

WINTER 2023 Newsletter

Update from the President

Dear Colleagues,

With the world now dealing with war on two fronts, the work of the IPRA Foundation becomes even more important. The war in Ukraine has lasted over eighteen months with no end in sight, and now the intense anguish of the situation in Israel and Palestine dominates the news. The research that each of our scholars undertakes can hopefully provide insight on how to prevent these catastrophes in the future. Work done in one area of the world can also help inform us in another.

The Foundation has recently chosen two new Peace Research Grant recipients. Please see below for more information about them and their research.

[Angela Ajodo-Adebanjoko](#) from Nigeria

"The Role of Traditional Institutions in Mitigating Herder-Farmer Conflict in Northcentral Nigeria"

[canan coşkan](#) from Turkey and Bakur Kurdistan

"Anticolonial Resistance for a Dignified Peace in Diaspora: Identity and Understandings of Power among Kurds in Belgium"

Just a reminder that Peace Research Grant applications open again on January 1, 2024. Please encourage scholars whose research lends itself to peace to apply for a grant.

Dr. Linda M. Johnston
President, IPRA Foundation



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 29, 2024.
- Please contact our Grants Coordinator, Crystal Money (ipraf.crystal@gmail.com) with any questions.

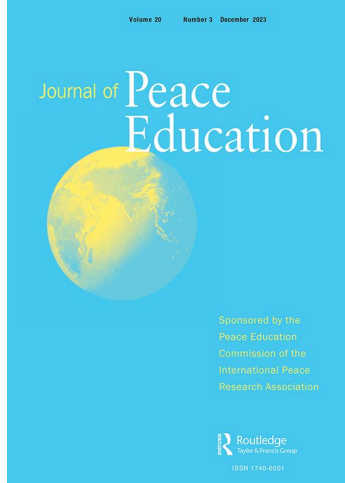
Our two most recent PRG recipients now have informative webpages about their work. (Please click the links below.)



[Angela Ajodo-Adebanjoko](#) (Nigeria) - *"The Role of Traditional Institutions in Mitigating Herder-Farmer Conflict in Northcentral Nigeria"*



[canan coşkan](#) (Turkey and Bakur Kurdistan) - *"Anticolonial Resistance for a Dignified Peace in Diaspora: Identity and Understandings of Power among Kurds in Belgium"*



The Journal of Peace Education features a variety of articles promoting the discussion of peace research and education. The most recent volume can be found [here](#).



Peace & Change publishes articles on a wide variety of peace-related topics. The most recent volume can be found [here](#),

IPRAF Grantees Present at CIES Western Regional Conference

Two IPRA Foundation Peace Research Grantees presented their IPRAF-funded research at the recent CIES Western Regional Conference "Education, Migration & Human Rights" from October 27-29, 2023 in Pacific Grove, California.

[Arianna Pacifico](#) presented her research entitled "*Promoting social cohesion and peace through policies of inclusion: A comparative case study of refugee education in Lebanon and Turkey*" and [Danielle Falk](#) presented her research entitled "*Agents of Peace: The Lived Experiences of Teachers Working Amidst Forced Displacement and Protracted Conflict in South Sudan and Uganda*".

Their panel, "*The promises and pitfalls of national inclusion: Critical reflections on policies and practices for teachers and learners across diverse contexts*", featured a total of five presenters including Mary Mendenhall, Jihae Cha and Daniel Shephard.

Congratulations Arianna and Danni!



Panel Presenters: Daniel Shephard, Danielle Falk, Jihae Cha, Mary Mendenhall, and Arianna Pacifico



Past Newsletters

Please take a look at our [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

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.

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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