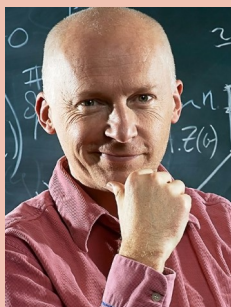


Conflict

Malvern Festival of Ideas 2018

**A weekend of themed talks, discussion, debate and activities
2-4 March 2018, Malvern, Worcestershire**

Welcome



Welcome to the 2018 Malvern Festival of Ideas. A Weekend that offers a wonderful opportunity to become better informed and to engage through talks, discussion and other activities, in open dialogue on matters of key importance to us all as human beings. On the anniversary of the end of the Great War, the theme for the Weekend is Conflict, which is explored from diverse perspectives including Military, Social, Political and Personal. In a world where we are daily presented with news of conflict at home and abroad, we all have a part to play in bringing about resolution and reconciliation. I recommend this weekend to you.

Professor Marcus du Sautoy

Malvern Festival of Ideas is a multidisciplinary and inclusive weekend of events on what matters. It continues the development of the Malvern Science and Faith Weekends, begun in 2012. The theme for the 2018 Weekend is Conflict and themed sessions explore this topic from different perspectives including Military, Social and Political perspectives. The speakers at the 2018 Malvern Festival of Ideas will address the topic of Conflict from their own standpoints, and the accompanying discussions and activities will allow participants to follow up their own interests within this overall theme.

The Art and Science Activity Day for children is an essential part of the Weekend. This year, it includes a practical history lesson in Viking Longship construction as well as science workshops, demonstrations and art activities.

There is **no charge** for entry to events at Malvern Festival of Ideas, though there are considerable expenses. As in previous years, we will ask at each event for your donations towards those costs.

Every effort has been made to ensure that the information contained in this brochure is correct at the time of going to press. Any changes will be notified via the Festival website.

Refreshments

Refreshments will be available at many of the venues. Buffet lunches must be booked in advance—please see the event descriptions.

Booking

Booking for the events is strongly recommended. This can be done via the website or Eventbrite or by telephone. Details are found below.

Contact and booking details

Website:

www.malvernfestivalofideas.org.uk

Booking: [mfi2018.eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com/mfi2018)

Facebook: [facebook.com/](https://www.facebook.com/malvernfestivalofideas)

[malvernfestivalofideas](https://www.facebook.com/malvernfestivalofideas)

Twitter: @MalvernFI

Email: info@malvernfestivalofideas.org.uk

Telephone: 01684 565708

Front cover

Peace Bridge, across River Foyle in Derry, Northern Ireland linking the largely unionist 'Waterside' with the largely nationalist 'Cityside'.

Conflict: UK Role

Could Britain be a Peacemaker?

The Rt. Hon. Clare Short

7.30pm to 9.30pm Friday 2nd March 2018

The Chase School, Geraldine Road, Malvern, Worcestershire, WR14 3NZ



The Rt. Hon. Clare Short

Clare Short was elected to Member of Parliament for her home constituency of Birmingham Ladywood in 1983. During the years of Labour's opposition, Clare served as Shadow Minister for Women, for Transport and Overseas Development amongst other things. Clare was a member of Labour's National Executive Committee (NEC) from 1988-1997 and Chair of the NEC's Women's Committee. When Labour came to power in 1997, Clare was appointed Secretary of State for International Development, a post she held for six years. Clare developed a strong reputation as an effective minister both at home and abroad, boosting the UK's development profile. Clare resigned from the Government in 2003 in opposition to the Iraq War. In 2004 she published *An Honourable Deception? New Labour, Iraq, and the Misuse of Power* which analysed the causes of Britain's involvement in the conflict and considered ways in which institutional safeguards might be created and adapted in order to prevent future unilateral interventions. She addresses the Weekend on the theme of Britain's possible role as a peacemaker.

