

Transforming Lives: Advancing Peace, Empowering Communities, and Building Resilience in Eastern Africa

Results and Achievements



'Shalom-SCCRR Personnel on the Front line Implementing Humanitarian, Peacebuilding and Development Interventions, in Marginalized Conflict Environments in Eastern Africa'

1,137 Conflict Transformation & Peacebuilding INTERVENTIONS Implemented	34,024 Local Peace actors EMPOWERED in 36 Violent Conflict Locations	732 School/Educational Development Projects COMPLETED in over 402 Institutions	222,563 Pupils and Students BENEFITING from School/Educational Projects
Conflict Transformation & Peacebuilding	Community Development & Health Support Interventions	Peace Education Implementation in Schools	School/Educational Development



Shalom-SCCRR's conflict transformation and peacebuilding interventions empower the emergence of inter-ethnic and inter-religious school/educational development projects. These results, in turn, lead to the stabilization and sustainability of peace and development between former enemies.

Rev. Dr. Patrick Devine, Shalom-SCCRR Executive International Chairman

ENDORSEMENTS OF SHALOM-SCCRR HUMANITARIAN-PEACE-DEVELOPMENT WORK

Fergal Keane, BBC African Editor, writing after a visit to Kenya about Shalom in the Irish Independent said:

⁴⁴ Kenya needs them in its slums and beleaguered western villages,... what they do here matters to all of Africa...³³

International Development Consultant, Mr. Mike Williams, reviewing Shalom-SCCRR's methodology and organizational strategy stated:

⁴⁴ Shalom's contextually driven, rigorous but adaptable and forward-looking methodology represents a model approach towards peace-building in highly complex situations, such as those that pertain in Northern Kenya. The approach, with its emphasis on community leadership, stakeholder participation, high technical competency, logic models, results frameworks, stories of change and advocacy linkages also reflects current best practice within both the Peacebuilding and development sectors.³⁷

UN Recommendation:

⁴⁴ Shalom Center for Conflict Resolution and Reconciliation is well known to the United Nations Information Center (UNIC). The Shalom Center for Conflict Resolution and Reconciliation works to end the cycle of violence in the tribal lands of Eastern Africa ... We therefore, have no hesitation in recommending them for the United Nations Department of Public Information (UNDPI) accreditation, with the confidence that they will be a great asset and add value to the United Nations work.³⁹

IGAD's endorsement of Shalom-SCCRR's to the UN, 2018

⁴⁴Shalom distinguishes itself by its unique way of working, incorporating theory through research and practice through training on skills in conflict resolution and transformation. The organisation has a growing reputation for its peace-building work, professionalism, high research ability, and conflict sensitivity. Its well-structured training modules on analytical skills and knowledge of peace-building is a major contributor to our work.... Shalom is unquestionably an exceptional organisation to partner with. Shalom's experience in the region suggests that the UN and it would greatly benefit from this association.⁷⁹

SMA Provincial Leader, in 2019, Fr. McCabe, commends the work of SHALOM

⁴⁴A primary example of our missionaries working in the service of the Church's mission of Peace and Justice is that of Fr. Padraig Devine and Fr. Oliver Noonan, in Kenya, through SHALOM. I was a board member of SHALOM before I left Kenya and witnessed the genesis of an idea that is growing from strength to strength and will, I believe, be recognized as one of the great contributions by Irish missionaries in helping to bring peace and reconciliation to Africa.

The success of Shalom, "is in its determination to remove the underlying causes of ethnic, religious and tribal disagreements that wreck the lives of ordinary people. Padraig realised that to achieve this he needed to recruit a highly skilled team of academics and conflict management practitioners to train teachers and tribal leaders in the art and skills of conflict resolution and reconciliation.

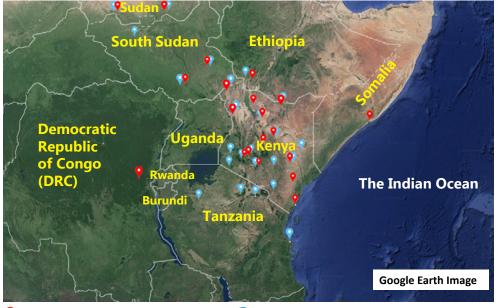
In conclusion Fr. McCabe said he wished to commend Frs. Padraig and Oliver in their leadership and administration of Shalom and hopes the organization continues to develop and expand its reach across Africa, especially supporting the work of the United Nations in helping the African Union to deliver the Great Green Wall. **?**



John Cardinal Njue, Emeritus Archbishop of Nairobi, Kenya

With the support of the Kenya Episcopal Conference (KEC) and the RSCK, he has established the Shalom Center for Conflict Resolution and Reconciliation (SCCRR)... As you are aware, there are many conflict environments in our country where people are killed, maimed and displaced. It is difficult for the Gospel to take deep root in such environments and for development to take place. Families are denied true peace and the opportunity to live normal lives. *****

WHERE: The remote Kenya-Uganda-South Sudan-Ethiopia-Somalia border interfaces, Sudan, DRC, Tanzania and remote urban settlements WHY: Inter-ethnic conflicts and Religious Ideological Extremism in **36** life-threatening under-developed locations



- Violent Conflict Environments
- School/Educational Development Projects

SCHOOL/EDUCATIONAL INFRASTRUCTURAL GAPS

• Low: access to formal education (large number of children out-of-school), retention and transition rates.

- Nomadic way of life by the pastoralists consequently affecting continuity and school attendance.
- Dilapidated physical school infrastructure.
- Difficult and dangerous terrains with long walking distances for children to cover.
- Shortage of adequate instructional and learning materials.
- Still existing educational disparities particularly impacting on children from the pastoral communities and informal urban settlements.
- Cultures that undermine education of the girl-child, and condone forced marriages.
- Low girls' enrollment and transition rates to higher education.
- Lack of clean drinking water and basic sanitation causing high number of water borne diseases among the school children.

