

TRAINING RESOURCE MANUAL FOR GENOCIDE AND MASS ATROCITY PREVENTION IN THE GREAT LAKES REGION OF AFRICA

Foreword

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Genocide prevention is not what makes headlines, but it is what prevents the worst of headlines from being made. Why is genocide prevention so important? In short, genocide prevention reduces four types of costs—human, instability, economic, and diplomatic. Genocide prevention is primarily focused on reducing human costs through the protection and preservation of human life and security. In addition, however, genocide prevention reduces instability costs by contributing to national peace and stability in fragile countries, as well as promoting regional and international peace and stability. Prevention's importance also reduces economic costs as prevention is much less costly than intervening to stop genocide or rebuilding in the aftermath of a mass destruction that has destroyed the development trajectory of a state or region. Finally, genocide prevention reduces diplomatic costs as it reinforces state sovereignty by limiting the more intrusive and invasive forms of response, from other States or international actors, that may be required to halt genocide.¹

This Training Resource Manual for Genocide and Mass Atrocity Prevention in the Great Lakes Region of Africa, the first of its kind in the field, reflects and affirms this understanding by focusing on the preventive measures that can be applied to protect civilians from genocide and mass atrocity. This continuum of strategies includes preventing genocide from ever taking place, preventing further atrocities once genocide has begun, and preventing future atrocities once a society has begun to rebuild after genocide. Central is the notion that prevention does not end when the violence begins; rather prevention of genocide is a multilayered approach running throughout the preconflict, midconflict, and postconflict cycle. As Gareth Evans argues: "Prevention' language can reasonably be applied at *all* stages of the conflict cycle."

Let us contextualize this continuum of prevention strategies in an analogy. Imagine you are standing beside a river and see someone caught in the current and struggling for their life. You jump in and manage to pull the victim ashore. Just as you catch your

breath, however, another person in distress comes downstream... followed by another and another and another. Rather than remaining downstream and exhausting yourself on the rescue of individuals already in distress, you travel upstream to find the source of the problem. You may discover a hole in a bridge or perhaps the lack of a protective fence on a cliff. You have changed, though, the calculus of what prevention means—rather than expending your resources and energy on rescuing people in crisis, you can now try to stop the crisis at its source. Saving victims in crisis and fixing the source of the crisis are both forms of prevention—as is helping victims the moment they fall into the river rather than waiting until they have been swept downstream—each simply occurs at different stages of the process of prevention. Clearly, focusing prevention efforts on the source of the crisis, before it happens, is more efficient and less costly than managing the consequences of the crisis once it has occurred. You may not stop all of the people from falling into the river, at least not right away, but—by addressing the root cause—you have decreased the risk and there will be far fewer people to rescue downstream.

This analogy is uncomfortably close to the real-life tragedy of thousands of bodies, as many as one hundred an hour, washing down the Kagera River into Lake Victoria in Uganda—the second largest body of fresh water in the world—at the height of the Rwandan genocide. Except, in that case, the bodies had already lost their struggle for life. At that point, addressing the root cause of the problem upstream fell secondary to the severe downstream consequences in Uganda. A May 21, 1994 news report cited “the difficulty of fighting off the wild animals and dogs feeding on the bodies” as well as the “acute health hazard” caused by the decaying corpses washing ashore in southern Uganda or onto islands in Lake Victoria. Villagers in the region were warned to boil drinking water and to cook all fish thoroughly in order to prevent epidemics of cholera and other diseases.

Following a population-based health model in which the aim is the prevention of the disease of genocide and other mass atrocities, we can envision a continuum of prevention strategies—primary, secondary, and tertiary. Primary prevention is upstream prevention—fixing the hole in the bridge or constructing a protective barrier to prevent people from falling into the river. Upstream prevention is the “before” analysis of the longer-term governance, historical, economic, and societal factors that leave a country at risk for genocide and other mass atrocities and the inoculation avenues open to mitigating those risk factors. Secondary prevention is midstream prevention—the rescue of victims just as they hit the water but before they are swept further downstream. Midstream prevention “during” the crisis captures the immediate, real-time relief efforts—political, economic, legal, and military—that are direct crisis management tactics to slow, limit, or halt the mass violence. Finally, tertiary prevention is downstream prevention—the hopeful resuscitation of victims who were swept away because upstream or midstream prevention failed. Downstream prevention refers to the “after” efforts to foster resiliency by dealing with the acute long-term consequences of mass violence through pursuits of justice, truth, and memory to help stabilize, heal, and rehabilitate a post-genocide society. The strategies available to us for upstream prevention are far more numerous, and much less costly, than the available strategies for midstream



