

## Dr. João Gomes Porto

### Current

*Current Policy/Consultancy (on-going)*

- May 2016 - ...      **Advisor**  
**Mediation Process Design/Regional Dynamics**  
**Crisis Management Initiative**  
Helsinki, Finland
- Jan 2020 - ...      **Peacebuilding Advisor/Mediation Expert**  
**Conflict Prevention and Peacebuilding**  
**Experts Roster for Rapid Response**  
**UNDP Crisis Bureau**  
New York, USA
- Nov 2022 - ...      **Expert/practitioner in Dialogue, Mediation and Peace**  
**Process Support**  
**Framework Agreement**  
**Peace Processes Support Unit and Dialogue and Peace**  
**Mediation Unit**  
**Folke Bernadotte Academy (FBA)**  
Stockholm, Sweden

*Current Academic*

- April 2011 - ...      **Visiting Professor**  
**Institute for Peace and Security Studies**  
**Addis Ababa University**  
PhD Supervision; Modules taught: Preventive Diplomacy, Mediation and Dialogue (Executive Masters on African Peace and Security); Theoretical Perspective on Conflict, Peace and Security (PhD); Peacebuilding, Democracy and Development (PhD); Practical Research Methods (PhD)
- March 2013 - ...      **Visiting Professor**  
**Scuola Superiore de Sant'Anna**  
**Servizi per Alta Formazione**  
MA in Human Rights and Conflict Management
- April 2018 - ...      **International Steering Committee Member**

**Africa Peace Fellows  
University of California at Sacramento**

**Education**

- November 2002 **PhD in International Conflict Analysis**  
**Department of Politics and International Relations**  
**University of Kent at Canterbury (UKC)**  
*Thesis: 'The Role of Conflict Analysis in Conflict Resolution: Reflections on International Mediation, The case of Angola'*
- Oct 1996- Sept 1997 **MA in International Conflict Analysis with Merit**  
**Department of Politics and International Relations**  
**University of Kent at Canterbury, UK**  
*Dissertation: 'Benign Third Party Intervention and Conflict Resolution in Angola-Exploring alternative methods and approaches'*
- Oct 1991- Sept 1996 **Licenciatura in International Relations**  
(4 year undergraduate programme)  
**Department of International Relations**  
**Universidade Lusíada, Lisbon, Portugal**  
*Final Year Dissertation: "European Union: Union of Sovereignties or Sovereignty of the Union ?". Supervisor: Dr. Miguel Fontora.*
- Oct 1980- Jul 1990 **Liceu Nacional Infante D. Henrique (High school)**  
Macao, China  
A-levels in Mathematics, History and Geography

**Professional Experience (academic)**

- Jun 2019 – Jun 2022 **Senior International Expert**  
**GIZ Support to IPSS (MPSA Masters Course)**  
**Project: Management, Curricula Review and Introduction of New Advanced Training Courses for the Managing Peace and Security in Africa Masters (MPSA)**  
Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
- 2011 – Nov 2021 **Expert Consultant/Advisor**  
**African Union Peace and Security Department/GIZ**  
Long-term GIZ (GTZ) Support to the AU Peace and Security Department. Focused on policy, training and practical support in the areas of conflict prevention and early warning (CEWS, Panel of the Wise Secretariat, Office of the Director), conflict management and mediation (Mediation Support Unit).  
GIZ/ZEAES
- May 2015 – Feb 2019 **Advisory Board Member**  
**Social Science Research Council (SSRC, Brooklyn, New York)**  
**African Peacebuilding Network**  
Brooklyn, New York
- March 2015 – Dec 2019 **Senior Research Associate**  
**University of Johannesburg**  
**Faculty of Humanities**  
**Department of Politics and International Relations**
- May 2011 – May 2014 **Honorary Research Fellow**  
**Department of Peace Studies**  
**University of Bradford**  
Supervision of PhD students.

