Publications

Books:


Articles, Book Chapters, Etc.


Staub, E. (1997). Halting and preventing collective violence: The role of bystanders. Background paper for the conference "Beyond Lamentation: Options for preventing genocidal violence." This manuscript was prepared to provide a common base for participants at an international conference on the role of nations and other bystanders in preventing genocide, which took place in Stockholm, June 13-16, 1997. Unpublished manuscript, Department of Psychology University of Massachusetts at Amherst.


2001:


Staub, E. (2001). We can create a different world: The origins and prevention of genocide and other forms of violence between groups. In Selected Publications from the German Congress of Psychology.


2002:


2003:


2004:


Staub, E. (2004). A holistic approach to children=s healing and reconciliation in Rwanda and other post conflict settings: Raising Ainclusively@ caring children who can contribute to peace. Unpublished manuscript, Department of Psychology, University of Massachusetts. Prepared for the National Curriculum Center, Rwanda and presented at the meetings of the International Society for Political Psychology.

2005:


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2012:


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Also blogs between 2011 and 2014 on the Psychology Today blog, about helping, heroism, altruism born of suffering, nonviolence, and other topics.

2014:


2015:


In Press:

Unpublished manuscript at www.ervinstaub.com, under downloads


Research Grants

National Institutes of Mental Health Grant: The development of prosocial behavior in children, 1972-1984 (Did not apply for renewal).
Grants from the Wallenberg Foundation of Sweden ($75,000) and from U.S. sources (foundations, corporations and individuals for a total of about $45,000) for a collaborative project between The Friends of Raoul Wallenberg, a non-profit organization in Washington D.C., and Ervin Staub (The Bystander Nations Project), consisting of a conference that took place in June 13-17 in Stockholm, (Beyond lamentation: Options for the prevention of genocidal violence) and follow up efforts including the establishment of a human rights organization to prevent genocide and other collective violence (Global Youth Connect).
Grant from the John Templeton Foundation's program on Scientific Studies on the Subject of Forgiveness, for two year project on "Healing, forgiveness and reconciliation in Rwanda," $232,092, 1998-2000.
Helped the Belchertown, MA.school system in their successful application for U.S. Department of Justice School Based Partnership grants: $101,000 and 13,500 for 1999; $117,260 for 2000, and conducted the work proposed under the grants.
Grant From the United States Institute of Peace (USIP) Two years, 2001/2003, $40,000 grant for project on “Preventing Renewed violence in Rwanda: A program for leaders.”
Grant from the Dart Foundation. $17,000 for project on “Preventing Renewed Violence in Rwanda: A program for leaders.”
Grant from the Chancellor’s Office, University of Massachusetts at Amherst, $10,000 for work with leaders in Rwanda.

Grant from United States Aid for International Development (USAID). $339,000 grant, from 2003 to 2006, to Ervin Staub and Laurie Anne Pearlman, under the Survivors of Torture program, for "Advancing healing and reconciliation in Rwanda."

Working with the NGO LaBenevolencija, in Amsterdam, on developing public education--radio projects in Rwanda and the Great Lakes region (the Congo, Burundi) to further healing, reconciliation, justice and the prevention of new violence. Funding from the Netherlands and Belgium (900 thousand Euros in 2003; 1.1 million Euros in 2005) and the European Union (100 thousand Euros, 2005) to LaBenevolencija. Continued funding for the projects from the Netherlands, Belgium, Sweden (Sida, the Swedish funding agency) through 2013, about 3 million Euros every three years.

Grant to LaBenevolencija in November, 2013, which I helped to develop, from UNICEF, of $495,000 for raising inclusively caring and morally courageous children in the Congo (DRC)

Invited lectures and colloquia

(Invited lectures and colloquia continued, 1970 and 1986)

New England Social Psychological Association Meetings; University of Florida; Denver University; University of Waterloo; University of Michigan; Laboratory of Socio-environmental Studies--National Institutes of Health; Case Western Reserve University; Duke University; Stanford University (Department of Psychology, Department of Psychiatry); McMaster University; University of Utah; Brigham Young University; Special Meeting of the Hawaiian Psychological Association; University Seminar on Social Control, SUNY at Albany; Moral Citizenship Education Conference, Philadelphia; University of Toronto; Brandeis University; Tel Aviv University; Technische Universitat - West Berlin; International Conference on Prosocial Behavior, Warsaw; New York University; Cornell University; Harvard University; Amnesty International Conference on Torture, Amherst; International Conference on Morality and Moral Development, Miami; Conference on the Development of Altruism and Aggression, NIMH, Washington, D.C.; University of Winnipeg; Polish-American Conference on Social and Personal Values, Warsaw; Fellows Lecture, Institute for the Advanced Study in the Humanities, University of Massachuestts, Amherst; Massachusetts Psychological Association Meetings; University of Toronto; Forum of the Cambridge Humanist Association at Harvard; Facing History in Ourselves Conference, Cambridge

Invited lectures and colloquia continued, 1987 - 1989

Conference at Harvard University on moral judgment and action; Conference on Image of the Enemy, London, England; London School of Economics and Political Science, England; Cambridge University, England (two talks); Autonomous University of Barcelona, Spain (two talks); University of Trier, Germany; Museum of Fine Arts and Art Museum, Springfield, MA; APA Pre-convention Workshop on Psychology and National Security Affairs, 1988; College of William and Mary; Eotvos Lorand University, Budapest, Hungary; "Genocide Watch" Conference, Institute of Genocide, John Jay College of City University, New York; International Conference on the "Theoretical and social implications of rescuing people in extreme situations: Another look at altruism", Warsaw, Poland

Invited lectures and colloquia continued, 1990 – 1991

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Invited lectures and colloquia continued, 1992

"Psychological and cultural origins of group violence," Interdepartmental colloquium/seminar, Suffolk University, Boston, March 2, 1992; University Colloquium on the origins of evil and the creation of caring, St. Olaf College, Northfield, MN, March 12, 1992; Lecture/workshop on creating caring schools for elementary school teachers, Northfield, MN, March 13, 1992; "Perpetrators, bystanders, and

