



OFFICE OF THE SPECIAL ADVISERS ON THE PREVENTION OF GENOCIDE AND THE RESPONSIBILITY TO PROTECT

Seminar
Preventing and Responding to Genocide and Mass Atrocities
27 April 2011

Conference Room 6, North Lawn Building, First Avenue, New York

27 April	Activity	Facilitator	Session Objectives
0900-0915	Registration		
0915-0930	Welcoming Remarks by : Dr Francis Deng, Special Adviser to the Secretary-General on the Prevention of Genocide Professor Edward Luck, Special Adviser to the Secretary-General on the Responsibility to Protect		



0930- 1100
(with tea-break)

Preventing Genocide and Mass Atrocities in the United Nations:

- Genocide Prevention Conceptualized
- The Office of the Special Advisers on the Prevention of Genocide and Responsibility to Protect

1100-1115
Tea-break
1115-1230

Leadership and Action to Prevent Mass Atrocities

Group Discussion:
Building an international network of genocide prevention practitioners

1230-1330

Lunch Break

OSAPG

OSAPG will discuss the dynamics and complexities of establishing the United Nations early warning system on genocide prevention; the mandate, activities and methodology of the Office of the Special Adviser on the Prevention of Genocide.

The session will also focus on OSAPG's relations with the international community on prevention; the challenges and the road-map to generate a culture of prevention.

Professor Frank Chalk

Prof Frank Chalk will discuss a crucial initiative developed jointly by General Roméo Dallaire and Dr. Frank Chalk of the Montreal Institute for Genocide and Human Rights Studies (MIGS), in collaboration with Concordia University.

Facilitators:
Francis Deng
Professor Frank Chalk
Tibi Galis

Prof Chalk will highlight concrete policy recommendations for Member States to advance the fight against genocide and mass crimes. The discussion will detail the long term consequences to States' geo-political and strategic interests, public health and prosperity that result from mass atrocities, which make engaging in the prevention of such atrocities in each country's national interest.

This will be followed by an open discussion on how Member States can help build an international network of state representatives who will be empowered to deter the potential for genocide.



1330-1430	Role of regional organizations in preventing and responding to mass atrocities	Prof Andrea Bartoli	In this session, Prof Bartoli will discuss the increasing necessity for regional and sub-regional organizations to fulfill the responsibility to protect populations in their region. The session will address the gaps, challenges and opportunities for regional entities to make a meaningful contribution to prevent and respond to the risk of mass atrocities.
1430-1600 (with break)	<i>Group Discussion :</i> Preventing and Responding to Mass Atrocities under the Three Pillars of R2P	<i>Facilitators:</i> Prof Edward Luck Prof Andrea Bartoli Prof Frank Chalk Thomas G. Weiss Dr Francis Deng	In this session, participants will be invited to reflect on the three pillars of Responsibility to Protect and discuss prevention strategies and options in crisis situations.
1600-1630	Evaluation and closing remarks	Dr Francis Deng Prof Edward Luck	