- April 2009 – May 2011 **Senior Lecturer** (tenured)  
**Director of Undergraduate Studies**  
**Department of Peace Studies**  
**University of Bradford**  
Module leader of: (i) Concepts and Practices of Peacemaking ; (ii) African Approaches to Conflict Resolution and Peacebuilding; (iii) Conflict Analysis; (iv) Regional Security Studies (Africa); (v) Introduction to Development Studies. Module contributor to: (vi) Introduction to African Politics; and (vii) Introduction to Peace Studies
- Aug 2009 – May 2011 **Deputy Director**  
**Centre for African Studies (JEFICAS)**  
**Department of Peace Studies**  
**University of Bradford**
- Sep 2010 – May 2011 **Principal Member**  
**Course Approval and Review Committee**  
**School of Social and International Studies**  
**University of Bradford**
- Oct 2005 – April 2009 **Lecturer, Grade B**  
(African Peace and Conflict Studies/Security Studies/  
Development Studies)  
**Department of Peace Studies**  
**University of Bradford**
- October 2007 -  
August 2009 **Academic Pioneer**  
Education for Sustainable Development (Ecoversity)  
**School of Social and International Studies**  
**University of Bradford**
- February 2002 -  
October 2005 **Sessional Lecturer**  
**Joint Staff and Command Course**  
**South African National War College**
- Oct 2001- Feb 2002 **Sessional Lecturer**  
**Conflict Analysis and Resolution**  
**University of Reading**  
**Graduate School of European and International Studies**
- Oct 2000- Jun 2001 **Teaching Assistant**  
**International Conflict Analysis and Resolution**  
**University of Kent at Canterbury**  
**Department of Politics and International Relations**

**Professional Experience (including research consultancies/professional training/  
by contract)**

- Jan 2020 – Oct 2022 **Senior Consultant Advisor**  
**Dialogue and Peace Mediation**  
Folke Bernadotte Academy (FBA)  
Sweden
- 29 Nov – 1 Dec 2021 **Lead Trainer/Facilitator**  
**Applying Mediation and Dialogue Skills to Local Initiatives in  
Yemen: Envisioning future joint action (Yemeni Women  
Mediators and Facilitators)**  
Crisis Management Initiative (CMI)

	Amman, Jordan
May – June 2021	<p><b>Lead Trainer</b>  <b>Virtual Learning Labs for Building Trust and Enhancing Inclusive Dialogue Initiatives in Yemen (Yemeni Women Mediators and Facilitators)</b>  Crisis Management Initiative (CMI)</p>
24 – 28 Nov 2021	<p><b>Lead Trainer</b>  <b>Virtual Training on Inclusive Mediation for Women Leading Dialogue and Peace Initiatives in Yemen (Yemeni Women Mediators and Facilitators)</b>  Crisis Management Initiative (CMI)</p>
June-Dec 2019	<p><b>Lead Consultant (Assessment and Evaluation)</b>  <b>Lessons Learnt and Assessment Study of ECOWAS Capacity Building Training Programmes on Dialogue and Mediation</b>  Folke Bernadotte Academy, Sweden  Study conducted in Lagos and Abuja, Nigeria; Bissau, Guinea Bissau.</p>
July 2019:	<p><b>Co-Facilitator</b>  <b>Enhancing the Capacity of the Guinea Bissau Parliament to Manage Inter-Party Disputes through the use of negotiation, dialogue and mediation</b>  ECOWAS Mediation and Facilitation Division (MFD) and European Union  Accra, Ghana</p>
January to April 2019	<p><b>Consultant/Project Design and Development</b>  <b>African Union Mediation Support Project</b>  <b>Ministry of Foreign Affairs</b>  Helsinki, Finland</p>
December 2018:	<p><b>Lead Facilitator/Trainer</b>  <b>Mediation and Dialogue of Electoral Disputes in Nigeria's SouthWest Geopolitical Zone</b>, ECOWAS Mediation and Facilitation Division (MFD) and Folke Bernadotte Academy, Lagos, Nigeria.</p>
October 2018:	<p><b>Lead Facilitator/Trainer</b>  <b>Mediation and Dialogue of Electoral Disputes/Women Mediators' Network of Guinea Bissau</b>, ECOWAS Mission in Guinea Bissau and Folke Bernadotte Academy, Bissau, Guinea Bissau.</p>
June/July 2018:	<p><b>Lead Facilitator/Trainer</b>  <b>Mediation and Dialogue of Electoral Disputes in Guinea Bissau</b>, ECOWAS Mediation and Facilitation Division (MFD) and Folke Bernadotte Academy, Bissau, Guinea Bissau.</p>
June 2018	<p><b>Lead Facilitator/Trainer</b>  <b>East African Community High Level Retreat</b>  <b>Reflections on Experiences, Best Practices and Lessons Learnt</b>  <b>East African Community</b>  12-15 June 2018, Mombasa, Kenya</p>
June 2017	<p><b>Lead Facilitator/Trainer</b>  <b>Advanced Training on Mediation and Negotiation Process Design: Simulation Exercise focusing on the Carana case-study</b>  <b>East African Community</b></p>