Forgotten People / Military Perspectives

Saturday 3rd March 2018

The Chase School, Geraldine Road, Malvern,
Worcestershire, WR14 3NZ



10.00am to 11.00am

Forgotten Lives

Eleanor O'Gorman



11.30am to 12.30pm

Racial Conflict and Awareness

Anthony Reddie

1.00pm to 2.00pm Lunch

2.00pm to 3.00pm

Utility of Force

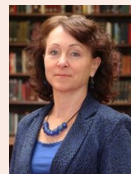
Rupert Smith



3.30pm to 4.30pm

Civil-Military Cooperation in Stabilisation Operations

Karin von Hippel



Tea and Coffee will be provided during the morning and afternoon sessions. For those people attending both the morning and afternoon sessions a **buffet lunch** will be available. Lunch must be **booked** via the website or telephone.

Malvern Book Co-operative is providing a bookstall on Saturday and Sunday. They will be offering books **for sale** by speakers at the whole of the Malvern Festival of Ideas.

Conflict: Forgotten People



Dr Eleanor O'Gorman

Eleanor O'Gorman is a consultant and researcher on issues of conflict and international development that range from programmes to support peace processes, gender analysis and women's participation, to strategic assessments of organisations and the impact of aid. Her clients include the United Nations, the European Union and the governments of the UK, Ireland, and Germany. Her field experience includes Democratic Republic of Congo, Liberia, Zimbabwe, Somalia, Timor-Leste, Sri Lanka and Nepal. Eleanor previously served as a senior adviser with the UN. She is the author of *The Frontline Runs Through Every Woman* and *Conflict and Development* and is a Senior Associate of the University of Cambridge Centre for Gender Studies. She addresses the Weekend on Women and War.



Professor Anthony Reddie

Anthony Reddie is a Learning and Development Officer for the Methodist Church and an Extraordinary Professor of Theological Ethics at the University of South Africa and a Fellow of Wesley House, in Cambridge. He specialises in undertaking action-research and participative observational work with predominantly poorer Black communities in the UK. He has written over 70 essays and articles on Christian Education and Black Theology and is the author and editor of 17 books. His more recent titles include *The SCM Core Text: Black Theology, Contesting Post-Racialism* and *Journeying to Justice*. He is editor of *Black Theology: An International Journal*. He addresses the theme of racial conflict from his perspective as a Practical Black theologian whose work concerns the issues of 'race' and power.

Conflict: Military Perspectives



General Sir Rupert Smith

General Sir Rupert Smith has made decisive contributions to ending major conflicts. His last command was as Deputy Supreme Commander Allied Powers Europe, covering NATO's Balkan operations, including the Kosovo bombing. Prior to that he commanded the British Division in the first Gulf War 1990/1991, commanded UNPROFOR Sarajevo in 1995, breaking the siege, and commanded the Army in Northern Ireland over the period of the Good Friday agreement 1996-1998. His book *The Utility of Force: The Art of War in the Modern World* describes the changing nature of war as a series of linked confrontations and conflicts. He addresses the Weekend on The Utility of Force.



Dr Karin von Hippel

Karin von Hippel is the Director-General of the Royal United Services Institute (RUSI). She joined RUSI after serving in the US Department of State as a Senior Adviser in the Bureau of Counter-terrorism, then as a Deputy Assistant Secretary in the Bureau of Conflict and Stabilization Operations and as Chief of Staff to General John Allen, Special Presidential Envoy for the Global Coalition to Counter-ISIL. She co-directed the Post-Conflict Reconstruction Project at the Center for Strategic and International Studies in Washington, DC. She has direct experience in over two dozen conflict zones. She is author of *Democracy by Force: US Military Intervention in the Post-Cold War World*. She addresses the Weekend on what has been termed *the Peacebuilding Dilemma: Civil-Military Cooperation*.