Invited lectures and colloquia continued, 1993

"The roots of violence," at the Symposium on Violence: Society Under Siege, Dickinson College, February 14-17, 1993; "The origins of caring in our contemporary world," at Transmitting the Tradition of a Caring Society, Research Forum of Independent Sector, San Antonio, March 18-19, 1993; a Workshop on "The roots of evil and the creation of caring," at the Conference on a Revolution of Hope, Omega Institute, New York City, March 26-28, 1993; "The Holocaust, Bosnia Hercegovina and the creation of a caring world," Holocaust Memorial Event and Bosnia Teach-In, University of Massachusetts at Amherst, April 21, 1993; Panelist for "Learning violence, learning compassion," Moderator of Panel for "Childhood memories: Breaking the silence," (Guiding three survivors of violence who are intensely involved in community service to talk about their lives), Co-Leader of Workshop on "Risks and opportunities for raising issues of violence in the classroom: Teachers' experiences," at the Conference Exploring the Impact of Violence on the Lives of Adolescents (Ninth Annual Human Rights and Justice Conference of Facing History and Ourselves, Tufts University, May 6, 1993); Lecture/Workshops as part of "Facing history and ourselves," National Teacher Training Program, Pine Manor College, Brookline, MA, July 1, 16, 29, August 5, 1993; Lecture on: "Different hatred, same lesson: From the Holocaust to Bosnia," Workshop Leader for "Handling hate in the classroom;" Workshop Leader for "Helping students deal with the impact of learning about the Holocaust," at the Anne Frank Teacher and Docent Training Conference, Vanderbilt University, August 8-9, 1993; Two talks. 1, The power of one. Raoul Wallenberg Park. 2, What can we do? The Ottawa Congress Center. The Ottawa-Carlton Anti-Racism network. October 3, 1993; Roots of evil: Genocide and altruism. Keynote address at the conference, Anne Frank revisited: Children caught in the Crossfire, Memphis State University, October 15, 1993; Also part of the same conference, presentation as part of the panel: A means of understanding differences; Passivity and heroism: The cultural and personal roots of rescue. Holocaust Education Week, Toronto, November 15, 1993; The roots of evil and the origins of caring. Keynote address as part of the Edlavitch-Tyler Human Relations Forum, Washington Hebrew
Invited lectures and colloquia continued, 1994

Passive bystanders and courageous actors. Southern Institute for Education and Research, Tulane University, January 20, 1994; Passive bystanders and courageous actors: Schindler, Rodney King, Bosnia and contemporary USA. Southwestern Regional Board meeting of the Anti-Defamation League. January 22-23, 1994; Another talk at the same meeting. What can we do to raise children who are caring, self-confident and possess moral courage?; Also at the same meeting, discussant for a talk by Anthony Griffith, the former Legal Council for NAACP who was fired for representing the Ku Klux Klan; At the Meeting of the American Heart Association's National Board, staff and volunteers, Dallas, February 16, 1994; Bystanders and helpers: Passivity by individuals and nations, complicity and heroic rescue. Boston University, March 20, 1994; Helping children confront social ills. At the seventh annual symposium on Critical Issues in Jewish Education, Paramus, N.J. May 4, 1994; Human suffering and the evolution of caring: Passive bystanders and psychologists as professionals. Commencement address. Ferkauf Graduate School of Psychology, Yeshiva University's Albert Einstein College of Medicine, May 26, 1994; Several talks as part of a weeklong teacher-training institute on human destructiveness and the development of caring, to teachers, education ministry officers and others involved in education all around Europe, in Bluche, Switzerland, July 2-9, 1994. Opening talk of the institute: The personal and societal origins of prejudice. Second talk: The origins of group violence and the development of caring in schools. Third talk: Applications to current problems in Eastern Europe. Fourth participation: comments on Milgram's obedience research. Lecture/workshops as part of "Facing history and ourselves" National Teacher Training program, Pine Manor College, Brookline, MA, July and August; The cultural-societal origins of genocide and youth violence. At the meetings of the New England Social Psychological Association, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, Spring, 1994; The Holocaust Center of Greater Pittsburgh. Title: The legacy of Schindler's list: How to develop moral courage in the classroom. November 28, 1994; Harvard Science Center, Organized by the Humanist Association of Massachusetts. December 4, 1994. Title: Caring and non-violence. How to promote these attributes in children and in society.

Invited lectures and colloquia continued, 1995


Peace Research Institute of Oslo (PRIO). Title: The roots of evil and their aftermath, April 27, 1995; University of Oslo. Two talks, on April 26 (The origins of genocide) and on April 27, (The evolution of caring and nonviolence in children and youth).

Invited Address: InterAmerican Congress of Psychology. July 9-14, 1995, Puerto Rico. Title: Perpetrators and bystanders: the origins of group violence and the creation of caring; Also at the InterAmerican Congress. Invited workshop on the development of caring and nonviolent children; International Society for Political Psychology Meetings, Washington D.C., July 5-9, 1995, Invited talk at a Special session at the Holocaust Museum. Title: Bystanders to the Holocaust and other genocides. At a conference at the University of Wisconsin, July 23-25, in preparation for a conference with the Dalai Lama in Dharamsala, India.
Amherst College, Part of a series on "Rescuers." April 23, 1995. Title: The roots of evil, the roots of caring: Perpetrators, bystanders, heroic rescuers.

Facing History and Ourselves teacher training institutes, leading workshops with 40-50 teachers each, on the origins of genocidal violence and the evolution of caring and helping in the classroom, one in June and one in July, 1995, at Pine Manor College, Brookline, Mass and one in August, at Bard College, New York. 1995


All day presentation at a conference with the Dalai Lama in Dharamsala, India, October 2-6, 1995, on Altruism, ethics and compassion. Title: Responsibility and inclusive caring in altruistic helping and group violence.

