



CONFERENCE PROGRAMME: FEDERALISM, DECENTRALIZATION AND CONFLICT

DEPARTMENT OF INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT, UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD
5-7 OCTOBER 2006

THURSDAY 5 OCTOBER

17.00 – 19.00 **Keynote Address:** Three Ways to Make a Constitution
Professor Donald Horowitz, James B Duke Professor of Law and Political
Science, Duke University
Nissan Institute Lecture Theatre, St Antony's College

FRIDAY 6 OCTOBER

8.30 – 9.00 Registration + Coffee

9.00 – 9.30 **Welcome Address** – Frances Stewart, Director CRISE

9.30 – 11.00 **Panel I: Federalism and Conflict: Case studies and comparative perspectives**
Must pluri-national federations fail? John McGarry, Professor and Canada
Research Chair in Nationalism and Democracy, Queen's University
(with Brendan O'Leary)

The federal dilemma in Africa: The Nigerian experience in comparative perspective Rotimi Suberu, University of Ibadan

Federalism and conflict resolution in Sri Lanka
Rohan Edrisinha, University of Colombo

Federalism and conflict: A conditional relationship?
Jean-Pierre Tranchant, CERDI

Chair: Frances Stewart, CRISE
Commentator: Graham Brown, CRISE

11.00 – 11.30 Coffee Break

11.30 – 13.00 **Panel II: Decentralization, Poverty and Conflict**
Decentralization, poverty reduction and human security in Ghana
Gordon Crawford, University of Leeds

Passing on the problem or prescribing a solution in diverse regions? Power sharing, decentralization and conflict dynamics in Central Sulawesi, Indonesia,
Rachael Diprose, CRISE

Decentralisation of economic planning in India: an evaluation of its potential to unleash latent distributional conflict, Martina Pignatti Morano, Sienna University

Decentralization as response to conflict: The Case of Macedonia,
Risto Karajkov, University of Bologna

Chair: Yvan Guichaoua, CRISE
Commentator: Rosemary Thorp, CRISE



13.00 – 14.00 Lunch

14.00 – 15.30 **Panel III: Federalism, Decentralization and Inequality**
Decentralizing injustice? Center-periphery relations and local governance in Aceh, Samuel Clark and Patrick Barron, World Bank Indonesia
Federalism and intrastate struggles: The role of diversity and disparity, Kristin M. Bakke, University of Washington (with Erik Wibbels)
State structures, inequality and conflict in Rwanda: 1992-2005, Kade Finnoff, University of Massachusetts
Adding fuel to the fire? Natural resources and conflict in Nigeria, Yvan Guichaoua, CRISE

Chair: Stephen Castles, University of Oxford
Commentator: Luca Mancini, CRISE

15.30 – 16.00 Coffee Break

16.00 – 17.30 **Panel IV: Local Politics, Violence and Political Change**
Communal conflict and decentralization in Indonesia, Gerry van Klinken, KITLV
How village-based development can reduce conflict in Vietnam, Andrew Catford, RMIT University
Ethiopian federalism: Autonomy and conflicts in the Somali Region, Asnake Kefale, University of Leiden

Chair: Raufu Mustapha, University of Oxford
Commentator: Corinne Caumartin, CRISE

19.00 **Conference Dinner:** Chiang Mai Kitchen, High Street, Oxford

SATURDAY 7 OCTOBER

8.30 – 9.00 Coffee

9.00 – 10.30 **Panel V: Special Autonomy and Complex Power-Sharing**
The emerging practice of "complex power-sharing" in the settlement of self-determination conflicts, Stefan Wolff, University of Nottingham
The role played by 'power-sharing' in promoting and maintaining the principles of the Good Friday/Belfast Agreement, Matt Cannon, University of Limerick
Special autonomy as a conflict resolution mechanism: The experience of Southeast Asia, Graham Brown, CRISE

Chair: Rosemary Thorp, University of Oxford
Commentator: Matthew Gibney, University of Oxford

10.30 – 11.00 Coffee Break



- 11.00 – 12.30 **Panel VI: Internal Borders and Ethnic Cleavages**
East Sulawesi Province? Decentralization policy and politics of transcending boundaries in Eastern Indonesia, Riwanto Tirtosudarmo, Indonesian Institute of the Sciences
The creation of local government areas and ethnic conflict in Nigeria: The case of Warri, Delta State, Ukoha Ukiwo, CRISE
The limitations of non-consociational federalism - the example of Pakistan, Katharine Adeney, University of Sheffield
Decentralization, district creation and conflict in Uganda, Elliott Green, LSE
Chair: Graham Brown, CRISE
Commentator: Raufu Mustapha, University of Oxford
- 12.30 – 14.00 Lunch
- 14.00 – 15.45 **Roundtable Discussion**
Donald Horowitz
Riwanto Tirtosudarmo
Rotimi Suberu
Laurence Whitehead
Chair: Frances Stewart
- 15.45 Tea, Coffee, and Departures