

**Session 1: The Sudanese Diaspora in Canada: Possibilities for Reconciliation and Development**

In its inaugural session at Concordia University, UofMosaic will explore the role that the diasporas from North and South Sudan can play in encouraging rapprochement between the two states. The recent tension between Sudan and South Sudan over post-secession borders, particularly in regions rich in natural resources, is a matter of urgent concern both for Africa and for the wider international community. UofMosaic will explore how joint, bilateral development initiatives by the Sudanese diasporas in Canada can create possibilities for cooperation and dialogue between North and South Sudan.

**Date:** Tuesday, October 9, 2012

**Time:** 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

**Location:** Concordia Campus – Room TBD

**Speakers:**

*Professor Frank Chalk (Department of History, Concordia University)*

*Khalid Mustafa Medani (Assistant Professor of Political Science and Islamic Studies at McGill University)*

**Moderator:** *Professor Daniel Salée (Department of Political Science, Concordia University)*

**Agenda:**

*Introductions – 5 minutes*

*Presentation by each speaker – 10-12 minutes*

*Moderated question and answer session – 60 minutes*

**About the UofMosaic Initiative**

An initiative of The Mosaic Institute (<http://www.mosaicinstitute.ca/>), UofMosaic is a program to encourage Canadian university students to confront old conflicts, become purveyors of peace on campus, and help strengthen their fellow Canadians' commitment to fostering peace, pluralism, and good government around the world - starting right here at home. The UofMosaic has chapters at the University of Toronto, York University, Ryerson University, Concordia University, McGill University, and the University of British Columbia. Please visit <http://www.uofmosaic.ca/>. Contact Julie Kuras at [jk@mosaicinstitute.ca](mailto:jk@mosaicinstitute.ca) or Alya Koraitem at [alya.koraitem@gmail.com](mailto:alya.koraitem@gmail.com) for more information.