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Toledo International Centre for Peace <http://www.toledopax.org/>



The Toledo International Centre for Peace (CITpax) is a Spanish action tank that seeks to contribute to the prevention and resolution of violent or potentially violent international or intra-national conflicts, and to crisis management and the consolidation of peace, within a framework of respect and promotion of human rights and democratic values. CITpax facilitates mediation among conflicting parties by producing bridging proposals and using what is called Track II or Parallel Diplomacy tools. CITpax activities and projects are enclosed within three programmes: two geographical programmes focused on Africa and the Middle East, and Latin America, and the Conflict Prevention and Resolution Programme, which is a transversal programme developing its own activities and complementing and supporting the regional programmes.

Search for Common Ground <http://www.sfcg.org/>



Founded in 1982, Search for Common Ground works to transform the way the world deals with conflict – away from adversarial approaches and towards collaborative problem solving. We work with local partners to find culturally appropriate means to strengthen societies' capacity to deal with conflicts constructively: to understand the differences and act on the commonalities. Since 1991, we at Search for Common Ground have worked to foster non-violent cooperative solutions to longstanding conflicts in the Middle East. Our work includes convening regional dialogues and building cooperation through meetings of key security, governmental and media sector professionals from around the Middle East, providing participants with the opportunity to explore opportunities for creating peace across the region.

Fundación Tres Culturas del Mediterráneo <http://www.tresculturas.org/>



The Tres Culturas Foundation was established in 1988 as a joint venture between The Kingdom of Morocco and the Regional Government of Andalusia (Spain). It was created as a forum based on the principles of peace, dialogue and tolerance, to promote a meeting of Mediterranean cultures and communities. Subsequently the Foundation received also the support of Peres Centre for Peace and the Palestinian National Authority as well as other persons and Organizations committed to peace and dialogue. Since then, the Tres Culturas Foundation has worked towards creating the necessary dialogue to allow the different cultures and peoples of the Mediterranean to have a communal space, doing so via examining topics such as migration, the struggle against anti-Semitism, Islamophobia, inter-religious dialogue, the role of women and education.

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International Crisis Group www.crisisgroup.org



The International Crisis Group (Crisis Group) is an independent, non-profit, non-governmental organisation, working through field-based analysis and high-level advocacy to prevent and resolve deadly conflict. Crisis Group's approach is grounded in field research. Teams of political analysts are located within or close by countries at risk of outbreak, escalation or recurrence of violent conflict. Based on information and assessments from the field, it produces analytical reports containing practical recommendations targeted at key international decision-takers. Crisis Group works closely with governments and those who influence them, including the media, to highlight its crisis analyses and to generate support for its policy prescriptions.