prevention once genocide has broken out or, even more so, for downstream prevention for rebuilding after the genocide is over.

While this continuum may give us a helpful framework from which to approach prevention, we should remember that mass atrocities are often more cyclical than linear. So upstream, midstream, and downstream prevention efforts work in an interconnected and synergistic, rather than isolated, fashion. In addition, most conflicts are an intricate tangle of preconflict, midconflict, and postconflict at any one time. As a result, the defining element of an upstream preventive approach, for example, is not “when” it takes place but rather that it seeks to address the underlying causes of conflict. “In theory, interventions to prevent conflict upstream can be undertaken at any point during the conflict cycle, even at the same time as measures to address the symptoms of conflict are also being carried out.” In short, these stages of prevention, and the measures involved in each, are complexly linked and state responsibility, buttressed by international assistance for capacity building, is threaded throughout all three stages of the continuum.

In his concluding chapter to *The Drowned and the Saved*, his last completed work, Auschwitz survivor Primo Levi reminds us of the importance of genocide and mass atrocity prevention. Written more than 40 years after the end of the Holocaust, Levi writes: “It happened, therefore it can happen again: this is the core of what we have to say. It can happen, and it can happen everywhere.” This quote is featured in the lobby of the information center at the Memorial to the Murdered Jews of Europe in Berlin, Germany. Left out, however, is the next sentence: “I do not intend to nor can I say that it will happen.” Although Levi was likely hedging his bets against the repetition of something so unthinkable—even as he admits in 1986 that “precursory signs loom before us” in several corners of the world—I believe he is also challenging us to recognize that even though genocide can happen again, it does not have to happen again. Genocide is not preordained, despite its persistent occurrence, as an inevitable reality of the human experience.

Over a quarter of a century later, in 2014, Adama Dieng echoed Levi’s concern, as well as his hope: “We must accept that there is no part of the world that can consider itself immune from the risk of genocide and all regions and all States must build resistance to these crimes... We owe to them [the millions of men and women who have lost their lives to genocide] and to ourselves and future generations to realize a world free of genocide. We are still far from that, but we aim to make it happen.” Although Levi and Dieng are separated by a vast crevasse of time, culture, and distance, together they push us to acknowledge our collective responsibility for doing what we can to prevent genocide from happening again. This training resource manual, by providing a wealth of learning materials to help expand our understanding of the scope and range of instruments and approaches to genocide and mass atrocity prevention, is an important step in advancing that collective responsibility.

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Introduction

Background

Prevention is gaining tremendous worldwide attention, for example, by international, regional and national bodies and civil society organizations, as opposed to costly and lengthy post genocide and mass atrocity interventions. At the same time, contested political processes to access state power, resource disparities and perceptions of discrimination continue to foment instability and violent conflicts within or between states and communities in many parts of the world. These conditions adversely bear on human life, freedoms, development, peace, and account for the fragility of states and their capacity to prevent the occurrence or recurrence of mass atrocities and genocide.

The legal and practical approaches necessary to advance prevention also continue to evolve through various works by, for example, the United Nations, inter-governmental bodies like the Africa Union and the International Conference on the Great Lakes Region, universities, international and local civil society organizations.

To this end, AIPR conducted a baseline assessment to determine capacity gaps and training needs towards the prevention of genocide and mass atrocities in the Great Lakes Region. Participants in the assessment were members of national mechanisms for the prevention of genocide from Burundi, The Republic of Congo, The Democratic Republic of Congo, Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda, and South Sudan. Others were selected from non-governmental organizations, academia and media. Academic papers, media reports and commentaries on various post-conflict interventions by practitioners in this field were also reviewed.

