



## **Professional Training Program on the Prevention of Mass Atrocities**

**11-12 June 2013, Montreal, Quebec, Canada**

### **PROGRAM OVERVIEW**

The Montreal Institute for Genocide and Human Rights Studies will be hosting a two-day, non-credit, professional training program focused on the prevention of genocide and mass atrocity crimes. The event will be held at Concordia University in Montreal from the morning of Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2013 to the evening of Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2013. This program is tailored to mid- to senior-level professionals interested in improving the skills necessary to apply methods and practices grounded in basic human rights, and engaging in exploratory discussions regarding potential responses to emerging crises where mass atrocity crimes might take place.

For this special training program, MIGS distinguished senior fellow and Canadian Senator, Roméo Dallaire, and former Canadian Minister of Justice, Irwin Cotler, have already confirmed their participation. Other expert instructors include Simon Adams (Executive Director of the Global Center for the Responsibility to Protect), Colette Mazzucelli (Associate Professor at the Center for Global Affairs, New York University), Allan Thompson (Professor of Journalism at Carleton University), Payam Akhavan (Associate Professor at McGill University), Frank Chalk (MIGS Director at Concordia University), and Kyle Matthews (Senior Deputy Director of the Will to Intervene Project)

### **TOPICS**

The training program will be divided into seven thematic sessions presented by internationally-recognized experts and instructors in the field of genocide prevention. Topics are:

- International Law and the Genocide Convention
- The Responsibility to Protect
- Will to Intervene and the Role of National Governments
- The Role of Journalists in Genocide Prevention



- The Role of the UN and Regional Organizations in preventing mass atrocities
- Mobilizing Technology for Prevention
- Case study on the Arab Spring

## WHO SHOULD PARTICIPATE

The Professional Training Program on the Prevention of Mass Atrocities is open to any professionals with several years of experience in a field relevant to human rights, international affairs, and international development. These could include:

- Government agency officials and senior staff
- Policy-makers, diplomats, and think tank officials
- Staff and officers of NGOs and community-based organizations
- Staff and officers of international organizations
- Advocates and activists
- Scholars and researchers
- Journalists and media professionals
- Politicians and political aides

## PROGRAM FEE

As an independent non-profit university-based research center, MIGS operates its professional development activities on a cost-recovery basis. For the the Professional Training Program on the Prevention of Mass Atrocities, the associated participation fees are:

**CAN\$600** (Fee and payment Information below)

Fees include registration costs, most meals, networking reception, and conference materials. Please note that transportation (to and from Montréal) and accommodation are **not** included in the training fees. Participants will have the option to arrange accommodations at a preferred rate at the Chateau Versailles Hotel in downtown Montréal.

## HOW TO APPLY

The intake number for the training program is limited to fifty participants. Applicants to the professional training program will be notified of admission within two weeks from the date their application is received. **In the event that your application is accepted, MIGS will send**



applicants a link to register and pay course fees. To apply, please click on this link and complete the survey.

<http://fs10.formsite.com/aorlowski/form1/index.html?1361219084767>

If you have any questions regarding the professional training program, please contact us at [migs@concordia.ca](mailto:migs@concordia.ca)

### TUITION PAYMENT INFORMATION

#### *Payment Methods, Deadline, and Cancellation Policy*

Applicants to the professional training program will be notified of admission within two weeks from the date their application is received. In the event that your application is accepted, MIGS will send a confirmation link to register and pay program fees. Due to limited space, registration will be made on a first come, first serve basis. Admitted applicants will have one week to make payment after reception of the confirmation link.

Admitted applicants may remit payment by credit card.

Please note that, except in cases which are duly justified, **no refund will be provided should a cancellation be made.**

### GENERAL INFORMATION

**Fee:** CAN\$ 600

**When:** June 11<sup>th</sup> – June 12<sup>th</sup> 2013

**Location:** Samuel Bronfman (SB Building)

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