

The Montreal Institute for Genocide and Human Rights Studies, Concordia University  
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## **The Promise of the Media in Halting Mass Atrocities:**

### **A Conference to Mark the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Responsibility to Protect**

20-21 October 2011

The Mount Stephen Club, 1440 Rue Drummond, Montreal

#### **Agenda**

##### Day 1 (evening)-Thursday/October 20, 2011

**5:30 to 6:30** Registration

**6:30** Conference welcome by MIGS Director, Dr. Frank Chalk, *Professor of History and Director of the Montreal Institute for Genocide and Human Rights Studies*

**6:45 to 6:50** Welcome by Dr. Fred Lowy, *President, Concordia University*

**6:50 to 7:00** Special address by a representative of the Quebec Minister of International Relations

**7:00 to 7:05** Introduction of the Keynote speaker by Kyle Matthews, *Senior Deputy Director, Will to Intervene Project of the Montreal Institute for Genocide and Human Rights Studies*

**7:05 to 7:45** Keynote speaker - The Right Honourable Paul Martin, *the twenty-first Prime Minister of Canada*

**7:45 to 9:30** Meet and Greet Networking cocktail and canapés

##### Day 2-Friday/October 21, 2011

**8:00 to 8:55** Registration

**8:55 to 9:10** Welcome and introduction by Dr. Frank Chalk, *Professor of History and Director of the Montreal Institute for Genocide and Human Rights Studies*

**9:10 to 9:25** Opening Address by André Pratte, *La Presse*

#### **9:25 to 10:50- Panel 1: The Responsibility to Report: Can the Media Make a Difference?**

Chair: Allan Thompson, *Associate Professor, School of Journalism and Communication, Carlton University*

Panellists: Rick MacInnes-Rae, *CBC*, Jean-Paul Marthoz, *Professor, Institute of Higher Studies of Social Communications (Brussels) and Columnist for Le Soir*, Dov Shinar, *Dean, Professor and Head of FAIR MEDIA: Centre for the Study of Conflict, War and Peace Coverage, Netanya Academic College*

**10:50 to 11:05** Refreshment Break

**11:05 to 12:25- Panel 2: From Streets to Tweets: Harnessing the Power of Social Media and Serial Media Drama for Peace**

Chair: Todd Van der Heyden, *CTV*

Panellists: Mona Eltahawy, *Journalist and commentator*, Sheldon Himelfarb, *Associate Vice President, United States Institute of Peace*

**12:25 to 1:25** Lunch

**1:25 to 2:50 – Panel 3: The Link between the News Media and Governmental Leadership**

Chair: Carol Off, *CBC*

Panellists: The Honourable Roméo Dallaire, Andrew Potter, *The Citizen*, Sarah Sewall, *Professor and Director of the Program on National Security and Human Rights, and founder and faculty director of the Mass Atrocity Response Operations (MARO) Project, Harvard Kennedy School of Government*

**2:50 to 4:15 – Panel 4: R2P in 2011: Libya, Syria and Sudan**

Chair: Kyle Matthews, *Senior Deputy Director, Will to Intervene Project, Montreal Institute for Genocide and Human Rights Studies*

Panellists: C.J. Chivers, *New York Times*, Jonathan Hutson, *Director of Communications, Enough Project*, Gordon Smith, *Director of the Centre for Global Studies, University of Victoria, and Distinguished Fellow at the Centre for International Governance Innovation (CIGI)*

**4:15 to 5:00** Closing Keynote (To be announced)

**5:00 to 5:15** Concluding Remarks by the Honourable Roméo Dallaire

The working language of the conference will be English.

To register for the conference and pay the conference fee or for more conference information, please visit: [www.migr2pconference.com](http://www.migr2pconference.com).

If you have a question, you may call Alexandra Buskie, Assistant to the Director of MIGS, at 514 848 2424, extension 5729.