	Entebbe, Uganda, 27 June to 1 July 2017
Sept16-June18	<b>Advisor/Lead consultant</b> <b>ECOWAS Mediation Guidelines</b> <b>ECOWAS/CMI</b>
June 2016	<b>Lead Trainer</b> <b>Advanced Training on Mediation and Negotiation Process Design</b> <b>East African Community</b> Mombasa Kenya, 27 June to 1 July 2016
Sept - Dec 2015	<b>Consultant</b> <b>APSA Roadmap 2015-2020</b> <b>Results Based Management/Logical Framework Approach</b> <b>Conflict prevention, early warning and mediation</b> Project Management Team, Peace and Security Department African Union Commission
May – Dec 2015	<b>Principal Investigator</b> <b>United Nations Economic Commission for Africa</b> <b>Governance and Public Administration Division</b> Study on "Conflict in the Sahel Region, the Developmental Costs and Consequences"
September 2015	<b>Facilitator</b> <b>Consultative Experts Meeting on EAC State of Peace and Security Report</b> East African Community (EAC) Kampala, Uganda
September 2014	<b>Expert Resource Person</b> <b>Early Warning and Conflict Analysis</b> Executive Masters Managing Peace and Security in Africa 1 week intensive training to professionals from AU/RECs Institute for Peace and Security Studies Addis Ababa University
June 2014	<b>Lead Trainer</b> <b>Conflict Analysis for Mediation Strategy Design</b> Crisis Management Initiative (CMI)/ United Nations West Africa Office (UNWOA) 1 week intensive professional training to UNOWA staff and West African partner organisations Saly, Senegal
May 2014	<b>Expert Resource Person</b> <b>Preventive Diplomacy and Mediation</b> Executive Masters Managing Peace and Security in Africa 1 week intensive training to professionals from AU/RECs Institute for Peace and Security Studies Addis Ababa University
March 2014	<b>Expert Resource Person</b> <b>Early Warning and Conflict Analysis</b> Executive Masters Managing Peace and Security in Africa 1 week intensive training to professionals from AU/RECs Institute for Peace and Security Studies Addis Ababa University
June 2013	<b>Lead Trainer/Course Development</b> <b>Conflict Analysis and Mediation Course</b>

