
The Villa Decius Association international conference



Rebuilding Peace in Post-conflict Communities

Role of Media and Civil Organisations

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Consulate General of the US in Krakow

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29 - 30 September 2004

Villa Decius, Krakow

The aim of the conference is to present issues and solutions connected with rebuilding peace and bringing back stability to post-conflict communities, focusing on the role of outstanding authorities, international institutions and organisations, media and NGOs.

The conference is a continuation of **BRIDGES OF TOLERANCE** program, a joint initiative of the Consulate General of the United States of America in Krakow, the ZNAK Foundation, the onet.pl internet portal and the Villa Decius Association.

CONFERENCE PROGRAM

29 September 2004

Conflict – places and sources. Transformation for peace – conditions.

9.30 – Welcome – ***Danuta Glondys***, *Director of the Villa Decius Association*

9.40 – Opening

Prof. Jacek Woźniakowski, *Chairman of the Villa Decius Association*

Victor Ashe, *Ambassador of the United States of America to Poland*

Jaime Ruiz de Santiago, *UNHCR Chief Representative to Poland*

10.10 – **Sergio Vieira de Mello and his mission.**

Marcelo Andrade de Moraes Jardim, *Ambassador of Brazil in Poland*

10.30 – Inauguration lecture: Genesis and areas of conflicts at the turn of the 21st century.

Prof. Adam Daniel Rotfeld, *State Secretary of Polish Ministry of Foreign Affairs*

Moderator: Katarzyna Kolenda-Zaleska, TVN

11.00 – Panel debate I:

International institutions and tools of mediation. Supporting the process of building peace.

Bakhtiar Amin, *2004 Minister for Human Rights, Iraq*

Jan Kavan, *former Deputy Prime Minister of the Czech Republic, 2002/2003*

Chairman of the General Assembly of UN

Jaime Ruiz de Santiago, *UNHCR Chief Representative to Poland*

Prof. Michael Daxner, *Principal International Officer for Education and Science of UN Mission in Kosovo, current Advisor to Afghanistan Minister of Education*

12.15 – Discussion

12.45 – Coffee break

Moderator: Katarzyna Kolenda-Zaleska

13.00 – Panel debate II:

Regime of democracy and the pressure of dialogue.

Sikose Mji, Ambassador of the Republic of South Africa to Poland

Róża Thun, President of Polish R. Schuman Foundation

Krzysztof Śliwiński, Ambassador of Poland, former Ambassador to Morocco and the Republic of South Africa

14.00 – Discussion

14.30 – Introducing an exhibition: *Poland for Protection of Cultural Heritage of Iraq*

Col. Krzysztof Sałaciński, Director of Bureau of Defence Matters, Polish Ministry of Culture

Marek Lemiesz, Archaeological Museum, Poznań

15.00 – Lunch break

Moderator: Prof. Andrzej Kapiszewski, Jagiellonian University, former Polish Ambassador to the United Arab Emirates

16.00 – Panel debate III:

International experiences in terminating conflicts.

Possibilities of cooperation between the international community and local administration and media.

Tadeusz Mazowiecki, 1989/1990 Prime Minister of Poland, 1992-95 Special Rapporteur of the Commission on Human Rights to the former Yugoslavia

Lt. Gen. Mieczysław Bieniek, 2003/2004 Commander of Multinational Division S.C. – Iraq, Commander of 2nd Mechanized Corps

Maj. Gen. William L. Nash, US Army, Retired; Director of the Center for Preventive Action, Council on Foreign Relations

17.00 – Discussion

17.30 – Show of documentary films by **Mariusz Pilis** and **Marcin Mamoń**.

Meeting with the film directors.

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Media and international organisations – terminating conflicts and restoration of a state.

*Moderator: **Katarzyna Kolenda-Zaleska***

9.00 – Panel debate I:

Reporting and analysing conflicts – limits of freedom of speech.

Milica Pesic, *Director of Media Diversity Institute, London*

Krystyna Kurczab-Redlich, *free lance journalist*

Dariusz Bohatkiewicz, *TVP*

Marcin Mamoń, *documentary film director, documentary reporter*

Adam Szostkiewicz, *Polityka National Weekly*

10.15 – Discussion

10.45 – Coffee break

*Moderator: **Arne Ruth**, former editor in chief of Dagens Nyheter, Stockholm Helsinki Committee*

11.00 – Panel debate II:

Diplomacy or propaganda - towards terminating conflicts in the media.

George Mansour, 2003 Director of Iraqi TV

Jerzy Marek Nowakowski, Wprost National Weekly

Mariusz Pilis, free lance documentary film producer

Tomasz Bielecki, Gazeta Wyborcza, National Daily

12.15 – Discussion

12.45 – Coffee break

13.00 – Panel Debate III:

**Tasks of international institutions and organisations in transformation
of a post-conflict state. Necessity of democratisation?**

Janina Ochojska, President of Polish Humanitarian Organisation

Antonio Tarelli, Minister Plenipotentiary and Special Envoy of Italian Diplomatic
Service, former Italian Ambassador to Macedonia

Andriy Pavlishin, Amnesty International, Ukraine

Agnieszka Kosowicz, External Relations Officer of UNHCR

14.15 – Discussion

14.45 – Break

15.00 – Jury verdict: SERGIO VIEIRA DE MELLO PRIZE

15.30 – Press conference

16.00 – Farewell meal