

Dr. João Gomes Porto

Curriculum Vitae

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Current

Current Policy/Consultancy (on-going)

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| May 2016 - ... | Advisor
Mediation Process Design/Regional Dynamics
Crisis Management Initiative (CMI Martti Ahtisaari Peace Foundation)
Helsinki, Finland |
| Nov 2020 - ... | International Mediation Expert
UNDP Guinea-Bissau
Bissau, Guinea-Bissau |
| 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 |
| Jan 2020 - ... | Peacebuilding Advisor/Mediation Expert
Conflict Prevention and Peacebuilding
Experts Roster for Rapid Response
UNDP Crisis Bureau
New York, USA |

Education

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| July 2003 | PhD in International Conflict Analysis
Department of Politics and International Relations
University of Kent at Canterbury (UKC)
<i>Thesis: 'The Role of Conflict Analysis in Conflict Resolution: Reflections on International Mediation, The case of Angola'</i> |
| Oct 1996- Sept 1997 | MA in International Conflict Analysis with Merit
Department of Politics and International Relations
University of Kent at Canterbury, UK
<i>Dissertation: 'Benign Third Party Intervention and Conflict Resolution in Angola-Exploring alternative methods and approaches'</i> |
| Oct 1991- Sept 1996 | Licenciatura in International Relations
(4 year undergraduate programme)
Department of International Relations
Universidade Lusíada, Lisbon, Portugal
<i>Final Year Dissertation: "European Union: Union of Sovereignties or Sovereignty of the Union ?". Supervisor: Dr. Miguel Fontora.</i> |

Oct 1980- Jul 1990 **Liceu Nacional Infante D. Henrique** (High school)
Macao, China
A-levels in Mathematics, History and Geography

Professional Experience (academic)

April 2011 – Dec 2022 **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

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/ZEAS

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 **Lead Trainer**
**Virtual Learning Labs for Building Trust and Enhancing
Inclusive Dialogue Initiatives in Yemen (Yemeni Women
Mediators and Facilitators)**

	Crisis Management Initiative (CMI)
24 – 28 Nov 2021	Lead Trainer Virtual Training on Inclusive Mediation for Women Leading Dialogue and Peace Initiatives in Yemen (Yemeni Women Mediators and Facilitators) Crisis Management Initiative (CMI)
June-Dec 2019	Lead Consultant (Assessment and Evaluation) Lessons Learnt and Assessment Study of ECOWAS Capacity Building Training Programmes on Dialogue and Mediation Folke Bernadotte Academy, Sweden Study conducted in Lagos and Abuja, Nigeria; Bissau, Guinea Bissau.
July 2019:	Co-Facilitator Enhancing the Capacity of the Guinea Bissau Parliament to Manage Inter-Party Disputes through the use of negotiation, dialogue and mediation ECOWAS Mediation and Facilitation Division (MFD) and European Union Accra, Ghana
January to April 2019	Consultant/Project Design and Development African Union Mediation Support Project Ministry of Foreign Affairs Helsinki, Finland
December 2018:	Lead Facilitator/Trainer Mediation and Dialogue of Electoral Disputes in Nigeria's SouthWest Geopolitical Zone , ECOWAS Mediation and Facilitation Division (MFD) and Folke Bernadotte Academy, Lagos, Nigeria.
October 2018:	Lead Facilitator/Trainer Mediation and Dialogue of Electoral Disputes/Women Mediators' Network of Guinea Bissau , ECOWAS Mission in Guinea Bissau and Folke Bernadotte Academy, Bissau, Guinea Bissau.
June/July 2018:	Lead Facilitator/Trainer Mediation and Dialogue of Electoral Disputes in Guinea Bissau , ECOWAS Mediation and Facilitation Division (MFD) and Folke Bernadotte Academy, Bissau, Guinea Bissau.
June 2018	Lead Facilitator/Trainer East African Community High Level Retreat Reflections on Experiences, Best Practices and Lessons Learnt East African Community 12-15 June 2018, Mombasa, Kenya
June 2017	Lead Facilitator/Trainer Advanced Training on Mediation and Negotiation Process Design: Simulation Exercise focusing on the Carana case-study East African Community Entebbe, Uganda, 27 June to 1 July 2017
Sept16-June18	Advisor/Lead consultant ECOWAS Mediation Guidelines ECOWAS/CMI