Conflict: A Critical Century

A Century on the Edge: From Cold War to Hot World - 1945-2045

7.30pm to 9.30pm Saturday 3rd March 2018,

St Matthias Church, Church Road, Malvern, WR14 1NP

Professor Paul Rogers

Paul Rogers is professor of Peace Studies at Bradford University. He worked originally in the biological and environmental sciences, including lecturing at Imperial College and working in East Africa but has worked for the past 35 years on international security. He is a consultant to Oxford Research Group, an independent UK think tank, writes on international security issues for www.opendemocracy.net/ and is a frequent broadcaster.



His most recent book, *Irregular War: ISIS and the New Threats from the Margins*, was published by I B Taurus in July, 2017. He addresses the weekend on the theme of the critical century, 1945 to 2045. This is the century when we have to come to terms with the ability to destroy ourselves with weapons of mass destruction and our capacity to cause irreparable damage to the global environment by exceeding the limits to growth. How are we doing so far?

Conflict: Programme for Schools

This year, some activities are taking place in schools as part of the Festival. The **Peace Museum, Bradford**, established in 1994 to explore the history and the often untold stories of peacemakers and social reform, will provide curriculum-linked workshops for KS2. **Solutions Not Sides** will explore the Israeli-Palestinian conflict with sixth-form groups. For further details on these activities, please contact the Festival organisers.



Conflicting Interests -

Workshop—Art—Science—Crafts—Demonstrations—Magic

10am to 4pm Saturday 3rd March 2018

Holly Mount URC, Queens Drive, Great Malvern, WR14 4RE

BUILD A VIKING LONGSHIP

Make History come to life with a 'Build a Viking Longship' workshop led by **Charlie Lupton** of MAKE YOUR OWN HISTORY.

Children will have the hands-on experience of building a piece of 'living history'. They will use all the learning styles to solve problems as they work in teams, enjoy themselves AND learn history. They will steep themselves in history as they assemble a Viking Longship.



During the afternoon, children will:

- Build the Viking Longship
- Weave "sails" on a Viking "warp-weighted loom"
- Sew sails for the ship
- Make "authentic" Viking shields
- Design oar blades and dragon heads

Session 2pm to 4pm

for 7-11 year-olds

BOOKING ESSENTIAL



CRAFT ACTIVITIES & GAMES

A selection of Conflict Crafts to make, Puzzles and Games brought to you by **Holly Mount Arts**.

Activities for all ages

These take place from 1pm.

Activities for Young People

Surprising Science

Matt Pritchard presents a show packed with science tricks, stunts and puzzles.

Matt challenges the audience to discover the sneaky scientific secrets behind the surprising illusions. A show that is

not just awe and wonder, but one that

encourages scientific enquiry and critical thinking skills. Aimed at 5-11 years. Show at 11am.



By popular demand, a return of science presenter **Jon Wood** and his entertaining science workshops:



When Scientists Go Bad

Scientific research is like a bun fight, with everyone loving their own theory. What happens when these egos clash? Who wins and who loses? Stories from history of fame and fortune, tears and blame.

Contesting Flight

Roll up and compete in the paper airplane contest. We'll look at the physics of flight that not only goes the distance, but can carry the most weight.

Workshops at 10am and 12noon

CAFÉ

Enjoy refreshments at *Café de la Paix* – tea, coffee, soft drinks and a fabulous selection of cakes and Peaceful Biscuits.

Served throughout the day.



Timetable—at a glance

10am	Jon Wood: Bad Scientists
11am	Matt Pritchard: Surprise
12noon	Jon Wood: Flight Contest
1pm	Craft activities (to 4pm)
2pm	Charlie Lupton: Longship
4pm	Close

Social Conflict



10.00am Sunday 4th March 2018, Malvern Cube

The Corruption of Capitalism:

Why Rentiers Thrive and Work Does Not Pay

Professor Guy Standing

Guy Standing is Professorial Research Associate at the School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), University of London, and co-founder and honorary co-president of the Basic Income Earth Network (BIEN). From 1975 to 2006, he worked at the International Labour Organization, latterly as director of the ILO's Socio-Economic Security Programme.