CONFLICT ENVIRONMENT/CONFLICT CONTEXT

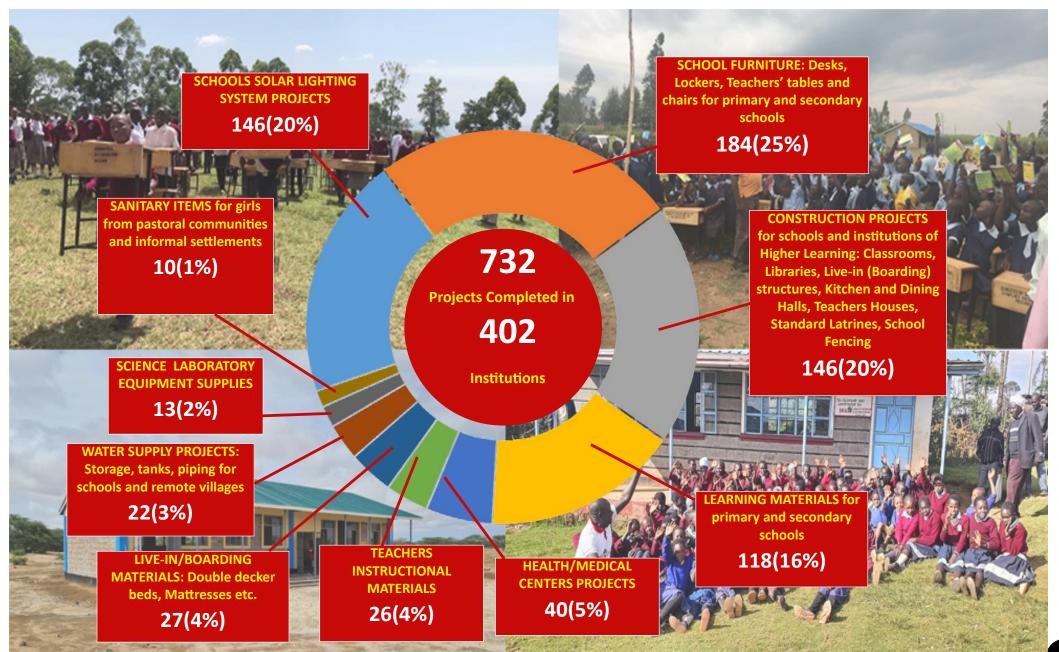
- Arid and Semi-arid lands (see the brownish spaces on the map) hot and dry with a mean annual rainfall of 200mm.
- Competition over scarce grazing fields, water resources and pasture.
- Violent livestock raids for: restocking, commercial, prestige and bridewealth.
- Persistent killing, maiming, displacement and destruction of infrastructure/property.
- Radicalization and Violent Religious ideological extremism in the urban informal settlements and slums.
- Inter-ethnic conflicts within and across Counties and Countries interfaces.
- Protracted insecurity and lawlessness catalysed by limited or no state presence.
- Infrastructure insecurity creating environment for crime, and violent inter-ethnic conflict.
- Steady rising levels of poverty manifested through shortage of basic human needs, core resources necessary for communities actualizing their potential.
- Local populations especially women and children suffering from extreme hunger (highest food insecurity), malnutrition and trauma.
- Protracted drought and famine causing grave food insecurity.
- Climate change, ecological degradation leading to overgrazing and competition over limited resources.

• Structural violence preventing communities from meeting their basic needs, benefiting from social, economic and political mainstream development, human rights, and fundamental freedoms.

HEALTH INFRASTRUCTURAL GAPS

- Few health facilities compared to the land mass and local population.
- Dilapidated or no physical infrastructure.
- Low accessibility of health services because of long distances to health facilities further compounded by poor road network and violent inter-ethnic and inter-religious conflicts.
- High maternal mortality among the marginalized pastoral communities.

SHALOM-SCCRR SCHOOL EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS ACHIEVEMENTS



SHALOM-SCCRR 15 YEARS ACHIEVEMENTS SUMMARY IN NUMBERS

Our Transformative Humanitarian-Peace-Development Interventions in Eastern Africa

CONFLICT TRANSFORMATION AND PEACEBUILDING OUTPUTS

- Peace Accords signed between previously conflicting ethnic communities in several locations where Shalom-SCCRR intervened.
- 34,024 influential stakeholders and grassroots peace actors empowered with analytical skills and techniques for Conflict Transformation and

Peacebuilding through **1,137** Training Workshops in **36** Conflict Environments in **Kenya, and at the Kenya-Ethiopia-South Sudan-Uganda interface**.

- In 2024, 61% of participants in Shalom-SCCRR's Conflict Transformation, Peacebuilding, and Livelihood programs were women, marking a significant 18% increase from the cumulative average of 43% over the past 14 years.
- **Shalom-SCCRR Empowerment Center (SEC)** empowering

residents from **14** Urban Informal Settlements/Slums, as well as in marginalized conflict regions in the semi-arid terrains where **Kenya interfaces** with Ethiopia, South Sudan and Uganda.

- 5 Community-focused Peace Centers Established/Supported in Kenya and South Sudan conflict areas.
- 14 Years of the Shalom-SCCRR University Elective Course on Conflict Resolution and Reconciliation at Tangaza University College, Nairobi, Kenya; empowering hundreds of Students of all faiths from Africa, Europe, Asia and Latin America with conflict transformation skills and peace building techniques.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND HEALTH SUPPORT INTERVENTIONS

- ♦ 36 Health/Medical centers supported with vital medical equipment in the marginalized and conflict areas of Northern Kenya and South Sudan.
- 15 Community-based projects completed: Water piping, Solar-powered water systems, Community Education Centers etc., benefiting pastoralist communities in conflict and marginalized areas.
- **4** interventions to **prevent Human Trafficking** in Eastern Africa supported.