The Eiler Sundt lecture at the University of Oslo, October 17, 1995. Yearly lecture with speaker invited each year by a different social science department. Title: The roots of evil: Perpetrators and bystanders in the Holocaust, Bosnia and other genocides and mass killings.


Invited lectures and colloquia continued, 1996.

Workshops for Boston Police Cadets on reducing police violence and improving police-community relations, Boston, January 6, May 17, May 22.

Interactive T.V. appearance (presentation and discussion) with teachers all over Massachusetts, on how to teach about genocide and heroic helpers using the film Schindler's List, Boston, January 23.

Presentation at the 5-College Peace and World Securities Program Winter Conference on Intergroup Conflict, Amherst College, January 17.

Lecture at the Opening Session of the Seminar Series of the Center for the Family, at the University of Massachusetts, February 29

Lecture at Dickinson College, part of a series on "Nuremberg in Contemporary Perspective," March 27, 1996. Title: The origins and prevention of genocide.

Presentation as part of a program on the violence in Bosnia, New York University, April 17, 1996.

The Annual Sheila Sommers Memorial Lecture, University of Massachusetts, Boston: Basic human needs, individual and group violence, and the evolution of caring, April 22, 1996.


Invited Address at the Meetings of the American Psychological Association, Toronto, July 10, 1996. Title: "The origins of violence in individuals and groups and the evolution of caring."

Speaker on plenary symposium at the meetings of the International Society for Political Psychology, on "Vicious Discourse: How violent speech incites violent action." Vancouver, July 1996

Lecture at the Tenth International Conference of the National Association of Jewish Child Holocaust Survivors. Title: The pivotal role of bystanders. Teaneck, New Jersey, October 11-14, 1996

Public lecture at the University of Belgrade. Title: "Group violence: origins, prevention, healing and reconciliation." October 24, 1996.
Lecture at the Springfield Art Museum. Title: The roles of perpetrators, bystanders, victims, survivors and rescuers in the Holocaust. October 9, 1996.
Lecture at the Symposium: The rising tide of extremism in America: The psychology of hate in the 1990s. George Washington University, November 18, 1996.

Lecture at the conference "Bosnia: Road to recovery," on Reconciliation and Healing. Amherst College, March 1-2, 1997.
Keynote address at the Seminar "Human rights and the media." Title: The influence of the media in creating nonaggressive, nonviolent societies. Bolivariana University, Medellin, Colombia, March 14, 1997.
Facing History and Ourselves Teacher Training Institute, lecture and workshops with 40-50 teachers on leaders and followers. Hofstra University, August 19, 1997.
Keynote address #1, the Welebir-McCune lecture, at the conference "Communities in crisis: Safeguarding our kids at school and on the street." Title: The origins of violence by youth, in communities. Loma Linda University Medical Center, Children's Hospital and Behavioral Medicine Center, Loma Linda, California, October 14, 1997.
Keynote address #2, SCI Solutions Speech, Conference at Loma Linda Medical Center (see above). Title: Raising caring and nonviolent youth, creating caring communities. Also part of panel discussion at the same conference.
Speaker at Teleconference: Communities in crisis: Safeguarding our kids at school and on the street. Filmed at Loma Linda Medical Center and Children's Hospital, October 15, 1997; sent to about 150 locations around the U.S. on October 21, 1997.
Lecture at Colgate University, November 3, 1997. Title: The prevention of genocide and the development of caring.
Keynote address at the conference "Psychology of the Third Reich: Factors influencing to join up? to rescue? to remain "neutral." Title: Genocide and mass killing: Cultural/Societal and Psychological origins. Drew University, November 13, 1997.
Lecture at "Righteous Among the Nations" Rescuer Award Ceremony, part of the conference at Drew University, see above.
Facing History and Ourselves Teacher Training Institute.
Lecture and Workshop on the origins of genocide and the creation of caring in schools, Bard College, New York City, August 5, 1998.

**Invited lectures and colloquia continued, 1999-2000.**


Conducted all day seminars: Youth violence and the development of caring children. Melbourne, July 10, 1999; Sydney, July 13, 1999; Brisbane, July 17. Organized by the Delphi Center, Carlton, Australia.


Distinguished Faculty Lecture. University of Massachusetts at Amherst, October 1999.

Invited address: Brandeis University, Event organized by Facing History and Ourselves. Title: The origins of Genocide and the Creation of a Caring Society. November 9, 1999.


1. The origins of genocide and other violence.
2. Prevention and reconciliation.

Invited talks at University of Tulsa Mini Conference on Building Health Global Communities: Culture, Violence & Healing, March 27, 2000.

1. Preventing genocide and other group violence: Healing and Reconciliation.
2. Bystanders: Group violence and the evolution of caring persons and societies.


Invited address at symposium: The Armenian Genocide and Historical Memory: Challenge of the Twenty-First Century, UCLA. Title: Healing and Reconciliation. April 8, 2000.

Presentation at Conference/Workshop on peace education. University of Haifa, Israel, May 2000. Also, plenary talk at concluding event.


Invited address: Holocaust Memorial Day event sponsored by the Council for Human Understanding, Holyoke, MA. Title of Presentation: Improving our lives by healing ourselves, April 30, 2000.

Presidential Address to The Society for the Study of Peace, Conflict and Violence: Peace Psychology Division of APA. Title: Cultures of violence, cultures of peace and the creation of caring.

Invited talk: Mershon Center, Ohio State University, October 16, 2000. Title: Healing and reconciliation after genocide.

Invited lectures and colloquia continued, 2001

The Chancellor's Distinguished Fellow/Lecturer, University of California at Irvine. Two public lectures, a number of other lectures in classes and to small groups, meetings with faculty and students February 19-21, 2001.

Fuller Theological Seminary, a one day workshop (Violence, genocide, trauma and their impact on the human potential) a noon luncheon speech (Healing, forgiveness and reconciliation in the aftermath of violence) to a large group representing the Pasadena, California community (including the mayor, police chief, school principals, and so on), other lectures, meeting with students and faculty, February 22-24, 2001.