He has written widely in the areas of labour economics, labour market flexibility, structural adjustment policies and social protection. His recent work has concerned the emerging precariat class and the need to move towards basic income and deliberative democracy. His latest books are *The Corruption of Capitalism: Why Rentiers Thrive and Work Does Not Pay* (Biteback, 2016) and *Basic Income: And How We Can Make It Happen* (Penguin, 2017). He will explain why growth of the precariat is intensifying social conflict, populism and a new progressive politics.



11.30am Sunday 4th March 2018, Malvern Cube

Are We Now a Divided Society?

Professor Ted Cattle

In August 2001, Ted was appointed by the UK Home Secretary to lead a review of the summer riots in a number of English northern towns and cities. The riots were based on conflict between ethnic minority and white groups. The subsequent 'Cattle Report' established the concept of 'community cohesion' and developed an entirely new approach to race and community relations. Ted was

appointed as a government adviser to oversee the introduction of this new policy framework. He has written two books: *Community Cohesion: A New Framework for Race and Diversity* (2005) and *Interculturalism - The New Era of Cohesion and Diversity* (2012) (Palgrave Macmillan), in which he argues that the old multicultural paradigms must be replaced by a new intercultural framework for managing community relations in a world defined by globalisation and super-diversity. Ted continues to advise a wide range of public, private and voluntary sector agencies.

Both the above events take place at Malvern Cube, Albert Road North, Malvern, WR14 2YF.

Conflict and the Search for Justice

Conflict, Imagination and the Search for Justice

Professor Mona Siddiqui

2.30pm-4.30pm Sunday 4th March 2018

Friends Meeting House, 1 Orchard Road, Malvern WR14 3DA



Professor Mona Siddiqui

Mona Siddiqui joined the University of Edinburgh's Divinity school in December 2011 as the first person to hold a chair in Islamic and Interreligious Studies. She also holds the posts of Assistant Principal for Religion and Society and Dean international for the Middle-East at the University of Edinburgh. Her research areas are primarily in the field of Islamic jurisprudence and ethics and Christian-Muslim relations.

Amongst her most recent publications are *50 Ideas in Islam* (Quercus, 2016), *Hospitality in Islam: Welcoming in God's Name* (Yale UP, 2015), *Christian, Muslims and Jesus* (Yale UP, 2013). She is well known internationally as a public intellectual and a speaker on issues around religion, ethics and public life. She is a regular commentator in the media, known especially for her appearances on BBC Radio 4 and BBC Radio Scotland's *Thought for the Day*, as well as being a panellist on *The Moral Maze*. She chairs the BBC's Religious Advisory Committee in Scotland and in 2017, chaired an independent inquiry into Sharia councils, commissioned by the Home Office. She is fellow of the Royal Society of Edinburgh and in 2011 she was awarded an OBE for her contribution to interfaith services.

Conflict: At a Glance

2nd March 2018 7.30pm	Could Britain be a Peacemaker? Clare Short	Chase School
3rd March 2018 10am to 1pm	Conflict: Forgotten People Victoria Brittain, Anthony Reddie	Chase School
3rd March 2018 2pm to 5pm	Conflict: Military Perspectives Rupert Smith, Karin von Hippel	Chase School
3rd March 2018 7.30pm	Conflict: A Critical Century Paul Rogers	St Matthias
3rd March 2018 10am to 4pm	Conflicting Interests: A Day of Activities for young people with Jon Wood, Matt Pritchard and Charlie Lupton	Holly Mount
4th March 2018 10am to 12.30pm	Social Conflict Guy Standing, Ted Cattle	The Cube
4th March 2018 2.30pm	Conflict and the Search for Justice Mona Siddiqui	Friends Meeting House

Malvern Festival of Ideas began life in 2012 as the Malvern Science and Faith Weekend. It is part of the charity *EngageMalvern* (registered charity no. 1175088), with the objects of community capacity building and the advancement of education for the public benefit in Malvern and surrounding areas.
www.engagemalvern.org.uk

The 2019 Malvern Festival of Ideas will be 8-10 March 2019.