SCHOOL/EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS OUTPUTS

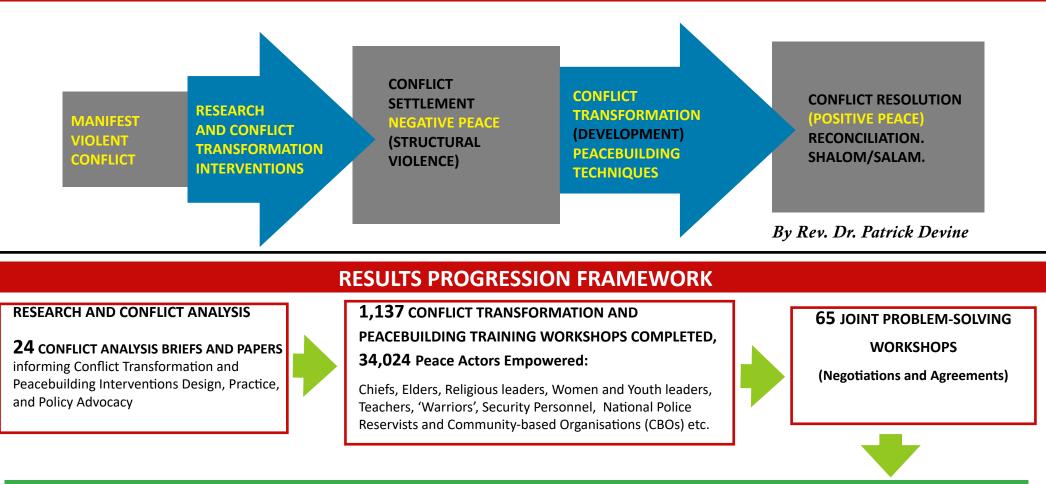
- 732 School/Educational Development Projects completed: classrooms & accommodation, solar lighting, sanitary items for girls, books, desks, water etc.
- 402 School/Educational institutions supported in conflict environments and marginalized areas in 31 Counties in Kenya, Regions in Sudan, South Sudan, Ethiopia and Tanzania.
- 222,563 Pupils and Students (114,034 [51.2%] Boys; 108,529 [48.8%] Girls) beneficiaries of Shalom-SCCRR projects.
- 3 Pastoralist/Shepherd schools supported—benefiting youth lacking formal education/schooling.
- 1 University and 3 Vocational/Tertiary institutions provided with educational materials in Kenya and South Sudan.

PEACE EDUCATION OUTPUTS

- ♦ 54 Shalom School Peace Clubs formed and over 18,000+ Girls and Boys empowered with analytical skills and techniques in peacebuilding.
- Over 165,000 pupils and students engaged in Conflict Transformation initiatives in schools and at community level through Shalom-SCCRR Peace Education Program.
- Over 100 Peace Club Patrons trained to facilitate Peace Education in schools and administrate Shalom-SCCRR supported School Peace Clubs.

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CONFLICT TRANSFORMATION AND PEACEBUILDING



CONFLICT TRANSFORMATION INTERVENTIONS IMPLEMENTED AT COMMUNITY LEVEL

- Conflict negotiation
- Conflict mediation
- Inter-religious de-radicalization dialogue forums
- Locally-supported early warning systems

- Inter-community Conflict Resolution Initiatives
- Multi-stakeholder collaboration on peacebuilding and development
- Development and Implementation of Natural Resource
 Management Plans
- Development of socio-economic infrastructures (Schools, Markets, Health Centers etc.

SHALOM-SCCRR TEAM



Rev. Dr. Patrick Devine, Shalom-SCCRR Executive International Chairman



Rev. Dr. Oliver Noonan, The Executive Director



Prof. Peter Wanyande, PhD, Director of Research



Ms. Esther Kibe, MA, Project Officer, Team Leader



Sr. Lucy Njori B. Com, Dimesse Sisters, St. Josphat's House Projects Administrator



Mr. Godfrey Okoth, MA, (PhD Candidate), Senior Project Officer



Mr. Kipkoech Kipruto, B.Com., ACCA, Accountant



Mr. Francis Mwangi, MA, M.E.R.L Officer



Sr. Sarah Ngigi KRCHN, Dimesse Sisters, Nurse and Counselling Officer



Ms. Habiba Dika, BA, (MA Candidate), Shalom-SCCRR In-Training Capacity Program



Mr. Kennedy Odhiambo, MA, Project Officer, Team Leader



Sonography (UltraSound

Specialist)



Ms. Amina Ekal Ejore, Logistics Officer SCCRR Lodwar Office (Student of Dipl. in ICT)



Mr. Remmy Ndiema, B.BM, CPA, Accountant



Mr. Moses Osiro, MA, Project Officer, Team Leader



Mr. Kennedy Oduor, Dipl. PPM, Transport / Logistics Coordinator



Sr. Mary Elizabeth Gachahi, Social Worker



Mr. Arthur Magero, MA, Project Officer, Team Leader



Sr. Jovalet Ariho, BA (MA Candidate), Shalom-SCCRR In-Training Capacity Program



Arafat Wanyonyi Wekesa, Security Officer (Student of Dipl. in Social Work)

Excellence in Professionalism, Performance, and Commitment

Shalom-SCCRR Empowered Communities Resolving Conflicts Peacefully

In the conflict environments where Shalom works, communities increasingly resolve their manifest and structural violent conflicts through non-violent approaches. Shalom's conflict transformation and peacebuilding interventions empower them to be the architects of their interdependent future of peaceful coexistence.

Effective Conflict Early Warning and Response Mechanisms

Locally developed and operational Conflict Early Warning and Response Mechanisms have been established in volatile regions, achieving a 73% success rate in preventing and mitigating violent inter-ethnic conflicts.

Women's Empowerment in Peacebuilding and Livelihood Programs

Shalom-SCCRR has engaged 60% of women in its Conflict Transformation, Peacebuilding, and Livelihood Resilience Programs, reflecting an average annual increase of 4% over the past 14 years. Empowered women are now key negotiators in peace processes between traditional ethnic communities, challenging long-standing norms that limited peace negotiations to men.

Empowered Grassroots Peace Resource Persons

Community Peace Resource Persons trained and empowered by Shalom-SCCRR are now effectively transforming conflicts, achieving a 58% success rate in addressing the underlying causes.

Sustained Peace and Economic Growth

Sustained peace and security in Shalom-SCCRR intervention areas have created an enabling environment for economic growth, the development of stable human settlements, and the provision of essential social infrastructure such as school/educational-medical and water amenities.

Uninterrupted Learning in Conflict-Affected Schools

Shalom-SCCRR's conflict transformation and peacebuilding projects have ensured a 90% success rate in maintaining uninterrupted learning in schools located in conflict-prone regions (some of which are now settled).