Invited talk to the school assembly at Northfield/Mount Hermon School, on violence, bullying, bystanders and the creation of caring schools. Northfield, MA. April, 2001.


Invited talk, Healing, forgiveness and reconciliation after genocide or mass killing: An intervention in Rwanda. Part of the Presidential symposium on “Successes and surprises in the applications of psychological science.” American Psychological Society Convention, Toronto, June 14-17. 2001

Presidential address: Cultures of violence and the development of cultures of peace. International Society for Political Psychology Meetings, Cuernavaca, Mexico, July 15, 2001.

Invited lectures about the effects, roots and prevention of terrorism. September/October 2001. Greenfield Community College, Greenfield MA; Asnuntuck Community College, Enfield, Conn. Other talks to local communities around Amherst, MA.

All day seminar/workshop on the aftereffects of the September 11 attacks, with the staff of the United States Institute for Peace, co-led with Dr. Laurie Pearlman, Washington DC., December 19, 2001.
Invited lectures and colloquia continued, 2002


Invited lectures and colloquia continued, 2003

Healing and reconciliation and the prevention of new violence, with special reference to Rwanda.


Invited lecture at Facing History and Ourselves to the staff and guests, on the origins of genocide, healing and reconciliation, May 9, 2003, Brookline, MA.


Presentation to the international diplomatic community in Rwanda. Advancing healing and reconciliation: a general approach and applications to radio programs. June 30, 2003, the Dutch Embassy, Kigali, Rwanda.


American Psychological Association Meetings, Toronto, August 2003. Award lecture as recipient of the 2002 Life-time Contributions to Peace Psychology Award (Could not deliver it due to an injury).


Lecture to Facing History and Ourselves teacher training Institute, Providence, November, 2003.
Presentation: Understanding the Roots of Violence and Healing as Avenues to Reconciliation. At the conference on the “Social psychology of reconciliation: moving from violent confrontation to peaceful coexistence.” University of Connecticut, October 27, 2003

Invited lectures and colloquia continued, 2004

Talk on “Bystanders” to Smith Academy Middle School and High School students. Hatfield, MA Feb. 25, 2004.


Canadian Broadcasting Company television program on evil, with special emphasis on the genocide in Rwanda. Toronto, Canada. Broadcast on March 30, 2004

Colloquium at Clark University, Center for the Holocaust and Genocide, Worcester, MA March 31, 2004.

Opening keynote speech on the origins and genocide, prevention and reconciliation, at the 10th anniversary memorial conference in Rwanda, on the origins and prevention of genocide, with the President and leadership of Rwanda and the diplomatic community among 600 invited guests. April 4, 2004. Kigali.


Seminar at the University of Florence as part of a “Masters in peace psychology” series. Florence, Italy. April 23, 2004.

Lecture to community leaders (Regional Council Members), Florence, Italy. April 23, 2004.

Lecture/all day seminar with high ranking military officers, on the origins and prevention of violence between groups. Rome, Italy. April 26, 2004.


Opening lecture to the week long international training institute of Facing History and Ourselves, on the origins of violence and development of caring in school settings, Brookline, MA, July 11, 2004.


Invited lectures and colloquia continued, 2005
Boyd-Lubker Visiting Scholar Lecture: Genocide and mass killing: Origins, Prevention, healing and reconciliation. February 24, Western Kentucky University.

Two lectures at a conference on Growing Through Loss, New Mexico State University on February 3-4: An evening address open to the public (Helping wounded children heal), the other is the opening keynote address of the Conference (On genocide, its prevention and reconciliation).

Three lectures in Amsterdam on: Preventing Violence and developing peaceful, harmonious relations between groups in Amsterdam (and the Netherlands). Lecture 1, part of the conference organized by the city of Amsterdam. Lecture 2, Public lecture organized by La Benevolencija Foundation. Lecture 3, at City Hall, for administrators of the city of Amsterdam. March 11-16.

Lecture at the conference on Restitution and Reconciliation in International Perspective, Brown University. Title: Dealing with the past and its continuing effects, to create a better future: The responsibility of society and its individual members. March 18-20.


Honorary President and Closing lecturer at the UNESCO international conference on Violence and its contexts. May 14-16, Santiago de Compostela, Spain


Lecture/workshop at Facing History and Ourselves, International Training Institute, on Influences leading to bystander passivity and action in group violence and other realms. Brookline, MA, August 15.

Two talks, one on the origins of genocide, mass killing and torture, and the other on reconciliation and forgiveness, at the 20th anniversary conference of the Red Cross Center for Tortured Refugees, 28-29 September 2005, Stockholm, Sweden.


Invited lectures and colloquia continued, 2006

Two invited talks at the University of Kentucky, School of Social Work, one on genocide and reconciliation, and one on international research in conflict settings, February, 2006

Presentation on Tools for genocide prevention, at the Conference on Warm Crimes, Bureau of Intelligence and Research. US Department of State and Central Intelligence Agency, Meridian International Center, Washington DC, March 14, 2006
Award address, for the 2006 Outstanding Achievement Award of the Armenian American Society for Studies on Stress & Genocide. The roots of evil, denial and healing, Fordham University, April 7,


Invited talk at the U.N., on a panel on Forgiveness organized by the American Psychological Association. Title: Promoting reconciliation and forgiveness after mass violence: Rwanda and other settings. New York City, September, 2006.

Award address, for the Max Hayward Award of the American Orthopsychiatric Association for distinguished scholarship in the mental health disciplines that contributes to the elimination of genocide and the remembrance of the Holocaust, at the Seminar of the American Orthopsychiatric Association, Title: Altruism born of suffering. New York City. October, 2006


Three presentations at a workshop in New Orleans organized by the Southern Institute for Research and Education on healing and ethnic reconciliation in the aftermath of Katrina—on basic human needs; on the effects of ethnic conflict and trauma on adults and children; and on helping children/youth heal. New Orleans, Tulane University, November 16, 1,006.

