective.

August 26, 2020: Mr. Mayerhofer discussed the incorporation of an atrocity prevention lens to human rights work in Myanmar on a panel organized by the Embassy of the United Kingdom to Myanmar.

August 27, 2020: AIPG's LAP co-hosted an interactive dialogue between UN Special Adviser on the Responsibility to Protect, Dr. Karen Smith, and Latin American Network and CSO Forum members.

September 1, 2020: AIPG held a virtual launch event for the Warren Educational Policies Program: Celebrating the Life of Holocaust survivor Naomi Kaplan Warren. The event was conducted via Zoom and streamed to Youtube to hundreds of viewers.

September 4, 2020: AIPG's LAP organized an opening event for the two-week condensed online course entitled The Prevention of Mass Atrocities in the Migration Crisis in Ecuador.

September 10, 2020: Dr. Clara Ramírez Barat participated in a webinar titled "Education and Human Rights: Lessons from the Holocaust," organized by the Secretary of Education of Ceará, Brazil. The event, available on YouTube, has been viewed by more than 1,000 people.



September 14 - October 4, 2020: AIPG's Mediterranean Basin Program coordinated a three-week Romanian-language edition of the Introduction to Mass Atrocity Prevention online course for participants in Romania.

September 14 - October 17, 2020: AIPG launched the inaugural edition of the Conflict-Related Atrocity Crimes Prevention virtual course, its first for a global audience.

September 18, 2020: AIPG's LAP hosted a Conference on Inter-American Standards for the Protection of Migrants, with remarks delivered by a member of the Rapporteurship on the Rights of Migrants of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights (IACHR).

September 18 - October 2, 2020: AIPG offered its first officer-level Online Law Enforcement Training for Promoting and Protecting Civil and Human Rights for participants from the Atlanta Police Department.

September 21 - October 31, 2020: AIPG offered a new edition of the Foundations in Mass Atrocity Prevention course for Latin American participants.

October 2020: The WEPP organized three webinars with an average of 20 teachers from São Paulo, Brasília, and Paraíba to discuss themes related to the continuation of education during the COVID-19 Pandemic.

October 5 - 18, 2020: Dr. Gabriela Ghindea and Ms. Eugenia Carbone contributed to focus-groups and the plenary session at the Strategy Consultation on Mass Violence and Mass Atrocity Prevention, organized by the Stanley Center for Peace and Security.

October 5 - October 31, 2020: AIPG conducted a new iteration of its Collective Memory and Memorialization course for African participants.

October 12 - November 20 2020: AIPG launched the first leadership-level Online Law Enforcement Training for Promoting and Protecting Civil & Human Rights for the Atlanta Police Department.

October 26 - November 14, 2020: AIPG launched a new edition of its online course on Preventing Identity-Based Violence for participants in Burundi.

November 9 - December 12, 2020: AIPG launched a new version of the Conflict-Related Atrocity Crimes Prevention virtual course for African participants.

November 16 - December 18, 2020: The Africa Programs Office (APO) held a five-stage Regional Focal Points Meeting, which welcomed representatives from the seven states participating in its project on identity-based violence.

November 18 and 25, 2020: The Warren Educational Policies Program (WEPP) held two meetings with a total of 28 representatives of the Sao Paulo Regional Teaching Directorates to introduce the "Rights and Citizenship" elective curriculum and plan for an expansion of the elective to additional schools in the state.

December 7 - 9, 2020: The WEPP conducted a three-day online training on its Citizenship and Democracy in School project for 32 teachers from 21 Brazilian states.



December 10, 2020: Dr. Clara Ramirez Barat participated in a panel titled "Human Rights, Education and Democracy" as part of the First Annual Seminar on Human Rights at the Federal University of the South of Bahia.

December 10, 2020: The WEPP, together with its partners from the Secretary of Education of the Federal District, participated in the closing session of its online teacher training in Brasilia, Brazil.

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