

THE SENATOR GEORGE J. MITCHELL INSTITUTE FOR GLOBAL PEACE, SECURITY AND JUSTICE

Contested Resonances: Creativity, Listening and Performance in Conflict Transformation

Virtual Conference 29th- 30th July 2021

Call for Papers

This interdisciplinary conference will examine conflict and post-conflict contexts through sound in performative practice. Themes include: peacebuilding efforts by music-based community arts initiatives; sonic-arts and theatrical re-soundings of conflict; creative and musical interventions in conflict and post-conflict societies; sound-based methodologies for exploring the narratives and everyday experiences of people in post-conflict contexts. We also welcome papers that explore the nature of creative processes and practices in conflict and post-conflict settings through theatre, movement, visual and plastic arts, and film as they relate to sound.

We invite papers that discuss a range of issues around:

- Sounding out the lived experience of people in conflict and post-conflict contexts
- Intersensorial analyses of creative practices for understanding conflict
- Processes of sound in the historical auditory imagination/remembering of conflict
- Practices of listening towards peacebuilding
- The poetics, performativity and politics of sound and movement in conflict/post-conflict contexts
- The role of sound technologies in shaping creative interventions
- The relationship between sound and (contested) place-making
- Innovative methodologies that utilise sound (or other creative practice)
- 1. We invite you to send paper abstracts (max. 500 words) or panel proposals (max. 1500 words) for one of the following categories:
 - Individual papers (20 minutes plus 10 minutes of discussion)
 - Panels (3 related papers of 90 minutes in total, including discussion)
 - Presentation of soundworks, films or other media
 - Poster presentations.

Please submit your abstracts to **Easychair.org_by 30th March 2021**. Please note, an Easychair account is required to make your submission. If you do not have an Easychair account, please use the link provided to create a free account: <u>Account Creation and Submission</u>. To view the Conference details and make a submission after your account is created, please return to this page and click this link: <u>Easychair Submission</u>.

- 2. Proposals will be evaluated anonymously by peer review process. Please note, we are unable to fund participation in the conference.
- 3. Successful applicants will be notified by **30th April 2021.**

Further information is available via the Project's Web Site: www.soundingconflict.org

The conference is organised by Prof. Fiona Magowan, Prof. Pedro Rebelo, Dr. Stefanie Lehner and Christina Captieux as part of the AHRC funded project Sounding Conflict 2017-2021. It is hosted by the Senator George, J. Mitchell Institute for Global Peace Security and Justice, Queen's University Belfast.

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