Invited lectures and colloquia continued, 2007

Training of writers, producers, and journalists working on reconciliation radio programs in Rwanda, the Congo and Burundi, the radio programs based on the Staub-Pearlman approach, produced by LaBenevolencija Humanitarian Tools Foundation, Kigali, Rwanda, January 6-13, 2007.


All day conference presenter, Vermont Trauma Institute. Topics: The origins of violence between groups; Healing and reconciliation after ethnic conflict and group violence: from Rwanda to New Orleans; Altruism born of suffering; Helping children/youth heal after victimization. Burlington, Vermont, June 1, 2007


Keynote address at the Social Psychology Section of the British Psychological Society Meetings, Canterbury, England, September 5-7, 2007


Presentation on group healing and reconciliation at the Meetings of the International Society for Traumatic Stress Studies Pre-meeting Institute, Baltimore, November, 2007.

Invited lectures and colloquia, 2008

Department of Psychology, California State University Long Beach, February 13, 2008

Invited plenary lecture at The President’s Forum on International Human Rights: Modern Genocides and Global Responsibilities. California State University Long Beach, February 13, 2008


Invited talk at the Conference on “Uncertainty and Extremism.” Claremont University, California, April 6, 2008.

Invited talk at the Institute for Foreign Policy, on the origins and prevention of mass violence, Stockholm, Sweden, April 15, 2008

Invited talk at the Department of Peace and Conflict Studies, on Reconciliation between groups, Uppsala University, Uppsala, Sweden, April 17, 2008.

Conducted all day workshop for Union Counseling Services, on Raising caring and non-aggressive children, altruism born of suffering, and promoting active bystandership by children and adults, May 16, Bennington, Vermont.

Invited plenary address at the conference on Understanding Conflict, Aarhus University, Aarhus, Denmark, August 18-23, 2008.

Two invited talks at the Symposium On Understanding Genocide and participation on two summary panels, University of Copenhagen, Copenhagen, August 25 and 26, 2008.

Invited talk to the Board of Directors and Staff of the Headington Institute, an organization providing “care for caregivers worldwide” and addressing the vicarious trauma of humanitarian aid workers, on Dealing with emotional issues in working on genocide, other mass violence, and reconciliation in Rwanda and other field settings. Dana Point, California, September 17.

Invited talk at the Rand Corporation, Santa Monica, California, on “Overcoming evil: origins, prevention and reconciliation in mass violence.” September 18, 2008.
Invited named talk, the “Hastorf lecture,” at Mt Holyoke College, South Hadley, MA. November 2008, on “Overcoming evil,” about the origins and prevention of genocide, violent conflict and terrorism, and reconciliation after group violence.

Invited lectures and colloquia, 2009


Part of a Strategic Meeting on Sustainable Peace, Columbia University, March 30, 2009

Keynote address, “Reconciliation between groups, the development of inclusive caring, and altruism born of suffering,” at the International conference on Coping and resilience, October 3-6, 2009, Dubrovnik/Cavtat, Croatia

Keynote address, “Reconciliation between groups and altruism born of suffering,” at the International conference on Beyond Reconciliation, University of Cape Town, South Africa, December 2-6, 2009. Also at the same conference part of Roundtable Dialogue with Archbishop Desmond Tutu, and of Roundtable Discussion on Capacity building for reconciliation and coexistence.

Invited lectures and colloquia continued, 2010

Lecture on “Psychology and morality in genocide and violent conflict: Perpetrators, passive bystanders, rescuers.” At the conference on The Social Psychology of Morality: Exploring the causes of good and evil. The New School of Psychology, Herzliya, Israel, April 26-29, 2010

Tel-Aviv University, Tel-Aviv, Israel, May 3, 2010. On the Israeli-Palestinian conflict and its resolution.


Lecture on “A world without genocide: Prevention and the creation of peaceful societies,” at the conference Psychology of genocide and its aftermath,” Clark University, Worcester, Massachusetts, October 14-16, 2010

Presentation on the “Psychological aspects of reconciliation,” and Resource person, at the course on Reconciliation as Process and Practice, organized by the Folke Bernadette Academy of Sweden, at Sando, Sweden, October 21-27 2010.

Invited lectures and colloquia continued, 2011.
Lecture and conversation on “How to promote active bystanders in Cambodia to halt the continuum of destruction,” at CIVICUS, Center for Cambodian Civic Education, March 10, 2011, Phnom Penh, Cambodia.

Invited Presentation about the practical implications of the Supreme Court decision *Holder v. Humanitarian Law Project* for the human rights and alternative dispute resolution communities, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, March 25, 2011.

Lecture and conversation on Raising inclusively caring children and training children to be active bystanders to bullying and other harmdoing” at the 5th Annual A Night Around the Table, organized by the Lander-Grinspoon Academy, Longmadow, MA, April 3, 2011.

Two lectures at Juniata College, as part of a Genocide Awareness Week, an evening public lecture on “Resisting evil, creating goodness: the prevention of mass violence, reconciliation, and the development of inclusive caring and active bystandership,” April 7, 2011, and an afternoon lecture and discussion with students and faculty on “The role of leaders and citizens at times of crises and in the early prevention of violence between groups: dialogue, negotiation, third party engagement, and active bystandership,” April 8, 2011

Award address, as recipient of the Morton Deutsch Award for Distinguished Scholarly and Practical Contributions to Social Justice, “Resisting evil, creating goodness: The prevention of mass violence, reconciliation, and the development of inclusive caring and active bystandership.” Columbia University, April 14, 2011

Invited talk, to the staff of Facing History and Ourselves, on Overcoming Evil: The origins and prevention of genocide and other group violence. Brookline, Massachusetts, April 29, 2011.

Two invited talks at the conference, of The institute on religion in an age of science (IRAS), on Why do people do bad things, in Chautauqua, NY, June 1011. One talk on the origins of individual and group violence, the other on the origins of caring and helping.

Opening talk at the conference on Rescue and Moral Courage, with the title, Heroic rescue, resistance, and the prevention of violence: Active bystandership in extreme times. Sarajevo, July 15, 2011

Invited lecture on Conflict and violent conflict between groups, at EPIIC, Tufts University, September 22, 2011.


