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25th IPRA GENERAL CONFERENCE on the OCCASION of 50th ANNIVERSARY of IPRA
Uniting for Peace: Building Sustainable Peace Through Universal Values

in cooperation with Sakarya University
ISTANBUL, TURKEY
August 10-14 2014

During the Cold War, ideological confrontations and inter-state conflicts were seen as most dangerous threats against peace and security, and with the end of the Cold War, it was expected that all these threats would disappear. Unfortunately, however, the end of the Cold War witnessed the emergence of new conflict patterns and the world faced new global challenges, new security threats. Since the end of the Cold War, the world has been going through a series of interrelated intra-state conflicts rather than inter-state conflicts. New generation threats for peace and security and conflicts appeared immediately as intra-state conflicts with ethnic conflict in the Balkans, political turmoil in Caucasus, Central Asia, Middle East and recently with the emergence of protests and search for better democracy and peace as in Northern Africa countries.

According to the 1994 UNDP human development report, the seven dimensions of human security are economic security, food security, health security, environmental security, personal security, community security and political security. However, with the emergence of new security threats and new generation conflict patterns across the globe, human rights, human security, humanitarian intervention, democracy, prosperity and peace building initiative have become new values and policies both for states and international organizations. All these are post-Cold War concepts that are inter-related and overlapping, and when they are undermined, sustainable peace cannot be established.

As we observed from the beginning of history that conflict potential and conflicts are inevitable and will be available forever, only the conflict patterns can change. If so, we need to learn to which extent intra-state conflicts can be managed properly and to which extent conflict escalation across national frontiers, and also their escalation into violence, can be prevented. However, there are mistakes as well as success stories as regards to how states and International/regional organizations manage and / or prevent inter-state and intra-state issues / conflicts.

It is in the context of further contributing to the scholarly debates involving post Cold War political ideology, geopolitics, international and regional cooperation in efforts to resolve or prevent the growing intra-state and cross-border conflicts that IPRA has decided to be the focus of the 25th IPRA General Conference to be organized on the Occasion of the 50th Anniversary of IPRA and hosted by the Sakarya University in Istanbul, TURKEY, between August 10-14 2014. On the 50 th Anniversary of IPRA, the venue of 25th IPRA General Conference is significant and timely since Turkey is in the middle of three continents and also currently surrounded by conflict zones in Syria, Iraq, Lebanon, Israel-Palestine etc . Also, Istanbul is a link between Europe and Asia. We welcome paper, poster and panel proposals from all peace researchers related to the following IPRA Commissions. Interested participants have the option of suggesting new panels or sessions.

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