Improved Inter-Community Collaboration

Increased levels of trust, cooperation, and collaboration between rival ethnic groups have led to joint development initiatives in critical sectors of their livelihoods, which have improved their resilience to survival and prosperity.

Prevention of Radicalization and Extremism

Through stakeholder engagement and capacity-building training for influential community leaders, religious figures, local administrators, and civil society actors, Shalom-SCCRR has successfully countered youth radicalization and ideological extremism (including religious) in urban slums.

Prevention of Human and Organ Trafficking

Shalom-SCCRR launched a comprehensive human trafficking module aimed at empowering locals with the knowledge and skills needed to identify, prevent, and respond to trafficking incidents. The intervention is significantly enhancing communities' resilience and cohesion.



Our team members, led by Dr. Peter Linus, intervening and monitoring Shalom trained community facilitators engaging with **warriors** on **conflict transformation** and **negotiation road maps.**



Rev. Dr. Patrick Devine, Shalom-SCCRR, Executive International Chairman, in August 2023, indicating the foundational beacon for a **Shalom-SCCRR funded school construction in Turkana County Kenya** to help counter the effects of violent conflict, climate change while nurturing socio-economic development.



Ms. Esther Kibe, MA, facilitates a training workshop in Mt. Kulal, Marsabit County, Northern Kenya. Shalom-SCCRR has focused on empowering local communities living in Mt. Kulal and Sarima areas with conflict negotiation skills necessary for addressing conflict, which has adversely affected their livelihoods.



We implement Conflict Transformation, Peacebuilding and Development projects in the informal settlements (Slums) in Mathare (seen in this image), Kibera, Kariobangi and Kawangware located in Nairobi, Kenya. In the photo is Mrs. Judith Akedi, MA, engaging with women in the Slums.



The Executive Director, Rev. Dr. Oliver Noonan, Shalom-SCCRR, engaging Shalom Peace Group on the progress of peacebuiding, school/educational development and other community-based projects that Shalom has been implementing in Samburu County, northern Kenya.



Mr. Austin Ngacha, MA, Shalom-SCCRR Project Officer, facilitating a conflict transformation workshop in Merikuka village at Kenya-Ethiopia interface – a semi-arid desert violent terrain.



Shalom-SCCRR Monitoring, Evaluation, Research & Learning and Project Implementation teams led by Mr. Arthur Magero, MA, conducting a consultative forum with local government administrators in the conflict-prone Kerio Valley, northern Kenya. The forum aimed at identifying best strategies for conflict transformation/peacebuilding and sustainable development.



A Kenyan Turkana woman fetching water in an environment threatened by dire human security, where Shalom-SCCRR peace and development interventions are expanding.



Mr. Godfrey Okoth, MA, (PhD Candidate), Shalom-SCCRR Senior Project Officer, facilitating a training for Morans (Warriors) on conflict negotiation.



Mr. Moses Osiro, MA, Shalom-SCCRR, facilitating a conflict analysis session with **Samburu morans (community warriors)** in the pastoral landscape of Waso Rongai, Samburu County, Kenya.



Shalom-SCCRR's team engages with **elders** in Arapal, Marsabit County. As key decision-makers and custodians of cultural traditions, **elders** play a pivotal role in conflict resolution, inter-community conflict resolution, and guiding sustainable practices among pastoralist communities in northern Kenya.



Shalom-SCCRR's Mr. Kennedy Odhiambo, MA, project officer, and Kennedy Oduor Dipl., program assistant, facilitating a community insertion workshop at Suiyan, Samburu County, northern Kenya.

ADDRESSING RELIGIOUS IDEOLOGICAL EXTREMISM IN EASTERN AFRICA



Mr. Godfrey Okoth, MA, (PhD candidate), facilitating a community entry workshop with Muslim and Christian participants in Timbwani, Mombasa. Shalom-SCCRR has equipped these stakeholders with intensive training in conflict transformation and peacebuilding strategies.



Association of Member Episcopal Conferences in Eastern Africa [AMECEA] Personnel from Kenya, Malawi, and Tanzania, with Shalom-SCCRR team members, Mr. Godfrey Okoth, MA, (PhD Candidate), Rev. Dr. Patrick Devine, and Mr. Francis Mwangi, MA, during a training Forum held in Nairobi, Kenya. The theme of the forum was: 'Addressing Religious Extremism and Radicalization in AMECEA Region.'



Rev. Dr. Patrick Devine, Shalom-SCCRR, Executive International Chairman, facilitating a workshop in Mombasa on Preventing and Transforming Religious Ideological Extremism, and Terrorism in Eastern Africa. He also presented the 'Shalom's Methodology for Achieving Tolerance, Inclusivity, and Positive Peace.'



Shalom-SCCRR team: Mr. Godfrey Okoth, MA, (PhD Candidate), Francis Mwangi MA, and Rev. Dr. Patrick Devine, facilitating an interactive session for the AMECEA personnel on the **Methodology for addressing religious ideological extremism in Eastern Africa**.

SHALOM EMPOWERMENT CENTER ADDRESSING VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND CHILDREN



Ms. Esther Kibe, MA, Shalom-SCCRR, Project Officer, in one of the Shalom-SCCRR intervention area with women from marginalized communities in Northern Kenya.



Rev. Dr. Patrick Devine, Shalom-SCCRR's, Executive International Chairman welcoming, Ms. Paula Soumaya Domit, MA, at Nairobi, Kenya Shalom-SCCRR Offices. (Ms Paula was with Shalom-SCCRR for internship while taking her Masters in Public Policy at the Harvard Kennedy School of Government).



Rev. Dr. Patrick Devine, Shalom-SCCRR, Executive International Chairman, with Turkana women in Lodwar, Northern Kenya, **envisioning a way forward for Conflict transformation and how women can be empowered and involved actively**.



Mrs. Judith Akedi, MA, leads an engaging group discussion with women from Kawangware urban informal settlement, exploring effective frameworks for conflict prevention within their community.



Prof. Wanyande, Shalom-SCCRR, Research Director, in a Focus Group Discussion (FGD) with women in Songa, Marsabit County, northern Kenya.



A graduation ceremony of Shalom-SCCRR empowered women. These women were equipped with conflict analytical skills, peacebuilding techniques, and entrepreneurial skills to enhance their livelihood resilience.



