

FEEDBACK FROM THE HIGH LEVEL MEDIATION WORKSHOP

This workshop has been an eye opener. It has given clear guidelines on how mediation should be conducted. Being here has given me a broad analysis framework to operate in. The conflict analysis model we were exposed to is fundamental in analysing the context of any country. I would recommend this to others, particularly in the military. I would like to see this training offered in our defence and war colleges. – Mike Hadebe, SANDF

This workshop has been very useful, particularly as I'm doing my dissertation on mediation. I have learnt that the same event can be interpreted so differently by different people. I hope this is not just an academic endeavour but will really influence policy. The facilitators were fantastic! – Hellen Adhiambo Gichuhi, Deputy High Commissioner, Kenya

The workshop has opened my eyes to some of the issues we take for granted. I work for the government, which is an active player in mediation, and this workshop has helped me to see the role our government is taking and to consider all the many issues involved. This has compelled me to look deeper and further and to be more open. It has made me a better public servant. I would like to see more cooperation between the Centre for Mediation in Africa and DIRCO. There is a tremendous value that the Centre can offer to civil servants active on the cold face of this kind of work. – Francis Maloi, DIRCO

I enjoyed the group discussion and feedback. The issue of internal and external legitimacy in a mediation process was very relevant. It's a matter that arises often. – Kenny Kapinga, High Commissioner, Botswana

I enjoyed the conversations during tea and lunch breaks with facilitators and those attending the workshop. I appreciated being able to interact with the facilitators on a really high level. As a whole, the workshop was fascinating. There was a lot to take in but it was really stimulating. – Broc Rademan, Honours student, Department of Political Sciences, University of Pretoria

This training in mediation has been very useful to my professional work and with regards to African issues. Many conflict take place on this continent. – Maher Ben Salem, Embassy of Tunisia

I came to this workshop because Jamaica has a lot of links to Africa. We contribute to peace keeping police forces in Sudan and other African countries. I'm personally interested in mediation but also believe small countries like Jamaica can make a contribution. – Norma Taylor Roberts, High Commissioner, Jamaica