



In conjunction with Celeste Ward, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Stability Operations Capabilities, Dr. Hans Binnendijk, Director of the Center for Technology and National Security Policy, and Bernie Carreau, Senior Research Fellow, invite you to participate in a two-day seminar course on:

**"Economic Rehabilitation for Conflict and Counterinsurgency"  
July 30-31, 2008  
National Defense University**

This seminar will address the challenges of restoring the livelihoods of local populations both during and after conflict and insurgency. It will explore the links between economic security and stability as well as the links between economic opportunity and insurgency. What are the most effective ways to revitalize local economies, not necessarily to western liberal market standards, but with a view toward local traditions and the need for stability?

The seminar will focus on improving local agricultural production and marketing, revitalizing local industries, and encouraging new business development opportunities. To be effective, this will require pre-conflict and post-conflict economic assessments, which should identify such areas as how people make a living, what the major industries are, how important the state sector is, and who the local economic power brokers are. It will also require an infrastructure assessment, especially for sectors most important for economic progress and business development, such as power, water, telecommunications, and roads. What are the sources of economic data and intelligence and what should be the role of the military, civilian agencies, and the intelligence community?

While not overlooking the importance of macroeconomic stability, the seminar will focus particularly on economic rehabilitation at the local level and getting people back to work or into sustainable livelihoods. It will explore difficult issues of local employment generation, such as access to capital, especially small and medium business loans and microfinance, the rehabilitation of state-owned enterprises, local contracting by U.S. and foreign donors, and private investment in unstable societies. What is the most efficient way for the United States and other donors to spend resources, locate local contractors, and encourage private investment? Are there additional government tools needed to encourage private investment in post-conflict countries? The seminar will bring together representatives of private companies who have operated in unstable environments to discuss their experiences and recommendations. It will examine new initiatives by government agencies to vet local companies and form partnerships with U.S., regional, and other foreign companies.

**WHEN: July 30-31, 2008**

**WHERE: National Defense University, Marshall Hall, Room 155, Ft. McNair, Washington, DC**



**WHAT:** 2-day seminar with continental breakfast and lunch served. **There is no cost to participate.**

This seminar is a continuation of the NDU-CTNSP series of seminar courses on stability operations. Themes, speakers and topics will vary from course to course, so prior attendees are welcome.

**HOW to register:** Respond by email to [CTNSP-NCO@ndu.edu](mailto:CTNSP-NCO@ndu.edu) with your name, title, position, organization, email and phone number.

**PLEASE NOTE: Administrative details and the seminar agenda will follow.** If you know of someone who would welcome an invitation to this course, please forward this email. Specific questions may be addressed to Dale Erickson, [ericksond2@ndu.edu](mailto:ericksond2@ndu.edu).