Ireland's Oversees Development Minister Joe MCHugh, who led an international delegation to visit our Conflict Transformation and development projects, engaging the Shalom-SCCRR trained **women groups** in Northern Kenya.



Ms. Ilhan Ali Salah, BA (MA Candidate), Shalom-SCCRR, facilitating a Workshop with women in the llemi Triangle, Turkana County, Northern Kenya. The training focused on the wrole and inclusion of women local peacebuilding processes.

PARTNERSHIPS AND COLLABORATIONS

United Nations (Shalom-SCCRR received Accreditation by the UN)



Rev. Dr. Patrick Devine, Shalom-SCCRR, Executive International Chairman, attending a meeting at the United Nations (UN). Shalom-SCCRR has a **formal accreditation with UN Department of Global Communications.** With this accreditation Shalom-SCCRR networks with other UN departments, plus the 1,500 established UN-associated NGOs and academic institutions all aiming to create a better and more peaceful world.



Mr. Don Mullan, former Irish SMA Communication officer deliberating on Shalom-SCCRR's intervention to the development of the 'Great Green Wall Project' aiming to prohibit the spread of desertification across the Sahara Desert in Africa.



Shalom-SCCRR, signed a **Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)** with the **Intergovernmental Agency for Development [IGAD]**, Eastern Africa (comprised of 8 countries). In photo is H. E. Ambassador Mahboub Maalim, the former Executive Secretary of IGAD and Rev. Dr. Patrick Devine, our Executive International Chairman.



Shalom-SCCRR's Mr. Kennedy Odhiambo, MA, facilitating a training workshop for Security personnel (police) at Marti in Samburu County, northern Kenya. Shalom-SCCRR is implementing various conflict transformation, peacebuilding and school/educational development projects in this volatile area.

Inter-governmental Authority on Development (IGAD)



Rev. Dr. Patrick Devine,Shalom-SCCRR, Executive International Chairman with Glenn Kielty (L) and Val J Halamandaris (R), Founder and Executive Director of the Caring Institute, receiving the **2013 International Caring Award** for sustainable peace and development efforts throughout Africa.



Rev. Dr. Patrick Devine, Shalom-SCCRR, Executive International Chairman, with General Colin Powell, Former United States Secretary of State (who was the guest of honour) during the **2013 International Caring Award.**



Rev. Dr. Patrick Devine, Shalom-SCCRR, Executive International Chairman, and Dr. Kieran Doyle of the Edward M. Kennedy Institute for Conflict Intervention at the National University of Ireland (NUI, Maynooth) after the signing of Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) in a renewed strategic partnership.



Shalom-SCCRR's Rev. Dr. Patrick Devine, signing Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Association of Member Episcopal Conferences in Eastern Africa (AMECEA). Present from AMECEA were H.E. Cardinal Berhaneyesus D. Souraphiel, (then Chairman of AMECEA), Cardinal John Njue and other bishops of the executive board.



Rev. Dr. Patrick Devine, with Ms. Paula Soumaya Domit MA, at the Harvard Kennedy School of Government.



Rev. Dr. Patrick Devine, after lectures on conflict transformation processes and religious ideological extremism. In the photo with him is Professor Xolile Simon and some MA students from the Faculty of Theology, University of Stellenbosch, South Africa.



Rev. Dr. Patrick Devine, with some of the faculty members at the Center for Public Leadership at the Harvard Kennedy School who organized the event: Hugh O'Doherty, Monica Giannone, and Ons Benabdelkarim.



Rev. Dr. Patrick Devine, with the President, staff and guests of honor at DePaul University in Chicago after his public lecture "On the Ground in Eastern Africa: Creating Peace Amid Conflict and Religious Ideological Extremism."



Rev. Dr. Patrick Devine, with Prof. Hastings Donnan FBA, MRIA, AcSS Director, Institute for the Study of Conflict Transformation and Social Justice, outside the Institute's headquarters after **signing a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) at Queens University, Belfast.**



Shalom-SCCRR's Rev. Dr. Patrick Devine (Executive International Chairman) and Dr. Michael Comerford (Board Member) alongside former **IGAD Executive Secretary Amb. (Eng) Mahboub Maalim**, some key facilitators and participants during a Shalom-SCCRR led conference in Tangaza University College.



Signing of **Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)** with **Tangaza University.** Present from Shalom-SCCRR (from left) are: Prof Omoka Wanakayi (RIP), Director of Research, Rev. Dr. Oliver Noonan, Executive Director, Rev. Dr. Patrick Devine, Executive International Chairman. From the Tangaza are: Prof. David Wang'ombe the Vice Chancellor, Rev. Dr. Giuseppe Caramazza, the Director, Institutional Advancement and Development.



Shalom-SCCRR offers a course on **Conflict Resolution and Reconciliation** at **Tangaza University**. In the photo are course lectures Rev. Dr. Patrick Devine and Rev.Dr. Oliver Noonan, with the students during the awarding of certificates upon course completion.



Chris Kennedy and Rev. Dr. Patrick Devine, Shalom-SCCRR, Executive International Chairman, conferring on Conflict Transformation and Religious Ideological Extremism challenges in Africa.



Shalom-SCCRR team, Rev. Dr. Patrick Devine, Rev. Dr. Oliver Noonan & Ms. Esther Kibe, MA, Lead Project Officer, with Fr. Antonio Porcellato, Superior General, The Society of African Misions (SMA), Fr. Francis Rozario SMA, General Councillor, Fr. Robin Kamemba SMA, Superior Kenyan District during a recent courtesy visit to Shalom-SCCRR offices, Nairobi, Kenya.



Rev. Dr. Patrick, Shalom-SCCRR, Executive International Chairman, after presenting at Harvard Kennedy School with some attendees.

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Rev. Dr. Patrick Devine, was invited to give a presentation to SMA Fathers on developing Conflict Transformation and Peacebuilding interventions and School/Educational Development Projects – going forward.

