

WINTER 2022 Newsletter

Update from the President

Dear Colleagues,

As we near the end of 2022, we are all saddened by the continuation of the invasion of Ukraine. Many countries are now involved in helping Ukrainians in place and the refugees who have had to leave Ukraine. We are so impressed by the number of groups stepping in to assist the refugees. The American tennis player Arthur Ashe said:

“True heroism is remarkably sober, very undramatic. It is not the urge to surpass all others at whatever cost, but the urge to serve others at whatever cost.”

The IPRA Foundation has just granted four new Peace Research grants. These grants have been awarded to:

[Mario Cépeda Cáceres](#) from Peru

[Orelia Jonathan](#) from South Sudan

[Stephen Asol Kapinde](#) from Kenya

Tarela Juliet Ike from Nigeria

More information about these wonderful scholars may be found on our website. We are very excited to see the results of their research.

Just a reminder to everyone that the Senesh Fellowship application process closes on January 15, 2023. Please encourage eligible scholars to apply.

Lastly, as we close out 2022 with all the financial ups and downs we have seen around the world, it is more important than ever for the Foundation to receive donations. These scholars really need all the assistance we can offer them. Please think about sending a donation before the end of the year. We greatly appreciate any size donation.

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Sincerely,

Linda

Dr. Linda M. Johnston
President, IPRA Foundation



2023 IPRA Conference NEWS

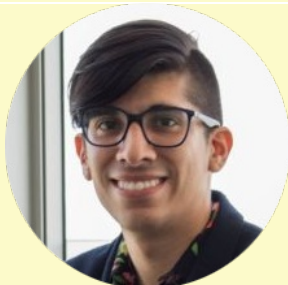
- The next **IPRA Conference** will take place in Trinidad & Tobago **May 17–21, 2023!** The conference is titled *Rooted Futures: Visions of Peace and Justice*, and the new [IPRA 2023 website](#) has all the exciting details.
- “The conference aims, as does IPRA and the field of peace studies itself, to promote dialogue across disciplines. Diverse formats and activities are encouraged, and ongoing relationships will be nurtured. In so doing, [IPRA 2023] promises to be a site of critical dialogue, reflection, and action—a truly unique and urgently needed opportunity to advance progressive justice and peacebuilding strategies.”

Peace Research Grants

We are proud to have two funding cycles per year. We provide up to a \$5,000 grant to *peace researchers around the world*.

- Click here for more information about the [Peace Research Grant](#) and our previous recipients.
- The next application cycle opens January 1 and closes February 28, 2023.
- Please contact our Grants and Scholarship Coordinator, Crystal Money (ipraf.crystal@gmail.com) with any questions.

Our four most recent PRG awardees from December 2022 now have informative webpages about their work! (Please click the links below.)



[Mario R. Cépeda Cáceres](#) is from Peru. His project is titled *Understanding Violence and Death Spaces: An ethnographic reading of peace on the aftermath of the Peruvian Armed Conflict*.



[Orelia Jonathan](#) is from South Sudan. Her project is titled *Teaching Toward Peace?: Teachers Experiences Teaching Secondary School History in South Sudan*



[Stephen Kapinde](#) is from Kenya. His project is titled *Mixing Religious Logics in Peacebuilding: An Integrated Inter-Faith Approach to Counter-Violent Extremism in Kenya.*



Tarela Juliet Ike is from Nigeria. Her project is titled *Group-integrated Cognitive Behavioral Therapy to Aid Communities' Reintegration of De-Radicalized Former Boko Haram Members and Their Families in Nigeria: A randomized control trial.*

Senesh Fellowship News

[The Dorothy Marchus Senesh Fellowship](#) provides two biennial (every other year) fellowships awarded to *women from the developing world* for studies in the field of peace.

- The Fellowships provide \$5,000 per year for two years for both women, for a total of \$10,000 each.
- This Senesh Fellowship application cycle opened October 1, 2022 and closes January 15, 2023.
- *Please encourage eligible scholars to apply!*
- Contact our Administrative Assistant, Philip Armour (seneshfellowship@iprafoundation.org) with any questions.

Emerging Peace Research

- The new issue of *Journal of Aggression, Conflict and Peace Research* (Volume 14, Issue 4) has published a Special Issue with Guest Editors Linda M. Johnston and Zahid Shahab Ahmed—both members of the IPRA Foundation Executive Committee of the Board of Directors—on the topic of "Emerging Peace Research." This Special Issue is Part 1 of
- *Click here to read their work:*
<https://www.emerald.com/insight/publication/issn/1759-6599/vol/14/iss/4>

Past Newsletters

Please take a look at our brand new [Newsletters](#) webpage!

The IPRA Foundation first started publishing occasional newsletters in 2013 and this ePublication is now published quarterly to describe the important work of the foundation, provide notifications about upcoming conferences, and highlight our grantees' articles, publications and successes in their work and careers as peace researchers. With this new webpage resource, scholars can link the newsletter announcement of their grant to articles regarding their work with the IPRA Foundation.

Mission, Vision, and Core Values

Mission

The mission of the IPRA Foundation is to advance the field of peace research through rigorous investigation into the causes of conflict and examination of alternatives to violence. Peace researchers inform peace activities that inspire visions of a peaceful world.

Vision

The vision of the IPRA Foundation is to:

- Inspire visions of a peaceful world
- Promote knowledge of non-violent peace strategies
- Increase the number of peace scholars around the world
- Encourage peace science and arts
- Grow worldwide communication and collaboration among peace researchers
- Further the purpose and activities of IPRA

CORE VALUES

- Impactful and socially relevant research: We value original research, and peace activities informed by that research, that contributes to the world community and engages key stakeholders.
- Positive Peace: We value peace and justice by nonviolent means.
- Respect: We value respecting dignity, humanity, identity and diversity.
- Empowerment: We value research by people of and within the most vulnerable and marginalized areas of our world community.

Support Peace Research in these challenging times—we need it more than ever!

The current challenges of the world stem from a variety of systemic and institutional concerns, but at the end of the day, we need to understand the underlying issues in a way that only consistent research can provide. Please consider donating to the IPRA Foundation this year to help continue the much needed funding for researchers all over the world.

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