At the regional level, it was clear that countries, although signatories to relevant international or regional instruments, there is lack of sufficient knowledge and capacity (logistics, human, structures, policies, institutional frameworks etc) to implement

associated national and grassroots programs towards genocide and mass atrocity prevention. A number of instruments also reflect a lack of community level input, know-how on prevention, while others fall short of responding to coordination challenges.

At country level, it was observed that there are no clear policies developed to articulate or spell out country positions and institutionalized approaches to prevention. State-centric approaches were also found to be either out of touch with grassroots realities and lack legislation to support community level initiatives. This included, for example, lack of space for traditional and religious authorities to play prominent roles in prevention efforts, while their subjects also remain largely unaware of “how to prevent.”

At the civil society level, relationships between international and domestic organizations with host governments remain negative and efforts by states towards protection of citizens often fail to engage and integrate CSOs. Many organizations were also found lacking in knowledge and skills about how prevention should look like at the local level. This is despite the fact that CSOs tend to have stronger connections with communities because the critical gaps they fill in service delivery. Thus they are, in most cases, better suited to work to reduce tensions yet lack the capacity to effectively engage and provide guidance to their governments or communities on prevention.

Information collected was analyzed and this manual has been developed after the initial assessment revealed a lack of comprehensive resources offering information that can guide genocide and mass atrocity work in the region. The findings were also categorized into thematic areas, reflecting on the unique regional needs, skills, and knowledge gaps that were identified.

The Resource Manual

This online resource manual contains a collection of some of the existing resources that regional and national mechanisms can learn from and use as reference materials to gain insight into the nature and practice of prevention. The resources are in the form of legal and other instruments from the UN and regional bodies, research papers, recommendations, best practices and lessons learned, and reports from other forms of interventions in conflict situations.

Methodology

During the compilation of this manual, a range of qualitative research methods was employed including document reviews and group discussions. While conducting the base line assessment focus group discussions, document reviews and structured interviews were conducted with key informants in this field both in the Great Lakes Region and other areas of the world. Extensive desk and internet based research was used for the compilation of the actual resource manual.

Who will use the Resource Manual?

The main objective of the manual is to provide an extensive and comprehensive list of learning resources, including legal instruments, scholarly articles, reports from international and civil society organization, governments, etc. Therefore the resources will be used by a variety of audiences including;

- State and civil society leaders and policy makers
- Religious and traditional leaders
- Program officers, trainers and facilitators
- Women, youth and the general public

Note for use of the Manual

This is a manual containing some of the existing resources already developed and published by authors as indicated by the links provided. It is not a one-stop center for approaches, answers or guidelines to the prevention of genocide and mass atrocities. Users are therefore advised to use these resources as a starting point towards further research and training, or as reference material while undertaking their own work. The information contained should as much as possible be adapted to the unique circumstances and needs the user may encounter.

Prevention of genocide and mass atrocities is a multilayered approach running throughout the pre-, mid-, and post-conflict cycle. It is therefore advisable to conduct a local needs assessment to determine the most appropriate preventive intervention i.e. depending on whether the level of conflict. That way, these resources can be helpful during analysis, imagining an intervention, or identifying suitable partnerships and collaboration towards any preventive work.

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Chapter 5: Skills for Handling of Genocide and Mass Atrocity Prevention

- i. Planning and Implementation of Genocide Prevention
- ii. Leadership and Communication Skills for Genocide Prevention
- iii. Dialogue, Mediation and Advocacy: Breaking the Barriers of Genocide Prevention
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- v. Building Partnerships for Genocide Prevention
- vi. Managing Gender Sensitivity during Genocide Prevention
- vii. Monitoring and Evaluation for Genocide Prevention

Chapter 6: Thematic Issues



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Conclusion

Chapter 1: The Practice of Genocide Prevention

Genocide and mass atrocity prevention is a collective enterprise, where the knowledge and implementation of relevant interventions must be realistic and sustainably practical. This occurs through the application of relevant policies, social, political and economic reforms, education and training, public awareness and sensitization, and other projects targeting vulnerable groups. It is done by states, organizations and individuals with a clear commitment to prevention at international, regional, national and grassroots levels.