Shalom-SCCRR personnel have been invited to deliver numerous presentations and lectures on its pioneering methodology.







the Irish Defence Forces, Cordially invites you to the Annual Lieutenant General Dermot Earley Lecture Peace, Security and Sustainable Development in Eastern Africa Delivered by Rev. Dr. Patrick Devine

Shalom Centre for Conflict Resolution and Reconciliation (SCCRR) Kenva Thurs 23rd November, 2017 at 6.30pm Renehan Hall, South Campus, Maynooth University. RSVP by 17th Nov 2017 to kennedvinstitute@mu.ie 01 70866293



Rev. Dr. Patrick Devine, Shalom-SCCRR, Executive International Chairman, in the Irish Embassy, Washington DC with Ambassador Anne Anderson and Terry Sears from Tuesday's Children, where he delivered a Lecture on the 'Causes of Radicalization and Extremism in Eastern Africa,' attended by International Diplomats, security personnel and Peace and Development practitioners.

SHALD CONTLET RESOLUTION HARVARD Kennedy School HARVARD KENNEDY SCHOOL J.F. Kennedy School of Government

"Empowering Conflict Resolution and Peacebuilding at the Grassroots"

> A conversation with Rev. Dr. Patrick Devine Shalom-SCCRR International Chairman & Founder

Paula Soumaya Domit **HKS MPP Candidate & Shalom-SCCRR International Consultant** Tuesday, October 17, 2023

Some Other Lectures

St. Johns University, Queens, New York (2025), "Conflict Resolution and Reconciliation (Vision, Mission and Methodology)."

University of San Diego (2019), "Conflict Methodologies and Processes."

DePaul University, Chicago (2018) "On the Ground in Eastern Africa: Creating Peace Amid Conflict and Religious Ideological Extremism."

United Nations Conference Center Addis Ababa. Ethiopia (2018) for AMECEA on "Religious Ideological Extremism and, the Environment and Conflict."

Queens University, Belfast, N. Ireland (2017) in Senator George Mitchell Institute for Global Security, "Inter-Ethnic Conflict Transformation Methods: Applications in Eastern Africa"

Sultans Palace Museum, Zanzibar, (2017), on "Conflict Analysis and Peace-Building; Embracing the Cultural Heritage of Eastern Africa"



Ms. Margarita Gomez, Ms. Wendy Ayres, Mr. Johan Mistiaen from the World Bank with Shalom-SCCRR Team at the World Bank offices, Nairobi, Kenya.



Rev. Dr. Patrick Devine, Shalom-SCCRR, Executive International Chairman, meeting with the Mission Commander for EU Training Mission in Mogadishu, Somalia, Brigadier General Gerald Aherne (former), together with key IGAD, EU and Somali diplomatic personnel.



From right are **Shalom-SCCRR Board Members:** The Executive Director, Rev. Dr. Oliver Noonan, Prof. Robert Mudida, Ms. Rosaline Serem MBA, Rev. Dr. Patrick Devine, meeting with H. E. Ambassador Mahboub Maalim at the **IGAD offices,** Nairobi. In the Photo also is Prof. Omoka Wanakayi (R), The Director of Research.



Shalom-SCCRR team, consultative meeting with Mr. Patrick Geysen (former Deputy Head of EU Delegation, Djibouti) and currently Shalom-SCCRR International Volunteer Consultant at our offices in Nairobi, Kenya.

OTHER STRATEGIC PARTNERS

Kenyan Government Departments Queen's University (Belfast) Maynooth University Tangaza University

Society of Africa Missions (SMA) Shalom Center of Africa (SCOA), USA Shalom-SCCRR Republic of Ireland Shalom-SCCRR Northern Ireland / UK Kenya Conference of Catholic Bishops (KCCB) Religious Superiors Conference of Kenya (RSCK) Dimesse Sisters Daughters of Mary Immaculate, Nairobi, Kenya Association of Consecrated Women in Eastern and Central Africa (ACWECA) Catholic University of South Sudan

RESEARCH, EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Shalom-SCCRR has and continues to partner and collaborate with Research Institutes, Academic Programmes etc., to bring about change at the grassroot level by enhancing understanding, knowledge and attitude of the local populations, and engaging state and non-state actors in policy and practice of Conflict Transformation, Peacebuilding and Development.

SHALOM-SCCRR PUBLISHED CONFLICT RESEARCH PAPERS AND BRIEFS

Persistent Conflict Between the Pokot and the Turkana: Causes and Policy Implications (Patrick Devine PhD, Shalom-SCCRR)

Turkana-Dassenach Conflict: Causes and Consequences (*Patrick Devine PhD, Shalom-SCCRR*)

Dynamics of Social Organising and Implications on Sustainable Conflict Management Among Turkana and Dassanech Pastoral Communities in the Ilemi Triangle (Oliver Noonan PhD, Shalom-SCCRR)

Pokot and Turkana Conflict: A Case Study of the Siege at Loregon (Oliver Noonan PhD, Shalom-SCCRR)

Women and Peacebuilding: A Case Study of Turkana-West Pokot Borderline (Asha Awed MA, Shalom-SCCRR)

Radicalisation and Extremism in Eastern Africa: Dynamics and Drivers (Patrick Devine PhD, Shalom-SCCRR)

Journal of Mediation and Applied Conflict Analysis, 4 (2):

http://mural.maynoothuniversity.ie/9086/7/PD-Radicalisation-2017.pdf

A Critical Analysis of the Role of Religion in Fueling or Healing Conflict (Patrick Devine PhD, Shalom-SCCRR)

Human Rights are a Foundation of Shalom-SCCRR's Conflict Resolution and Reconciliation Interventions (Omoka Wanakayi PhD, & Patrick Devine PhD).

https://shalomconflictcenter.org/human-rights-are-a-foundation-of-shalom-sccrrs-conflict-resolution-and-reconciliation-interventions-2/