**Invited lectures and colloquia continued, 2012**

On reconciliation and the building of peaceful societies. At the conference on Conflict in the 21st Century, Part of the EPIIC Colloquium, Tufts University, February 26, 2012.


Preventing genocide, talk at Boston University, April 10
Raising inclusively caring and morally courageous children, Fairweather School, Boston, April 10,

Preventing genocide, talk at Tufts University, April 11.

Overcoming Evil: Preventing genocide and creating peaceful societies. Presentation at the U.N.,
April 12, 2012.

Life in the Trenches: Theory, experience and Transformation. Lecture at the conference on Secondary
Hugo Valentine Center at Uppsala University, Uppsala, Sweden, May 22, 2012.

Overcoming Evil: Preventing genocide and creating peaceful societies. SALT Lecture, Uppsala
University, Uppsala, Sweden, May 24, 2012.

Participated in the Outlier Initiative—Beyond Development Challenge workshop/brainstorming event of
The Institute for the Future and the Outlier Initiative of Aalto University, School of Economics,
Helsinki, in Palo Alto, CA, July 30-31

Lectures on the origins of violence, and on principles and practices of reconciliation (including raising
inclusively caring and morally courageous children), and acting as a resource person at the
course/training on Reconciliation, organized by the Folke Bernadotte Academy, with 29 participants
from 20 countries. Sando, Sweden, October 17-24, 2012

Keynote lecture, conference/workshop on Empathy, University of Connecticut, November 2, 2012

Public lecture on group violence and its prevention, and visiting classrooms/discussions with students at
Holy Cross College, Worcester, MA, November 6, 2012

Public lectures on group violence and its prevention, and visiting classrooms/discussions with students

Invited lectures and colloquia continued, 2013

The Hugo Valentin Memorial Lecture at Uppsala University, On the prevention of genocide,
reconciliation, and the roots of inclusive caring. Uppsala, Sweden, March 27, 2013

The opening keynote address at the Roots of Empathy Research Symposium. On “The roots of
goodness: Inclusive caring, moral courage, and resistance to destructive influence” Toronto, Canada,
May 8, 2013.

Two lectures, one on the origins of genocide and other mass violence, and one on prevention, and
serving as a resource person, at the workshop organized by the Holocaust Memorial Museum and West
Point for the teaching staff of the air force, army and navy military academies, at the Holocaust

Lasswell Award address—opening keynote address--at the meetings of the International Society for
Political Psychology.“Some thoughts on the persistence and resolution of the Israeli-Palestinian
conflict.” Herzlia, Israel, July 8, 2013 (Also participation in three symposia at the meetings).
Invited lecture at Drew University, “The roots of goodness: inclusive caring, moral courage and active bystandership.” October 1, 2013

Invited lectures and colloquia continued, 2014

Presentation as part of a conference on *Justice and Imagination: Building Peace in Post-Conflict Societies* at Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley, MA, February 28-March 1, on Reconciliation after mass violence.

Talk and conversation with 7th and 8th grade students, about the Holocaust, Fairweather school, Cambridge, MA, March 5, 2014.

Lecture and discussion at Harvard University, “Some thoughts on the persistence and resolution of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict,” March 6, 2014


Lecture/discussion on March 28, Hampshire College, Amherst, MA. Evil and Goodness: How the Holocaust informed my work.

Plenary presentation and discussion leader at the Spirit of Humanity conference on introducing love and compassion into governance, Reykjavik, Iceland, April 10-12, 2014

Invited talk, at one day conference/symposium organized by the Hungarian Academy of Science, with the title “The Holocaust in Hungary, roots, and the effects of non-acknowledgment,” Budapest, Hungary, May 13, 2014


Invited lectures and colloquia already scheduled, 2015

Keynote address at a regional graduate student conference on violence, at Northeastern University, Boston, March 27, 2015

Presentation on and leading a three day workshop applying the understanding of the origins and prevention of violence in varied settings, and knowledge about how positive behavior can develop, to gang violence in Chicago and Kalamazoo, Kalamazoo, Michigan, June 16-19, 2015.

Keynote address at a conference on Revenge, the University of Leicester, Leicester, England, September 1-3
Panels-Symposia (in chronological order, the most recent ones at the end.)


Symposium Presentation: The psychology of perpetrators and bystanders of cruelty. At the meetings of the International Association of Political Psychology, Washington, D.C., 1982.


Chair: Paper session on Political Socialization. International Society for Political Psychology Meetings (ISPP), Amsterdam, June, 1986.

Symposium Presentation: The ideology of antagonism, societal self-concept and other cultural preconditions of war. At the Symposium on the Social causes and effects of the nuclear arms race, Budapest, June, 1986.


Co-leader of workshop, "What, where, how do we learn in the University." At the conference on "The public university as a source of democratic values." University of Massachusetts at Amherst, December 4 and 5, 1987.
Symposium presentation, "The psychology of perpetrators and bystanders: The Holocaust." Part of the symposium, "Varied forms of victimization during World War II." American Psychological Association Meetings, August 12, 1988, Atlanta, GA.
Chair of Symposium: "The psychological and societal roots of torture." Presenter: "The psychology and culture of torture and torturers." At the meetings of the International Society for Political Psychology (ISPP), Tel-Aviv, Israel, June 19-23, 1989.
Presentation as part of the symposium: Denial of the Armenian Genocide: Comprehending the Crime. Columbia University, April 7, 1990. Title: The psychological effects of denial.
Presentation on panel organized by the Psychology Department for the University Community: "Turning against and hurting others: The role of perpetrators, passive bystanders and allies". University of Massachusetts, Amherst, October, 1990.
Presentation on Transforming bystanders to diminish evil, at the symposium: "Confronting evil: The persistence of genocide". Tufts University, February 19, 1991.
Presentation as part of the Clinical Psychology Colloquium Series: "Human needs, positive mental health, and optimal human functioning." Department of Psychology, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, April 2, 1991.
Symposium presentation on psychology and genocide, on the symposium "Disciplinary and interdisciplinary approaches to teaching of genocide," at the Conference on Teaching about Genocide, April 19, 1991, Brookline, MA.
Chair at the symposium, "Presuppositions and issues about teaching genocide in the college curriculum," at the Conference on Teaching about Genocide, April 19, 1991, Brookline, MA.
Symposium presentation, "Blind and constructive patriotism: Moving from embeddedness in the group to critical loyalty." Part of the symposium: Patriotism as a group phenomenon, ISPP meetings, Helsinki, July 1-5, 1991.
Symposium presentation, "Nations as bystanders and aggressors: The psychological and cultural origins of the U.S. turning to war." Part of the symposium: Roots of the war in the Gulf: Historical, political, psychological, ISPP meetings, Helsinki, July 1-5, 1991.