June 2016	Lead Trainer Advanced Training on Mediation and Negotiation Process Design East African Community Mombasa Kenya, 27 June to 1 July 2016
Sept - Dec 2015	Consultant APSA Roadmap 2015-2020 Results Based Management/Logical Framework Approach Conflict prevention, early warning and mediation Project Management Team, Peace and Security Department African Union Commission
May – Dec 2015	Principal Investigator United Nations Economic Commission for Africa Governance and Public Administration Division Study on “Conflict in the Sahel Region, the Developmental Costs and Consequences”
September 2015	Facilitator Consultative Experts Meeting on EAC State of Peace and Security Report East African Community (EAC) Kampala, Uganda
September 2014	Expert Resource Person Early Warning and Conflict Analysis 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	Lead Trainer Conflict Analysis for Mediation Strategy Design 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	Expert Resource Person Preventive Diplomacy and Mediation 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	Expert Resource Person Early Warning and Conflict Analysis 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	Lead Trainer/Course Development Conflict Analysis and Mediation Course Kofi Annan International Peacekeeping Centre (KAIPTC) Accra, Ghana
April 2013	Lead Trainer/Course Development Conflict Analysis for Mediation Strategy Design Crisis Management Initiative (CMI)/

**United Nations West Africa Office (UNWOA)
Saly, Senegal**

Feb/March 2013	Expert/Resource Person Independent Evaluation of the African Peace Facility Consultative Seminar with APF Stakeholders ADE/Kings College
Mar 2012 – March 2013	Consultant/Expert Researcher United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA) Governance and Public Administration Division 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	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)
Oct 2012	Consultant/Expert Advisor Strategic Advice on cooperation with the African Union/FES Strategic Framework 2012-2015 Friedrich-Ebert Stiftung (FES) Foundation
Sept 2012	Lead Curriculum Evaluation Coordinator Executive Master in Managing Peace and Security in Africa Institute for Peace and Security Studies Addis Ababa University
Jun – Sept 2012	Consultant (Professional Training) Design of "Conflict Analysis for Mediation Process Design" Crisis Management Initiative (CMI)
May 2012	Expert on Learning Design and Development Conflict Analysis and Mediation Course Kofi Annan International Peacekeeping Training Centre
Jun 2011 – May 2012	Expert Consultant (Academic) Curriculum Reviewer Executive Masters Course Managing Peace and Security in Africa (MPSA) Institute for Peace and Security Studies Addis Ababa University
Jan 2010 – Dec 2010	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.
Mar 2009 – June 2009	Expert Consultant (Conflict Early Warning Systems) Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa 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

	<p>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.</p>
2008	<p>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.</p>
Jan 2007 – Dec 2008	<p>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.</p>
2005	<p>Consultant UK's Department for International Development (DFID) African Union - Continental Early Warning System (CEWS)</p>
June 2003 – October 2005	<p>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).</p>
Feb 2002- June 2003	<p>Senior Researcher Africa Security Analysis Programme Institute for Security Studies Pretoria, South Africa</p>
2003 – 2005	<p>Country Expert, Angola FAST Early Warning System Swiss Peace Foundation</p>
2003	<p>Election Observer (Independent) Rwanda's 2003 Presidential and Parliamentary Elections By invitation of the National Electoral Commission of the Republic of Rwanda</p>
2001	<p>Conflict Assessment Advisor United Nations Development Programme Bureau for Crisis Prevention and Recovery Conflict Assessment Mission to Guatemala</p>
Jun 2000- Dec 2000	<p>Consultant</p>

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.
- 1991-96 **Language diploma in French & English**
Universidade Lusitana, Lisbon, Portugal

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 Estrategica*, 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.

Poku, Nana with Neil Renwick and João Gomes Porto, "Human Security and Development in Africa", International Affairs, 83:6, 2007.