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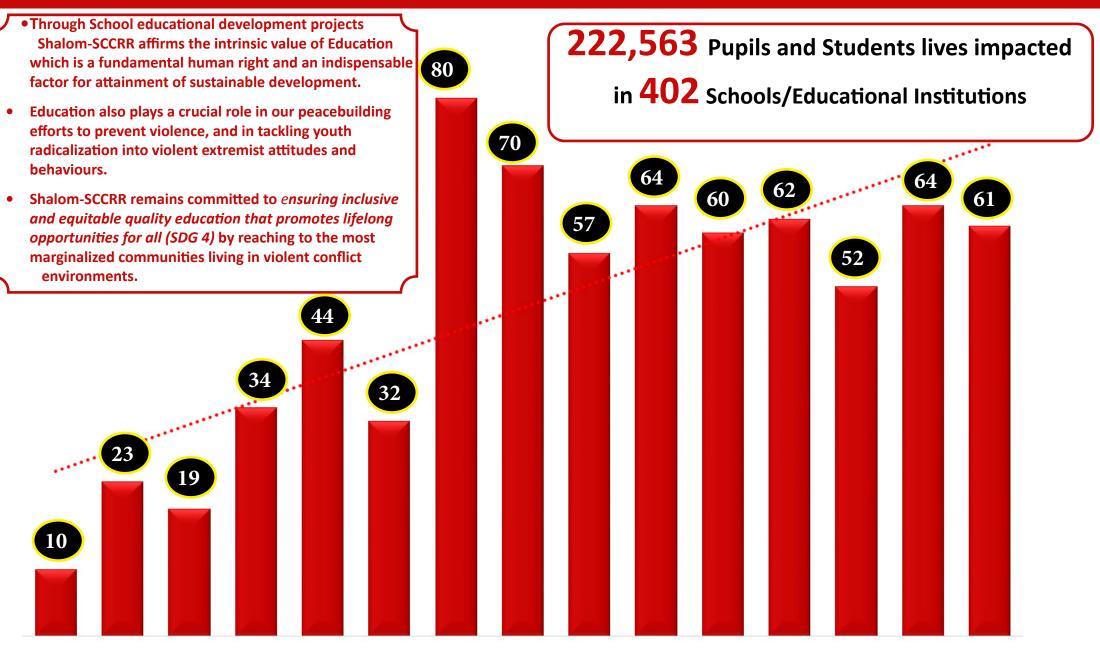
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SHALOM-SCCRR SCHOOL EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS ACHIEVEMENTS



2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 2023 2024



Our Logistics Team delivering **school educational/development Materials** at Amaiya Primary (having to cross rivers and terrains to reach the school in Samburu County Kenya.



Ireland's Overseas Development Minister, Joe McHugh with an international delegation visiting Shalom-SCCRR's conflict transformation interventions and schools construction and educational development projects in Samburu County, Kenya.



The Logistics Truck stuck in thick sand on the way to Marsabit, Northern Kenya, to deliver schools educational development materials



We continue to support schools in **marginalized and conflict environments** in order to enroll and retain more children in school who can access **quality education**. We appreciate **Mrs. Dahabo Shalle** for coordinating the supply of educational and development materials to schools in **Garissa County**.



Shalom-SCCRR team: Ms. Esther Kibe, MA, Habiba Dika, BA, (MA Candidate) and Mr. Kennedy Oduor, delivering **Solar System installation** in one of the marginalized schools in Marsabit, northern Kenya. Shalom-SCCRR funded the Installation to provide lighting for both the pupils and the school administration.



The Good Shepherd Peace Centre, **South Sudan supported by Shalom-SCCRR** with fully accessorized Solar Lighting System - enough to power the whole institution.



We completed **Water Projects in Northern Kenya** to provide clean drinking water and promote hygiene and sanitation in schools and marginalized communities living in violent conflict environments.



Construction of standard latrines/toilets: Good latrine conditions at school have improved the school environment by **meeting specific health and hygiene/sanitation needs of both boys and girls** and to a significant extent **reducing absenteeism.**



Shalom-SCCRR's Executive Director, Rev. Dr. Oliver Noonan and Mr. Ciaran King, witnessing an ongoing construction of classrooms funded by Shalom-SCCRR in Turkana County, Kenya. On the right, are the completed classrooms.



Rev. Dr. Patrick Devine, Shalom-SCCRR, Executive International Chairman, during the **delivery desks and other educational materials** to Enkusero Sampu Primary & Junior Sec. School, located in the semi-arid pastoral area mostly inhabited by the Masai Community, in Kajiado County, Kenya.



Demecki Primary School in Ethiopia. **Shalom-SCCRR funded the construction of classrooms**. The school is located in the volatile **Ilemi Triangle at the Kenya-Ethiopia border**. Shalom-SCCRR is implementing Conflict Transformation and Peacebuilding intervention that engages the Turkana and Dassanech ethnic communities.



Rev. Dr. Patrick Devine, with Ciaran King, Brendan Henry and Collin Fortes during a visit to a Shalom-SCCRR supported school in Turkana County in northern Kenya.





Shalom funded classroom constructions at the Kisumu-Nandi borderline.

During the 2013 and 2017 general elections, Kisumu and Nandi counties in Kenya experienced deadly ethnic violence along the borderline. There was maiming, killing, displacement of human populations, and massive destruction of social-economic infrastructures such as schools, health centers, and markets.

Shalom-SCCRR Conflict Transformation and Peacebuilding intervention was fruitful. The two communities now coexist peacefully, schools run without ethnic conflict-caused interruptions, and the markets are vibrant again.



Girls at Valley Bridge Primary School in Kariobangi informal settlement receiving donation from Shalom-SCCRR of **Sanitary Towels/Pads.** The support was aimed to benefit more than **300 girls** in the school.



Teaching and Learning Materials Support: Mrs. Judith Akedi, MA, delivering books and Kariobangi Primary School administration located in one of the Nairobi's in Kenya, informal settlements (Slums).



Supply of furniture to poor and marginalized schools: Pupils at Illeret Primary School in Marsabit offloading chairs and desks. Shalom-SCCRR supports poor schools to improve learning, meet ergonomic standards, and keep pupils comfortable.



Boarding/Live-in materials (Beds, Mattresses etc.) to Kulal girls in Samburu, Kenya. This support will give the girls a chance to access education; safe from negative cultural practices such as Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) and early marriage.



Teachers and learners of Sakaitim Primary School in Nakuru County, Kenya, **celebrate completion of a class funded by Shalom-SCCRR**. Nakuru is one of the **Shalom-SCCRR's conflict transformation and peacebuilding success stories**.



A delivery of **desks and lockers** by Shalom-SCCRR logistics team at Santur Primary School in Loiyangalani, Marsabit, Kenya. The school was experiencing an acute shortage of equipment for the pupils.