	<b>Kofi Annan International Peacekeeping Centre (KAIPTC) Accra, Ghana</b>
April 2013	<b>Lead Trainer/Course Development Conflict Analysis for Mediation Strategy Design Crisis Management Initiative (CMI)/ United Nations West Africa Office (UNWOA) Saly, Senegal</b>
Feb/March 2013	<b>Expert/Resource Person Independent Evaluation of the African Peace Facility Consultative Seminar with APF Stakeholders ADE/Kings College</b>
Mar 2012 – March 2013	<b>Consultant/Expert Researcher United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA) Governance and Public Administration Division</b> Research and writing of three chapters for UNECA's policy volume on "Mediation and the Architecture of Peace Agreements in Africa" (Guinea-Bissau, Angola and comparative chapter)
Oct 2012	<b>Course Designer and Trainer Mediation Skills Training for Economic Community of Central African States (ECCAS)/United Nations Office for West Africa (UNOCA) - Libreville Crisis Management Initiative (CMI)</b>
Oct 2012	<b>Consultant/Expert Advisor Strategic Advice on cooperation with the African Union/FES Strategic Framework 2012-2015 Friedrich-Ebert Stiftung (FES) Foundation</b>
Sept 2012	<b>Lead Curriculum Evaluation Coordinator Executive Master in Managing Peace and Security in Africa Institute for Peace and Security Studies Addis Ababa University</b>
Jun – Sept 2012	<b>Consultant (Professional Training) Design of "Conflict Analysis for Mediation Process Design" Crisis Management Initiative (CMI)</b>
May 2012	<b>Expert on Learning Design and Development Conflict Analysis and Mediation Course Kofi Annan International Peacekeeping Training Centre</b>
Jun 2011 – May 2012	<b>Expert Consultant (Academic) Curriculum Reviewer Executive Masters Course Managing Peace and Security in Africa (MPSA) Institute for Peace and Security Studies Addis Ababa University</b>
Jan 2010 – Dec 2010	<b>Expert Consultant (Conflict Early Warning Systems) African Union Conflict Management Division/ GIZ</b> Long-term GIZ (GTZ) Support for the Implementation of the Continental Early Warning System (CEWS) of the African Union. In support of the design and implementation of the African Union's Continental Early Warning System (CEWS), including methodology design, training on conflict analysis and mentoring of analysts and desk officers.
Mar 2009 – June 2009	<b>Expert Consultant (Conflict Early Warning Systems) Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa</b>

## **COMESA**

Development of the concept paper and operationalisation roadmap of COMWARN.

- Jan 2008 – Dec 2009 **Expert Consultant (Conflict Early Warning Systems)  
African Union Conflict Management Division/GIZ**  
Long-term GIZ (GTZ) Support for the Implementation of the Continental Early Warning System (CEWS) of the African Union  
In support of the design and implementation of the African Union's Continental Early Warning System (CEWS). including methodology design, training on conflict analysis and mentoring of analysts and desk officers.
- 2008 **Head of Mission  
International Centre for Transitional Justice/Centre for the Study of Violence and Reconciliation**  
Mission to Angola to gather primary data on issues of transitional justice in post-war Angola.
- Jan 2007 – Dec 2008 **Expert Consultant (Conflict Early Warning Systems)  
African Union Conflict Management Division/ GIZ**  
Long-term GIZ (GTZ) Support for the Implementation of the Continental Early Warning System (CEWS) of the African Union  
In support of the design and implementation of the African Union's Continental Early Warning System (CEWS). including methodology design, training on conflict analysis and mentoring of analysts and desk officers.
- 2005 **Consultant  
UK's Department for International Development (DFID)  
African Union - Continental Early Warning System (CEWS)**
- June 2003 – October 2005 **Head of Programme  
African Security Analysis Programme  
Institute for Security Studies**  
The African Security Analysis Programme (ASAP) is an early warning/conflict analysis department, covering 14 sub-Saharan African countries with 8 full-time staff members and a budget of approximately 600,000 EUR. Main responsibilities included: department management and administration, fundraising, donor liaison and reporting, strategic planning, editing and quality control of programme's publications. Training on conflict analysis and early warning systems developed during the period for the AU, ECOWAS, ECCAS and Nigeria's IPCR and cooperation agreement signed with FAST (Swisspeace).
- Feb 2002- June 2003 **Senior Researcher  
Africa Security Analysis Programme  
Institute for Security Studies**  
Pretoria, South Africa
- 2003 – 2005 **Country Expert, Angola  
FAST Early Warning System  
Swiss Peace Foundation**
- 2003 **Election Observer (Independent)**  
Rwanda's 2003 Presidential and Parliamentary Elections  
By invitation of the National Electoral Commission of the Republic of Rwanda
- 2001 **Conflict Assessment Advisor**

**United Nations Development Programme  
Bureau for Crisis Prevention and Recovery**  
Conflict Assessment Mission to Guatemala