Gomes Porto, João with Chris Alden and Imogen Parsons, From Soldiers to Citizens: Demilitarisation of Conflict and Society, Ashgate Publishers, November, 2007.

Gomes Porto, João with Chris Alden and Imogen Parsons, From Soldiers to Citizens: A study of the social, economic and political reintegration of UNITA ex-combatants in post-conflict Angola, Institute for Security Studies, Monograph Series, Forthcoming, 2007.

Gomes Porto, João. 'A Nova Arquitectura de Segurança Africana: O alerta antecipado no seio da União Africana'. Os Desafios das Relações Europa-África: Uma Agenda de Prioridades, Instituto de Estudos Estratégicos e Internacionais, Lisbon, November 2004.

Malan, Mark and João Gomes Porto (Eds). Challenges of Peace Implementation: The UN mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Institute for Security Studies, April 2004.

Gomes Porto, João. 'Angola Quarterly Risk Assessment: January to February 2004' in *FAST Update*, SwissPeace, Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation, March 2004.

Gomes Porto, João. 'Angola', in Revolutionary and Dissident Movements: an international reference guide (4th edition), Bogdan Szajkowski (Ed), John Harper Publishing, 2004.

Gomes Porto, João. 'Mozambique', in Revolutionary and dissident movements: an international reference guide (4th edition), Bogdan Szajkowski (Ed), John Harper Publishing, 2004.

Gomes Porto, João. *Cabinda: Notes on a soon to be forgotten war*, ISS Paper No 77, August 2003.

Gomes Porto, João. 'Mozambique's contribution to the Africa Mission in Burundi'. African Security Analysis Situation Report, May 2003. www.iss.co.za

Gomes Porto, João and Imogen Parsons. Sustaining the Peace in Angola. An Overview of Current Demobilisation, Disarmament and Reintegration. Bonn International Centre for Conversion (BICC), Paper 27, March 2003. Also published by the Institute for Security Studies, Monograph Series, No. 83, April 2003.

Gomes Porto, João and Jenny Clover. 'The peace dividend in Angola: Strategic implications for Okavango basin cooperation'. Transboundary Rivers, Sovereignty and Development: Hydropolitical drivers in the Okavango River basin, A Turton, P Ashton & Eugene Cloete (Eds), African Water Issues Research Unit (AWIRU) and Green Cross International (GCI), 2003.

Gomes Porto, João. 'As Relacoes entre Angola e Africa do Sul: Cooperacao Construtiva ou Rivalidade Prematura?'. O Mundo em Portugues, Instituto de Estudos Estrategicos e Internacionais, Vol. III (31), Lisbon, 2002.

Gomes Porto, João. 'Angola at DD+040: Preliminary Assessment of the quartering, disarmament and demobilisation process'. African Security Analysis Programme Situation Report, 4 June 2002. www.iss.co.za

Gomes Porto, João. 'Contemporary Conflict Analysis in Perspective'. Scarcity and Surfeit: The Ecology of Africa's Conflicts, Jeremy Lind and Kathryn Sturman (Eds), Institute for Security Studies, June, 2002.

Gomes Porto, João. '*Angola: A Case for Cautious Optimism*'. Business in Africa Magazine, June 2002.

Gomes Porto, João with Richard Cornwell and Henri Boshoff. '*Death of Savimbi renews hope for Peace in Angola. And yet, can the Black Cockerel Fly?*'. African Security Analysis Situation Report, 26 March 2002. www.iss.co.za

Ruben Zamora, João Porto, Wandia Gichuru and Luca Renda. '*Guatemala: The Long Struggle For Peace. EXPANDING THE ROLE OF UNDP IN SUPPORT OF THE GUATEMALA PEACE PROCESS*'. Report by the Bureau for Crisis Prevention and Recovery, UNDP, January 2002

Gomes Porto, João. '*Is this the African Renaissance? Domestic conflicts' threat to regional security in Africa in the 1990s*'. Journal of the Royal United Services Institute for Defence Studies. Whitehall London, October, 1999.