Shalom-SCCRR team delivering medical and **Personal Protective Equipment (PPEs)** to marginalised Health Centers in northern Kenya.



Shalom-SCCRR logistics team **Delivering Beds, Mattresses and other live-in items** to Sasak Primary School in West Pokot, northern Kenya. This support will help these pupils to board in the school thus enhancing their focus to studies. Their focus to learning has often times been hampered by livestock herding duties assigned to them and also by the nomadic lifestyle of the herders of moving place to place in search of pasture and water.

IMPACT OF SHALOM-SCCRR SCHOOL/EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

Classroom Construction Leading to Enhanced Enrollment and Improved Learning Environment

Shalom-SCCRR-funded classroom construction and renovation projects, have significantly increased pupil enrollment, improved learner concentration, and boosted teacher morale. These developments have fostered a conducive teaching and learning environment, promoting sustainable peace and development.

Standard Toilet Construction leading to Improved Sanitation Facilities

The construction of standard toilets and other sanitary facilities has improved the pupil-toilet ratio, effectively reducing the prevalence of sanitationrelated illnesses.

Separate toilets for boys and girls have enhanced safety and privacy, especially for girls, promoting a secure school environment.

Provision of Sanitary Items for girls Improving Girls' Hygiene and Attendance

The provision of sanitary items has greatly improved menstrual hygiene management for girls, reducing absenteeism and positively influencing their academic performance and self-esteem.

Provision of learning Materials (Desks, Lockers, Text Books, Stationery, Computers, Printers etc.)

The availability of adequate teaching and learning materials has improved the learner-to-textbook ratio, leading to better academic performance across various Shalom-SCCRR-supported schools.

The availability of standard and quality desks and lockers has improved learner attention, focus, health, comfort, teacher-learner engagement, and care of learning materials.

Installation of Clean Water Systems – Enhancing Hygiene Practices

Clean drinking water in schools and surrounding communities has helped prevent waterborne diseases. Improved handwashing and hygiene practices have further contributed to healthier school and community environments.

Shalom-SCCRR Solar Lighting Projects

Shalom-SCCRR's solar lighting installations in schools have significantly improved academic performance by extending study hours for students in remote, marginalized pastoralist communities where electricity is unavailable or unreliable.

In addition to enhancing education, solar lighting has created a safer environment for both learners and teachers, particularly in regions prone to insecurity and wildlife encounters.

These Solar projects have also powered essential school facilities, including boarding/live-in areas, science laboratories, etc., enabling better living conditions and significant improvement in science subjects, particularly in the Shalom-SCCRR-supported schools in conflict environments.

SHALOM-SCCRR PEACE EDUCATION IMPLEMENTATION



Significant Results

54 Shalom Peace Clubs established and active in INTRA-SCHOOL, INTER-SCHOOL, COMMUNITY peacebuilding activities

103 Peace Club Patrons Trained by Shalom-SCCRR and active in the Implementation, Management and Administration of Peace Clubs

165,000+ Pupils and Students Benefited and Engaged in Shalom Peace Education Program Implementation

18,000+ Peace club Members Empowered with Peacebuilding KNOWLEDGE and ANALYTICAL SKILLS



Ms. Esther Kibe, MA, Project Officer, at Loiyangalani Primary School, Marsabit County, Northern Kenya, after a **Peace Education training**. Shalom-SCCRR has provided the school with Live-in/boarding materials, desks and textbooks.



Shalom-SCCRR's Ms. Ilhan Ali Salah, BA, (MA Candidate), and Mr. Moses Osiro, MA, with pupils from Valley Bridge Primary School [located at the interface of Mathare and Kariobangi Slums], facilitating a participatory session to establish conflict causes and the corresponding manifestations within school and community.



Peace club members from Kalyet Primary School in Nandi County during training where they role-played violence scenarios experienced in the Kisumu-Nandi border region of western Kenya.



Shalom-SCCRR's Mrs. Judith Akedi, MA, and Ms. Paula Domit, MA, (then, a MA candidate of Public Policy at the Harvard Kennedy School of Government) facilitating a **Peace Education session on peer mediation** in Morijo Mixed Secondary School, Samburu County, northern Kenya.

Enhanced Critical Thinking & Conflict Analysis

Shalom-SCCRR Peace Education training has significantly improved students' capacity for conflict analysis, critical thinking, and problem-solving, equipping them to navigate disputes constructively.

Appreciation for Diversity & Interdependence

Students from diverse cultural, ethnic, and religious backgrounds develop a deeper appreciation for diversity and interdependence, fostering social harmony.

Strengthened Inter-personal skills in Communication & Cooperation

Through Shalom-SCCRR-supported Peace Clubs, students demonstrate stronger communication skills, cooperation, and relationship-building, promoting a culture of peace.

Creating Safer School Environments

The introduction of Shalom-SCCRR Peace Education in conflict-affected schools has notably reduced aggression fueled by ethnic and religious tensions, creating safer learning environments.

Empowering Students with Conflict Resolution Skills

Students engaged in Shalom-SCCRR Peace Education training are empowered with conflict resolution skills, enabling them to mediate and de-escalate disputes among their peers.

Future Leaders in Peacebuilding & Sustainable Development

By acquiring Conflict Transformation and Peacebuilding skills, these students become catalysts for Positive Peace and Sustainable Development in communities long affected by instability.

Conclusion

We are proud of our achievements and the impact we have had over our first **15 years** of operation in Eastern Africa. This publication is our humble means of celebrating these years of service of marginalised communities in conflict zones. We thank our **funders** who have made all this possible, along with our **strategic partners** and collaborators across continents. We appreciate the efforts and dedication of **our team members** - current and past - and the support and encouragement of many **organizations** and **individuals** in **Eastern Africa**, **the USA**, **Ireland**, **Northern Ireland / UK**, **and elsewhere**. The contributions of Shalom-SCCRR **Boards of Governance and their Advisory Boards** worldwide have been exceptional in ensuring the realization of our vision and mission. Please continue sharing your wisdom and overview, your experience, your prayers, and your funding, into the future to enable us to develop and to achieve even greater impact.

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