- Jun 2000- Dec 2000 **Consultant**  
**Horn of Africa Desk**  
**ACORD- Agency for Co-operation and Research in Development**
- Jan 1999- Jun 2000 **Research Associate**  
**Research and Policy Programme**  
**ACORD- Agency for Co-operation and Research in Development**
- 2000-... **Conciliator** (active volunteer)  
**Newham Conflict and Change Project**  
Community Mediation Project
- Jan 1999-... **Translator** (freelance)  
ACORD- Agency for Co-operation and Research in Development  
(English/Portuguese; Portuguese/English)
- Jun 1998- Sept 1998 **Research Intern**  
Saferworld  
Conflict Programme  
Research on: arms trade with reference to Angola; small arms proliferation in southern Africa; causes of conflict and the Kosovo conflict.

**Other**

- March 2009 - ... **Editorial Board Member**  
African Security Review  
Institute for Security Studies
- January 2009 - ... **Editorial Board Member**  
Portuguese Journal of International Affairs  
Portuguese Institute of International Relations and Security

**Skills: Information Technology**

Computer literate in various office applications: Microsoft Office (Word, Powerpoint, Excel, Outlook and Access); Corel Draw and Adobe Acrobat. Internet and intranet working knowledge and extensive usage skills (web page content design, editing and maintenance). Knowledge and usage of email, networking and databases.

**Skills: Languages**

Portuguese (native speaker)  
English (fluent written and spoken)  
French (working knowledge; written and spoken)

**Other qualifications and courses**

- Oct 2000- Sept 2001 **Non-degree student**  
Kings College London  
Department of Portuguese and Brazilian Studies
- 2000 **Introduction to Conflict Management and Community Mediation Training**  
Community Mediation Project  
Newham Conflict and Change Project, London, United Kingdom.

**Selected papers/presentations at conferences**

Speaker at Economic Community of Central African States (ECCAS) High-Level Conference "APSA: Défis et perspectives pour faire taire les armes en Afrique Centrale: regardant en arrière, regardant vers l'avenir". Presentation on "Agenda 2063: Progress, Challenges and Prospects" (made online), Kinshasa, DRC 14-15 October 2022,  
Keynote speaker at California State University, Sacramento, at the 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Africa/Diaspora Conference dedicated to theme "The African Peace and Security Architecture: Lessons, challenges and opportunities". Keynote address titled: "Towards a Truly Continental African Peace and Security Architecture: Critical reflections on the Regional Economic Communities as pillars of APSA", Sacramento, California, The African Union's Continental Early Warning System: Methodological and operational contributions from conflict research", Sacramento, 26 April 2018.

African Union Commission, Strategic Perspectives on AU Mediation in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century, presented on "*African Union Mediation Support Unit: Structures and Institutions*" and submitted a draft paper titled "African Union Mediation Strategy Key Elements: 2015 to 2017", Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, 6 and 7 September 2016.

Netherlands Institute for International Relations Clingendael, Negotiation and Mediation as an Instrument for Conflict Resolution, Training to ECOWAS Commission and National Offices, half day training on "Strengthening mediation capacities and exploring strategic and operational support through MSUs", 21 April 2016.

Netherlands Institute for International Relations Clingendael, Negotiation and Mediation as an Instrument for Conflict Resolution, Training to ECOWAS Commission, presentation on "Strengthening mediation capacities and exploring strategic and operational support through MSUs", 29 November 2015.

United Nations' Office of the Special Advisor on Africa, High-Level Expert Group Meeting on Conflict-Induced Migration in Africa: Maximizing New Opportunities to Address its Peace, Security and Inclusive Development Dimensions, presented on "*Silencing the Guns in Africa: Agenda 2063 Comprehensive Approach to Tackling Forced Migration and Inclusive Development*", Durban, South Africa, 23-24 November 2015.

African Union, Third Retreat of the Pan-African Network of the Wise (PanWise), Silencing the Guns by 2020: The PanWise and the Promotion of Cultures of Peace in Africa, prepared the concept documents and presented on "*The PanWise Draft Accreditation Mechanism and Code of Conduct*", Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, 16-17 November 2015.