In the practice of prevention, the above differentiation helps in the articulation of complementary roles that together should demonstrate a shared responsibility to prevent between levels of actors. This is because crimes of genocide and mass atrocities require various operational and legal approaches to produce different but complementary experiences and institutional responses to protect vulnerable communities and victims in potential or actual contexts of genocide or mass atrocities.

The following resources help to explain genocide and prevention as concepts, articulate associated processes, risk factors, and indicators, and provide experiences of prevention as a practice from a human rights, security, justice and peacebuilding perspectives. Other experiences contain lessons learned from early warning systems, including data collection and verification challenges that may compromise effective prevention. Other resources focus on how to prevent by providing practitioners, policy makers and citizens with policy options, guidelines and practices for effective implementation of prevention, including the Responsibility to Protect, are made available in the following chapters.

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Chapter 2: Genocide Prevention and the State: Roles and Approaches

The scale and depth of genocide and mass atrocity crimes afflicted on victim communities by individual perpetrators may be facilitated by the protective shield of the state. National policies, the judiciary, security sector, political ideology, systems and structures of the state can shield, but can also function to prevent these crimes.

This chapter contains resources covering a range of initiatives, instruments and other approaches to guide engaging states and state actors towards being able to prevent genocide and mass atrocities at communal, national and regional/international levels. The resources outlined under this chapter focus on establishing and managing national structures and committees, strategies for developing relevant national policies, best practices and new tools for policy makers to prevent and respond to genocide and mass atrocities. More resources are also provided that contain strategies and approaches to the domestication and application of international instruments, genocide and mass atrocity risk assessments, analysis, and other various UN, African Union and regional instruments that can be applied to contribute to prevention. The chapter also highlights approaches to working with government structures, especially local governments at county, sub-county, parish and village levels.

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AFRICAN UNION

In 2001, member states signed into effect the Constitutive Act establishing the African Union. The AU aims to promote the human rights of the African People and peace, security and stability in the continent. Article 4 (h) of the constitutive act also reaffirms the norm of 'responsibility to protect' in regards to the prevention of genocide and crimes against humanity.

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- Protocol on Democracy and Good Governance
- Protocol on Judicial Cooperation
- Protocol for the Prevention and the Punishment of the Crime of Genocide, War Crimes and Crimes against Humanity and all forms of Discrimination
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This chapter provides resources concerning working with the civil society involving political, religious, traditional and non-governmental organizations, and those working with vulnerable groups like women, youth, minorities and grassroots communities. The resources highlight various roles and approaches towards genocide and mass atrocity prevention, including engaging in early prevention, interfacing with the state and political leaders in governance and democratization processes, violence prevention and peace building. They also cover faith-based and traditional approaches to mediation, conflict transformation, reconciliation and post-conflict reconstruction.

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[All Party Parliamentary Group for the Prevention of Genocide and Other Crimes Against Humanity](#)

[Auschwitz Institute for Peace and Reconciliation](#) (AIPR)

[Center for Peacebuilding](#) (CIM), Bosnia and Herzegovina

[Coalition for the International Criminal Court](#) (CICC)

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Early warning systems help to provide accurate, timely and useful information for identifying and tracking escalation of hostilities towards genocide and mass atrocities. Prevention occurs when results from assessment of risks are utilized to develop and implement relevant policies, tools, projects and other interventions, early enough to transform relationships, respond to root causes, and de-escalate the conflict. The following are some of the resources that can guide working with the states, international and regional organizations, and the civil society to achieve early warning, and to be able to provide early responses. The resources provide a range of systems and approaches that can be incorporated into policies and programs tailored for preventing violence and mass killings.

