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10th AWG Seminar

Conflict in the Post-Independence South Sudan: What Went Wrong?

Guest Speaker: Mr. Reuben Galang
Discussant: Mr. Boniface Njereses Beti

When: Friday, February 12, 2016 @ 11:00 AM.
Where: Department of Peace and Conflict Studies, Faculty of Graduate Studies, University of Manitoba
Board Room, Arthur Mauro Centre for Peace and Justice, St Paul's College.

About Reuben Galang



Reuben Galang is one of the Lost Boys/Girls of Sudan; a group of children who were displaced from their villages and integrated in Civil War as child soldiers in the 1980s. He holds a Bachelor of Science and Master's degree in Sustainable Development Practice from the University of Winnipeg. Reuben is a father of 4 children and works as policy analyst for the Premier Advisory Council. Reuben will be drawing on personal observations to provide an insider perspective on the conflict in South Sudan.

About Boniface Njereses Beti



Boniface Beti has over nine years of experience in peacebuilding work in Africa, for which he combined participatory artistic theatre research with traditional elements of African meditation to help people in conflict reflect on their experiences and create peace narratives at the grassroots. Boniface has worked as part of a regional technical team on trauma and resilience with support from the USAID. He is co-founder of Amani People's Theatre (APT), where he has developed grassroots peacebuilding training tools with community leaders and activists in conflict zones in Kenya, South Sudan, Somalia, Northern Uganda, Liberia, Ethiopia, Sierra Leone, Fiji, Rwanda, Burundi and Papua New Guinea. He has participated in, and contributed to, policy forums at the African Union, Saferworld, and the International Security Studies Institute. Boniface holds a BA in communications from Daystar University, Kenya, a MA in international relations from the United States International University for Africa, Kenya, and is currently enrolled in the MA program in peace and conflict studies at the University of Manitoba. Boniface was in South Sudan, working on the *Stabilization Project*, sponsored by USAID, when the destructive conflict started. He will share his observations relative to the conflict with the audience.

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