African Union, Sixth Meeting of the Chairperson of the AU Commission and the AU Special Envoys and Heads of Liaison Offices, "*Mediation Support in Practice*", Windhoek, Namibia, 20 October 2015

Peace Mediation Germany and German Federal Foreign Office, *Mediation Expert Meeting 2015: "Identifying Mediation Entry Points"*, presented on "Scenario-building and mapping tools", Berlin, Germany, 5 October 2015.

East African Community, *Consultative Meeting on Production of the EAC Peace and Security Report*, presented on "Strategic Conflict and Cooperation Assessments", Kampala, Uganda, 28 September 2015.

Wilton Park, *Peacebuilding in Africa: Evolving Challenges, Responses and New African Thinking*, presented on "Peacebuilding policy spaces: evolving issues and actors", 23-25 February 2015.

United Nations Commission for Africa, Regional Workshop on Combating Insecurity and Violent Extremism in the Sahel: Implications for Socio-Economic Development, presentation

on "The Impact of Insecurity and Violent Extremism on Governance, Economic Growth and Development in the Sahel Region", Abuja, Nigeria, 5 November 2014.

African Union, 14<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Panel of the Wise, Inaugural Meeting of the third Panel of the Wise, presented on "Review of the Achievements and Challenges of the Panel since its Creation", Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, 15-16 September 2014.

African Union, 14<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Panel of the Wise, Inaugural Meeting of the third Panel of the Wise, presented on "The Pan-African Network of the Wise (PanWise): Background, rationale and potential", Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, 15-16 September 2014.

African Union, African Union Chairperson's Retreat on "Silencing the Guns in Africa: Building a Roadmap to a Conflict Free Continent", presented on "Lifting the Lid of the Boiling Pot: Challenges of addressing youth violence in Africa's growing cities", Durban, 28-29 April 2014.

Discussant at the 5<sup>th</sup> European Conference on African Studies held in Lisbon in June 2013. Panel: *Defining Peace, Security and Democratisation: The African Union and Multi-Layered Arenas*.

United Nations Economic Commission for Africa, Expert Group Meeting on "Assessing the Design and Architecture of Peace Accords in Africa: Best Practices and Challenges", made two presentations: "Guinea-Bissau and the 1998 Abuja Peace Agreement: Reflections on the Challenges of Multiparty Mediation" and "Waging War to Make Peace: Success and Failure of International Mediation in Angola", Harare 22-24 November 2012.

African Union, African Union 2012 High level Retreat of Special Envoys and Mediators, presented on the Plenary Session titled "Ten Years of the African Union: Efforts in the Promotion of Peace and Security", Cairo 4-6 November 2012.

Keynote speaker at the Conflict Research Society's Annual Conference dedicated to the theme "Peace and Conflict: an international interdisciplinary conference" held at the University of Bradford on 7-8 September 2010. Keynote address titled: "The African Union's Continental Early Warning System: Methodological and operational contributions from conflict research"

Presented on "EU-Africa Strategic Partnership: Preliminary Evaluation of the Peace and Security Dimension" at the EARN conference in Lisbon focusing on EU-Africa peace and security relations. The conference took place in Lisbon on 7 and 8 June 2010.

Keynote concluding address and member of the organisation committee of the international conference "Africa and the Sea in the 21st Century: A comparative perspective on trends and challenges in the Mediterranean Sea, Indian and Atlantic Oceans" with the Centre for African Studies (ISCTE) in Lisbon. Conference held on 27<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> May 2010.

Organised a panel and presented a paper at the 3<sup>rd</sup> European Conference on African Studies held in Leipzig in June 2009. Panel: *Towards an African Peace and Security Regime: Institutionalisation, norm promotion and continental embeddedness of the African Peace and Security Architecture*. Paper: "The African Union New Peace and Security Architecture: Towards an Evolving Security Regime?".

