



**BUDAPEST CENTRE  
FOR THE INTERNATIONAL  
PREVENTION OF GENOCIDE  
AND MASS ATROCITIES**

# **"V 4 PREVENTION"**

## **SERIES OF WORKSHOPS IN VISEGRAD GROUP TO PREVENT MASS ATROCITIES**

**Fourth workshop**

**5 - 7 October 2015**

**UNIVERSITY OF WARSAW  
Krakowskie Przedmieście 26/28, 00-927  
Warsaw, Poland**

**Presentation**

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**Draft programme**

## Background

The latest events regarding international terrorism have once again set high on the agenda of governments and regional organizations, including the European Union, the issues of respect and promotion of human rights, prevention of mass atrocity crimes (genocide, war crimes, ethnic cleansing and crimes against humanity) as well as development and operationalization of the Responsibility to Protect as adopted at the UN World Summit in 2005.

The UN and the EU have pursued as a common goal to raising awareness and building skills, both at the national and regional levels, in order to facilitate the global implementation of the abovementioned objectives.

In this regard, since the change of regime occurred in 1989-1990, members of the Visegrad Group have been cooperating in several fields of common regional interest, further developing their collaboration within the EU. Among these areas of shared concern, prevention of violent conflicts and mass atrocities generated new possibilities for regional cooperation.

This series of workshops launched by the Budapest Centre for the International Prevention of Genocide and Mass Atrocities in partnership with the Milan Simecka Foundation, Slovakia, Transitions, Czech Republic and the University of Gdansk, Poland and supported by the International Visegrad Fund offer a good opportunity for building a common preventive framework in the region.

The first workshop took place in Budapest in January 2014, the second in Bratislava in July 2014, and the third in Prague in February 2015.

The workshops aim at:

- Building skills related to prevention of mass atrocities in the Visegrad Group;
- Contributing to the efforts of the international community to effectively address the threat of mass atrocities;
- Strengthening expertise and knowledge of mass atrocities prevention in EU institutions and governments, academia and among the youth of Member States;
- Encouraging the International Community to act in concert;
- Promoting dialogue between international institutions, governments, academia and civil society on current issues and tasks related to RtoP;
- Creating national networks for the implementation of mass atrocities preventative strategies.

## Implementation

The number of participants of each exercise will be limited to twenty, including one representative of each member state of the Visegrad Group not hosting the training.

The project targets mainly the staffs in the Ministries of Defence, Interior, Foreign affairs, Justice and the Intelligence Services, being these potential participants in international peace-building and preventative activities, as well as researchers and civil society.

The Budapest Centre and its Czech partner Transitions will provide experts who will deliver lectures and facilitate the workshop. In doing so, the Budapest Centre will rely on national capacities as much as possible.

All workshops will be highly interactive, paying special attention to sharing knowledge, experience and best practices, assessing capacities in institutional and national mechanisms and identifying ways for enhancing collaboration.

Each programme will be tailored to national requirements, taking timely issues into account.

No fees will be charged for participation of Visegrad Countries participants. Organizers will provide meals and material to each attendee.

The workshops will be held in English and will require basic computer skills.

A certificate of attendance will be conferred to all trainees provided that they participate to the entire programme of the workshop.



## Programme

<b>Sunday 4 October 2015</b>	Arrival of staff / Arrival of participants	
<b>Monday 5 October 2015</b>		
<b>Morning session</b>	What are genocide and mass atrocities?	
<b>8,30 - 9,00</b>	Registration of participants	
<b>9,00 - 9,20</b>	Introductory session - Presentation of the programme	Gyorgy Tatar, Budapest Centre / Representative, Polish MFA / Representative University of Warsaw, NOHA
<b>9,20 - 10,00</b>	Presentation of the participants	Mark Barwick, Human Rights Without Frontiers International
<b>10,00 - 10,30</b>	Historical and contemporary examples of genocide	Enzo M. Le Fevre Cervini, Budapest Centre
<b>10,30 - 11,00</b>	Coffee break	
<b>11,00 - 13,00</b>	Legal and practical tools for prevention and punishment of genocide and mass atrocities at national and international level	Enzo M. Le Fevre Cervini, Budapest Centre
<b>13,00 - 14,00</b>	Lunch	
<b>Afternoon session</b>	Addressing threats	
<b>14,00 - 15,30</b>	Countering extremism and hate speech in Poland with an outlook to the region	Aleksandra Gliszczyńska-Grabias
<b>15,30 - 16,00</b>	Coffee break	
<b>16,00 - 17,00</b>	Countering antisemitism in Poland with an outlook on the region	Polish Expert (TBC)
<b>17,00 - 18,00</b>	EU capabilities to prevent mass atrocities	Gyorgy Tatar, Budapest Centre
<b>Tuesday 6 October 2015</b>		
<b>Morning session</b>	How to prevent?	
<b>8,30 - 9,00</b>	Warm up discussion	Mark Barwick, Human Rights Without Frontiers International
<b>9,00 - 10,30</b>	Risk assessment of atrocity crimes: the methodology developed by the UN Office of the Special Adviser to Prevent Genocide	Mario Buil-Merce, UN Office of the Special Adviser on the Prevention of Genocide
<b>10,30 - 11,00</b>	Coffee break	



<b>11,00 - 12,30</b>	(Exercise) Assessment of specific country situations from an atrocity crime perspective and identification of possible options for response	Mario Buil-Merce, UN Office of the Special Adviser on the Prevention of Genocide
<b>12,30 - 14,00</b>	Lunch	
<b>Afternoon session</b>	Tools for response	
<b>14,00 - 15,00</b>	Practice of Open Source Intelligence in the Early Warning activities in European External Action Service	Cornelia Kratochvil, Security Policy and Conflict Prevention Directorate, EEAS
<b>15,00 - 16,00</b>	Conflict Prevention and Early Warning: The OSCE's Toolbox	David Campion, Conflict Prevention Centre, Operations Service, OSCE
<b>16,00 - 16,30</b>	Coffee break	
<b>16,30 - 17,30</b>	Dialogue and Mediation - tools for addressing situations at risk	Mark Barwick, Budapest Centre
<b>17,30 - 18,00</b>	Preparation for Country X	Mark Whitlock
<b>Wednesday 7 October 2015</b>		
<b>Morning session</b>	Prevention in practice	
<b>8,30 - 9,00</b>	Warm up discussion	Mark Barwick, Budapest Centre
<b>9,00 - 13,00</b>	Country X simulation	Mark Whitlock & Tucker Harding
<b>13,00 - 14,00</b>	Lunch	
<b>Afternoon session</b>	Building up capabilities	
<b>14,00 - 15,00</b>	Country X simulation debriefing	Mark Whitlock & Tucker Harding
<b>15,00 - 15,30</b>	Coffee break	
<b>Final session</b>		
<b>15,30 - 16,30</b>	Lessons learned during the training focusing on the development of national capabilities	Enzo M. Le Fevre Cervini, Budapest Centre