Convener of invited symposium: Aggression and Cooperation, World Congress of Psychology, Brussels, July, 1992. Also presentation as part of the symposium, "Understanding and predicting group violence" (in absentia).


Symposium presentation, "From passive bystanders to committed actors." Part of symposium on Understanding and creating activism at the International Society for Political Psychology meetings, San Francisco, July, 1992. Also chair of the symposium.


Chair and Presenter, "Blind and constructive patriotism, nationalism, and their roots in individual identity and group process." At the Roundtable Discussion on "Nationalism (power and purity), different types of patriotism and their relationship to personal identity," at the Meetings of the International Society for Political Psychology, Cambridge, July 6-10, 1993.

Chair and Presenter, "Individual and group psychological and social processes of antagonism and positive connection." At the Symposium on "Psychological knowledge as an avenue for increasing self-awareness and the effectiveness of dialogue groups in resolving antagonism," at the Meetings of the International Society for Political Psychology, Cambridge, July 6-10, 1993.


Symposium Presentation, Part of Symposium on "Building bridges among psychology groups to build world peace" at the American Psychological Association Meetings, Toronto, August 20-24, 1993.


Chair of panel: The role and experience of bystanders in inhibiting group violence and helping victims. Meetings of the International Society on Political Psychology. Santiago de Compostela, Spain, July 9-14, 1994. Also presenter on the same panel: The role of bystanders before, during and after violence: an overview.
The role of bystanders in inhibiting group violence. Part of the panel: Psychological aspects of national conflicts and wars in Eastern Europe. 23rd International Congress of Applied Psychology. July 17-22, Madrid, Spain. Also discussant on the same panel.


Annual Conference of the National Council for International Health (NCIH). Washington D.C., June 25-28. Invited to participate in two Forums:
1. Patterns and Causes of Intergroup Violence.
2. Program initiatives in youth violence prevention.

Invited to organize a plenary symposium for the International Society of Political Psychology meetings in Washington D.C., July 5-9, 1995, on Genocide, chaired symposium, and acted as discussant.

Also at the International Society for Political Psychology meetings. Chaired symposium on Forms of Patriotism, as well as presented with the title Blind and constructive patriotism.


2. Presenter on the Symposium: Trauma and the Nature of Evil. Title: The bystander and the roots of evil.


2. Chair and discussant on the penal: Sociopolitical changes in Eastern Europe and their effects on stereotyping and other social thought.
3. Cochair and presenter on the panel: The psychology of hate.
4. Cochair and participants in the roundtable: The participation of ordinary people in the Holocaust and other genocides.

American Psychological Association Meetings, Chicago, August 16-20, 1997.
1. Chair and participant in conversation hour: Spirituality, the hidden dimensions of peacework.
2. Presenter on Symposium: The psychology of Peacekeeping.
4. Discussant on Symposium: Spirituality and Peace: Another level of need in international relations.

1. Symposium presentation: Political Psychology and the multidisciplinary level analysis of the origins and prevention of genocide. Part of the Symposium: Using political psychology to learn the lessons of history: Multidisciplinary approaches to the prevention of genocide.
2. Chair and presenter on the Symposium: Healing, forgiveness and reconciliation by individuals and groups. Title of presentation: Healing and reconciliation following genocide and other collective violence.
4. Discussant on the symposium: Peace, conflict and international relations.

1. Symposium presentation: Healing from collective violence. Part of the symposium: Responding to trauma in the community.

1. Presenter/participant in conversation hour on Post-traumatic stress disorder: Healing at individual, group and national levels.
2. Discussant on the symposium: Spiritual values and peacework: A multicultural and multinational perspective.


1. Discussant on Plenary Symposium "From Victims to Visionaries: Young people as survivors of group violence and active bystanders in prevention.
2. Presenter on symposium "Ethnopolitical violence and the need for enemies."
3. Presenter on symposium "Healing cultural trauma."
4. Introductory presentation in discussion group "Addressing cycles of violence: Preventing atrocities, torture and genocide."

American Psychological Association Meetings. August 18-23, 1999, Boston, MA.
1. Presenter on Symposium: Global Perspectives on Forgiveness and Reconciliation. Title of Presentation: Healing, forgiveness and reconciliation after collective violence: Focus on Rwanda.
3. Chair and discussant on Symposium: Creating Peace: President's Symposium.

5. Chair, Division 48 Business meeting.


American Psychological Association Meetings, Washington, DC, August 4-8, 2000.

1. Symposium commemorating the 10th anniversary of the Peace Psychology. Division: The peace division a ten years: Past, present and future. Title of Presentation: Moving from violence and indifference to caring and peace.

2. Discussant on Symposium: Trauma, healing and reconciliation in the building of peace.


2. Symposium presentation: Title of Symposium: Political Psychology: From violence and hatred to democracy. Title of presentation: The roots of evil and the prevention of cycles of violence.

3. Chair of and presenter at the Dag Hammarskjold Memorial Seminar on Diplomacy and Psychology. Title of seminar: Political Leadership. Title of presentation: Early detection and the prevention of violence: Social conditions, culture, group relations and the role of leaders.