Development and Peace Foundation/InWEnt, *Potsdam Spring Dialogues*, "Regional Governance in Africa", invited to make a presentation on "The African Union Continental Early Warning System", 27-28 March 2009.

University of York (PRDU), invited as expert speaker at a consultation workshop on "Identity, Ideology and Child Soldiering: Community Mediation and Participation in Civil Conflict", February 2009.

Centre d'étude d'Afrique Noire/ Institut d'études Politiques, "Colloque : Les conflits armés en Afrique Approches locales, contexte global", Invited to present on "From soldiers to Citizens: Reconceptualising reintegration in war to peace transitions", 10 October 2008.

International Studies Association, Annual Convention, Organised panel and presented a paper titled "*Strategic Conflict Assessment at the African Union's Continental Early Warning System: A Critical Methodological Discussion*", San Francisco, March 2008.

Portuguese Institute for International Relations (IPRI), conference dedicated to the theme "*The EU and Africa: Looking for a Transatlantic Partnership*", wrote and presented a paper on Zimbabwe titled '*Zimbabué: Contributos para a Compreensão duma Crise Multifacetada*', Lisbon, November 2007.

Centre for International Cooperation and Security, Residential training to Ministry of Defence Senior Staff on "African Security and Peacekeeping in Complex Political Emergencies", presented on "The Evolving African Security Architecture: Overview and Synthesis" and "From Soldiers to Citizens: Demilitarisation of Conflict and Society", 22-26 October 2007. Conflicts and Peacebuilding Challenges in Southern Africa

Centre for International Cooperation and Security, Residential training to Ministry of Defence Senior Staff on African Security and Peacekeeping in Complex Political Emergencies, presented on "Conflicts and Peacebuilding Challenges in Southern Africa" and "Peacekeeping & Post-Conflict Reconstruction Experiences: Mozambique & Angola", 24-28 October 2005.

Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik (SWP), Conference on "Peace and Security in Africa: What Role for Europe?", Paper entitled "The New African Security Architecture", Berlin, 21 March 2005.

Norwegian Institute of International Affairs, Conference on "The Security Situation in Sub-Saharan Africa: An Overview of 2004", Paper entitled "The Evolving African Security Architecture: Overview and Synthesis", Oslo, 18-19 October 2004.

Norwegian Institute of International Affairs (NUPI), Conference on "The current security situation in Africa: A mixture of ongoing conflicts, hopes of peace, and fragile settlements", Papers entitled "The new African Security Architecture" and "From Wars to Complex Emergencies to Negotiated Settlements", Oslo, December 2003.

Instituto de Estudos Estrategicos e Internacionais, Conference on "The Challenges of Europe- Africa Relations: An Agenda of Priorities", Paper entitled "Conflict Resolution and the Promotion of Peace: What role for international and regional organisations?", Lisbon, 23 October 2003.

University of Bradford (Department of Peace Studies), Norwegian Institute of International Affairs and the Bonn International Centre for Conversion, Conference on Angola, Paper entitled 'Overview and preliminary assessment of DD&R in Angola, April -October 2002', Geneva, 12-16 November 2002.

Centre for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS), Public Seminar, Paper entitled 'Overview and preliminary assessment of disarmament, demobilisation and repatriation in Angola: April-October 2002', Washington, 9 December 2002.

Royal Institute of International Affairs, Chatham House, Conference on "Western Foreign Policy Towards Angola", Paper entitled 'Regional perspectives of Western foreign policy towards Angola: The South African perspective', London, 12 September 2002.

King's College London, Department of Portuguese and Brazilian Studies, Conference on 'New research in Lusophone Africa', Paper entitled 'Which way forward? A comparative analysis of Angola's peace processes', London, 16 May 2002.

South African Institute for International Affairs, Conference on 'Angola: Prospects for peace and the role of civil society', Paper entitled 'General overview of the Angolan situation', Johannesburg, 29 April 2002.

### **Publications and selected policy research papers**

Gomes Porto, João and Kapinga Yvette Ngandu, "The African Union Panel of the Wise: A Concise History", African Centre for the Constructive Resolution of Disputes (ACORD), Durban, pp. 192, December 2015.

