



13th Annual Workshop of the Households in Conflict Network
“Development Aid in Conflict-Affected Countries”
Brussels, 15-16 November 2017

Call for Papers

Do outside interventions in conflict-affected areas do any good? Do they fuel the conflict further? Can donor agencies and NGO's plan their intervention in such a way as not to become an actor in the conflict themselves? What is the space in which the development and humanitarian aid community has to maneuver? What is the empirical evidence of the impact of interventions in conflict-affected settings?

These are the themes under which the 13th Annual Workshop of HiCN will run. We invite papers that can shed light on the effect of food aid on the beneficiaries as well as the warring parties, on demobilization, reintegration and employment programs, on the role of media during conflict, on forced displacement, on new ways to collect data during conflict and on the impact of prevention and peace programs, to name but a few.

As in other years, papers on the causes, functioning and consequences of violent conflict are also welcome, provided they have a strong empirical component, including newly collected data, new analyses of existing data, impact evaluations, experiments in the field, archival data.

The **First Key Note speech** will be given by **Jeremy Weinstein**, Professor of Political Science at Stanford University. He recently served as Deputy to the U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations and as Director for Development and Democracy on the National Security Council staff at the White House under the Obama Administration (<https://profiles.stanford.edu/jeremy-weinstein>). The **Second Key Note speech** will be delivered by **Stefan Dercon**, Professor of Economic Policy at Oxford University. (<http://www.economics.ox.ac.uk/Academic/stefan-dercon>). He serves as Chief Economist for DFID.

The workshop will take place at the Université libre de Bruxelles, Brussels. Exact location will be announced later. Please send your papers to the email address of the workshop: brussels.nov2017@gmail.com no later than 15 May, 2017. Selected authors will be informed by 1 June, 2017. There will be no scholarships or other cost sharing options. Presenters and participants have to organize and finance their attendance themselves.

The workshop is co-organized by the HiCN co-directors Tilman Brück, Patricia Justino and Philip Verwimp. See the HiCN website for further information (www.hicn.org)