

## **Health Systems through Crisis and Recovery**

**Faculty 2018 (09 – 20 April 2018)**

The teachers have different backgrounds, ranging from the academia to NGOs to international organizations. All of them have proven experience of work in conflict-affected environments, and are involved in the international debate and in research about formulating effective policy responses to the challenges posed by such contexts.

*Full-time trainer:* **Enrico Pavignani**

*Lecturers:*

**Gabriella Arcadu**

**Mark Beesley**

**Sandro Colombo**

**Flavia Riccardo**

**Emanuele Sommario**

### **Bionotes of the trainers**

**Gabriella Arcadu**, a political scientist, is a founder and co-director of 4change, an association whose focus is the development of training, analysis, research and evaluation activities in areas such as post-conflict rehabilitation, humanitarian assistance, human rights and development cooperation. She has over 16 years of international experience and has developed analysis and implemented humanitarian and capacity-building programmes in a number of countries, such as Angola, Ethiopia, Afghanistan, Kosovo, Indonesia, Jordan and Turkey. She holds a PhD on demobilisation and reintegration of combatants in Africa.

**Mark Beesley** is a nurse by training, a technical advisor by profession and a health worker trainer and supervisor by experience - and inclination. He is happiest in the 'field' where policy confronts practice...and where practice often fights back. Technically, his formative experiences were in post-insurrection Nicaragua where he worked as a PHC nurse volunteer. Since then, he has worked, and sometimes succeeded, to use creative and participatory in-service training and integrated supervision as devices to trigger systemic responses in the health sectors of Mozambique, Angola (on both sides), all three Somalias, and Southern Sudan, chiefly at district or provincial levels. The motivation of the end-users of policy - the basic- and mid-level health workers of all disciplines, particularly those in rural postings - remains close to his heart.

**Sandro Colombo** is a MD with an MSc in Epidemiology and a diploma in Health System Management from the LSHTM. Between 1978 and 1986 he worked as an epidemiologist in Italy. From 1986 to 1998 he worked in Mozambique for various bilateral and multilateral agencies. In 2001 he joined the WHO Emergency division in Geneva. From 2008 to 2010 he was Director of

Health Systems for the NGO International Rescue Committee. Beside Mozambique, he has worked in Afghanistan, Liberia, Iraq, Somalia, Sudan, Angola, Uganda, the DR Congo, Pakistan and Haiti. His main areas of work include health systems analysis, health in post-conflict transitions, health information management and field epidemiology.

**Enrico Pavignani** worked in Mozambique from 1980 until 2002, first as a district doctor, then as a trainer of mid-level health workers, and subsequently as a planner and policy analyst posted at the Ministry of Health. He has studied the health systems of Angola, Tanzania, Afghanistan, Sudan, DR Congo, Somalia, Liberia and Palestine. He holds an MSc in Public Health from the LSHTM. His main interests are planning and evaluation of health services, human resource development, PHC provision, management of external aid, analysis of war-torn healthcare arenas and post-conflict reconstruction.

**Flavia Riccardo** is an MD, PhD and an infectious disease specialist who has worked since 2004 with a number of international organizations, including the Red Cross, UN and NGOs, both in conflict and non-conflict settings in West Africa, South Asia and the Middle East. Currently she is working as a researcher in infectious disease epidemiology in the National Public Health Institute in Rome (ISS). Her main interests are health policy and the implementation of international health regulations in the Mediterranean area, with a particular focus on communicable diseases, access to health care by vulnerable populations, surveillance and epidemic intelligence.

**Sameen Siddiqi**, a physician by training, holds a Master's degree in Public Health from the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine and a Doctoral degree in Public Health from the University of Heidelberg, Germany. He is currently WHO Representative in Iran. He has also been Director of Department of Health System Development in the Regional Office for the Eastern Mediterranean in Cairo, and WHO Representative in Lebanon. Prior to this, he worked for the World Bank and for the German Agency for Technical Cooperation in Pakistan. His specific areas of interest have been health financing, governance of health systems, international trade in health services, and private healthcare provision. He is the author of over 40 publications in peer-reviewed journals and book chapters.

**Emanuele Sommario** is Assistant Professor of International Law at the Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna in Pisa (Italy), where he is also Programme Officer at the International Training Programme for Conflict Management. He holds a PhD in International Law from the same institution and an LLM in Public International Law from the University of Nottingham (UK). His research interests include Human Rights Law, International Humanitarian Law, the International Law on the use of force, and International Disaster Law. He served in several Electoral Observation Missions and has been engaged in training activities for the personnel of international, governmental and non-governmental organisations in Italy, the Horn of Africa, the Balkans and the Middle East.