Engel, U. and João Gomes Porto, "Imagining, Implementing and Integrating the African Peace and Security Architecture: The African Union's Challenges", in Ulf Engel and João Gomes Porto (Guest Eds), *Imagining, Implementing and Integrating the African Peace and Security Architecture: The African Union's Challenges*, *African Security*, Special Issue, 7, 2014, pp. 135-146.

Gomes Porto, João and Kapinga Yvette Ngandu, "The African Union, Preventive Diplomacy, Mediation and the Panel of the Wise: Review and reflection on the Panel's first six years", in Ulf Engel and João Gomes Porto (Guest Eds), *Imagining, Implementing and Integrating the African Peace and Security Architecture: The African Union's Challenges*, *African Security*, Special Issue, 7, 2014, pp. 181-206.

Gomes Porto, João. "Guinea Bissau and the 1998 Peace Agreement: Reflections on the challenges of Multi-Party Mediation", in UNECA (Ed) *Mediation and the Architecture of Peace Agreements*, United Nations Economic Commission for Africa, Addis Ababa, Forthcoming 2014, pp. 65.

Gomes Porto, João. "Waging War to Make Peace: Success and failure of International Mediation in Angola", in UNECA (Ed) *Mediation and the Architecture of Peace Agreements*, United Nations Economic Commission for Africa, Addis Ababa, Forthcoming 2014, pp.84.

Gomes Porto, João. "Mediation and the Architecture of Peace Agreements: Best practices and lessons learned", in UNECA (Ed) *Mediation and the Architecture of Peace Agreements*, United Nations Economic Commission for Africa, Addis Ababa, Forthcoming 2014, pp.61.

Engel, Ulf and João Gomes Porto, "The African Union and African Security", in James H. Hentz (Ed), *Routledge Handbook of African Security*, Routledge, New York and Oxon, 2014.

Engel, Ulf and João Gomes Porto (Eds), *Towards an African Peace and Security Regime: Continental Embeddedness, Transnational Linkages, Strategic Relevance*, Ashgate Publishers, 2013.

Gomes Porto, João. "Mediators *not* in the Middle: Revisiting the normative dimensions of international mediation" in Ulf Engel (Ed) *New Mediation Practices in African Conflicts*, Global History and International Studies 4, University of Leipzig Press, October 2012.

Gomes Porto, João. "Multipronged Strategies for a Multifaceted Crisis? A critical reflection on EU Policy Towards Zimbabwe", in S Ganzle, S Grimm and D Makhani (Eds), *The European Union and Global Development: An Enlightened Superpower in the Making?*, Palgrave Macmillan, 2012

Engel, Ulf with João Gomes Porto (Eds), *Africa's New Peace and Security Architecture: Promoting Norms and Institutionalising Solutions*, Ashgate Publishers, March 2010.

Gomes Porto, João. "Zimbabué: Contributos para a compreensão duma crise multifacetada" in Manuela Franco (Ed), *A UE e Africa: Em Busca de uma Parceria Estratégica*, Instituto Portugues de Relacoes Internacionais (IPRI), November 2009.

Ulf Engel and João Gomes Porto, "The African Union New Peace and Security Architecture: Towards an Evolving Security Regime?", Special Issue of African Security Edited by Fredrik Soderbaum, Volume 2 Issues 2-3, Taylor and Francis, November 2009.

(Policy research) Gomes Porto, João and Doug Bond, *COMESA Early Warning System: Development of COMWARN*, Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa, First Experts Workshop on COMESA Conflict Early Warning System, COM/LEG/CPS/WCEW/I/3 REV 1, Port Louis, Mauritius, 18th - 20th May, 2009.

Gomes Porto, João. 'The Mainstreaming of Conflict Analysis in Africa: Contributions from Theory', D Francis (Ed), Peace and Conflict in Africa, pp.46-67, Zed Books, September 2008.

Gomes Porto, João. "Zimbabué: Contributos para a compreensão duma crise multifacetada", Relações Internacionais, March 2008.

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