Particularly, the resources cover conceptual and empirical dilemmas of early warning and early response, and also observations, best practices and lessons learnt from application of associated systems. They also include case studies that indicate strategies, methodology and possible tools for early warning in genocidal conditions, including unique perspectives on gender-based and community level approaches. Information is also provided on approaches to qualitative and quantitative data collection, analysis and verification, documentation and reporting. Finally the resources contain guidance on limitations of EW and ER, and offer some recommendations and options for redress.

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- [Micro-Thesauri](#)
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Strengthening the knowledge and skills to analyze and manage interventions in genocidal and mass atrocity situations is at the heart of effective prevention programs and projects. Experts, state and non-state actors engaging in efforts to develop associated policies, laws and projects should understand the whole of the conflict process they are dealing with, to be able to determine and appropriately manage the necessary interventions. Skills in prevention should guide state, community and civil society leaders to be conflict sensitive and to integrate preventive measures in social, political and economic development initiatives. The aim is to prioritize prevention of escalation of hostilities and being able to terminate protracted conflict processes through well-tailored programming and management processes.

The following resources provide knowledge drawn from a range of disciplines e.g. management science, political science, international relations, psychology, and non-traditional processes e.g. needs assessment, early warning and response, to guide towards the necessary skills and approaches to prevention of genocide and mass atrocities. The resources also focus on both structural and relational elements and approaches to planning and management of prevention, and in that way provide a holistic guide to implementing all-inclusive interventions that are informed by all factors in the conflict situation.

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Situations of genocide and mass atrocities contain a complex relationship between historical, social, political and cultural factors on which mass killings and other crimes intended to destroy a group are predicated. The emerging multi-level and multi-dimensional genocide prevention architecture around the world seeks to craft complementary solutions to disable these key factors from being exploited to mobilize for violence, and to create awareness and sensitivity about them.

This chapter contains various resources organized under thematic areas to provide a conceptual and operational terrain to help shape possible interventions to terminate genocidal processes. For example, considering the role of the state in existing cases of organized, deliberate, and targeted mass killings, the resources cover rule of law, economic conditions of especially peasants, governance and conflict indicators, democracy, etc.

Other themes covered through a prevention perspective include land and electoral conflicts, human rights, advocacy and treatment of victims and perpetrators after genocide and mass atrocities, and the roles of the judiciary, technology, media, traditional methods, and memorization in genocide prevention. The resources considered under reconciliation provide lessons learned and recommendations towards prevention, especially from truth-seeking commissions (e.g. in Rwanda and Kenya).

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Conclusion

This resource manual has attempted to provide learning materials to help expand understanding of the scope and range of instruments and approaches to genocide and mass atrocity prevention. AIPR recognizes and appreciates the works and contributions of individuals, institutions, organizations, and efforts of all involved that have made it possible to develop and publish these resources. We are hopeful that organizing them into a single resource and presenting them thematically will make easy reference for governments, international organizations, national mechanisms and civil society organizations to guide the development and implementation of more effective interventions towards prevention.

AIPR works to build a world that prevents genocide and mass atrocity crimes. Sustained application of the tools, frameworks and other guidelines contained in these resources, and sharing of experiences in how they contribute to guide practitioners towards effective prevention will help create a more informed and effective genocide and mass atrocity prevention community. We are also hopeful that partnerships, networks and collaborations between users and producers of these resources will emerge to expand the practice of prevention across disciplines and fields of works.

The next phase in this effort is to develop a Training Manual for Genocide and Mass Atrocity Prevention. In lieu of the provision of thematically organized genocide prevention resources, this Training Manual will provide more detailed, narrative instruction taking into account lessons learned from the application of this Training Resource Manual. We therefore encourage and invite users of this resource manual to exchange ideas and to give feedback to AIPR about identified gaps, needs, priorities and how to best to customize the Training Manual to develop skills and improve effectiveness of prevention efforts especially in vulnerable and victim communities. Please use the contacts provided on this website for such communication and other relevant opinions.

In this regard, regional, country and community-specific experiences and observations will be most appreciated, to ensure the next step captures and is well tailored to appropriately respond to the needs of each working environment. For example, the type



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of curriculum for short courses for government officials, civil society and community leaders, as well as training courses for practitioners in the field of genocide and mass atrocity prevention.

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