Chaired and/or participated in four symposia at the International Society for Political Psychology Meetings, Cuernavaca, Mexico, July 15, 2001.

Presentation on a panel on “Remembering the Ordinary,” at the Annual Scholars Conference on the Holocaust and the Churches, Saint Joseph’s University, Philadelphia, March 3-6, 2001.


Presentations on several panels at the International Society for Political Psychology Meetings,  June 15-19, 2002, Berlin.


Presentations at the International Association of Genocide Scholars 6th Biennial Conference, Boca Raton, Florida, June 4-7, 2005:

1. Presenter: The exclusivity of suffering: Psychology and Spiritual Perspectives on Genocide.
2. Presenter on roundtable: The state of genocide studies and research: Problems and directions.

Presentations on several panels at International Society of for Political Psychology meeting in Toronto, July, 2005:
1. Presenter: Moral courage: Its origins and role in the prevention of violence and the creation of a good society.
2. Presenter: Moral conduct: Moral values, connection to others and the relationship between the self and the group.
3. Chair and Presenter at a roundtable: Creating peace psychology as an academic field: from the laboratory to the real world.
4. Chair and Discussant: The dynamics of ethnic violence.

Symposium presentation on improving Dutch—Muslim relations. European-Muslim relations and preventing violence; and discussant on symposium on Israeli Palestinian relations, Meetings of the International Society for Political Psychology, Barcelona, Spain, July 12-15, 2006


Symposium Presentations. Presentation at two symposia and a roundtable at the International Society for Political Psychology Meetings, in Istanbul, Turkey, July, 2011

Symposium Presentations. 1. On the resolution of the Israel-Palestinian conflict and reconciliation between the parties; and 2. On healing and reconciliation in Rwanda, Burundi and the Congo, at the meetings of the American Psychological Association, Washington D.C. August, 2011

Participation as a presenter on a symposium, on a roundtable, and as discussant on a symposium at the meetings of the International Society for Political Psychology, Herzlia, Israel, July 8-11, 2013

Media and Community
Many newspaper and magazine articles described my work. A few examples of special interest: The Science Section of the New York Times, (March 5, 1985 on Altruism; May 14, 1985 on The Psychology of the Perpetrators of Torture; May 29, 1990, on The Roots of Racism, August 24, 1994 on Ethnic conflict and ethnic violence; Feature article in the Science Section of the New York Times, June 22, 1993, "Scientist at Work: Ervin Staub. Studying the pivotal role of bystanders;" an article in the New York Times "Why do we donate? It is personal." on 12/9/97; an article in the Times "N.B.A. needs to address riots in title cities" 5/31/98; an article in the Times on "Rage" in the Week in Review, August 1,
1999; An Associated Press article in 1984 on Helping Behavior that was carried in many newspapers around the country; Washington Post's Health Magazine (June 7, 1988, on the development of caring and connection among groups and nations); Psychology Today (September/October. 1988; on "Beyond Selfishness"); front page article in L. A. Times on police violence, March 28, 1991 based primarily on an interview with me; USA Today; A feature article in a Japanese magazine, Nikkei Women, as part of a series on "Remarkable Americans", late 1994; An article in September 2001 issue of the U.S. News and World Report on "Bringing up bold babies" (the origins of heroic action); articles in the American Psychological Association Monitor, describing my work; many newspaper articles on heroism, the impact of terrorism, prisoner abuse in Iraq and other topics after 9/11/2001 (The London Daily Telegraph, November 24, 2001; USA Today, 11/21/01; The Seattle Times, 9/12/01; The Washington Times, The Richmond Times-Dispatch, the Hartford Courant, Associated Press, and others). Continued articles in U.S. papers in 2001-2005, as well as articles in foreign papers (the Netherlands, Spain, Rwanda and elsewhere).

Many appearances on television programs on dealing with helping, heroism, aggression, torture, genocide and other collective violence, war, youth violence, police violence, and role of bystanders in violence and the behavior of bystanders in general. These included several programs on Channels 4 and 5, Boston; a number of program on channels in Springfield, MA; the Ron Reagan show on "Evil," September 18, 1991; the CBS Evening News on overcoming racism in children, February 16, 1992; NBC Evening News on the potential influence of bystanders and reducing the use of unnecessary force by police, July 4, 1993; "The open mind", a half-hour interview program that aired on PBS in July, 1994; ABC's 20/20 program on Bystanders in Rwanda and Kosovo, July 27, 1999. A consultant on and appeared in a series of three programs entitled "The roots of evil," inspired by my book of the same title, that was shown on BBC Television in England and on the Discovery Channel on September 5, 1998 in the U.S. as well as in other countries; Reclaiming Hope a Video sponsored by the American Psychological Association in the aftermath of the attacks on 9/11/01; documentaries about the Armenian genocide, and many others.

Radio shows in many places on the origins of varied kinds of violence, passivity, helping others, active bystandership and heroism and raising caring children, including Miami, Washington, D.C., Boston, Hartford, Illinois and Wisconsin, the Top of the Nation program originating in Washington, the Cambridge Forum, NPR' All Things Considered and Morning Edition, Visions of the family, a syndicated program on WHYY in Philadelphia, The Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, many of these carried by many stations; also in London, BBC Outlook series, BBC Ireland, and others. Many radio interviews/talks shows after 9/11/01, as well as about prisoner abuse in Iraq in 2004, on WFCR Amherst, WHYY Philadelphia (Voices in the family), ABC News health program; programs on our work on Rwanda, such as BBC Worldnews, and others.

Lectures to organizations, churches and synagogues in towns and cities around Massachusetts, and to student groups. Guest editorials and columns in newspapers: on the mistreatment of groups of people; the development of altruism; heroic (high risk) helping; the psychology of perpetrators; the psychology and role of bystanders; values in the university; values in foreign policy, youth and community violence and their prevention; the use of the tragedy of September 11, 2001 for creating more caring and empathy, and related topics.

Blogs on the Psychology Today Blog site on the topics above, and related topics. Also some blogs on the Huffington Post.