

International Conference on Peace and Development in Yemen

Salzburg 2026 | Official Programme — Parallel Workshops & World Café Format
University of Salzburg, Austria · 10–11 April 2026

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FRIDAY, 10TH APRIL 2026

09:00–09:30 Registration

09:30–10:30 **Official Opening Ceremony | Room E 004**

10:30–10:45 Coffee Break ☕

10:45–12:00

Room 1.003

P1: International Community & Peace Guarantees

- ① What has failed in past international engagement with Yemen?
- ② Which international guarantees are needed for the transition?
- ③ How should international support be coordinated?
- ④ Which role for the UN and EU in the peace process?
- ⑤ Which are the most urgent next international steps?

Room 1.004

P1: Peace References & State Restoration

- ① Which political references can anchor a peace process?
- ② How to turn references into binding commitments?
- ③ How to address root causes: state, power & wealth sharing?
- ④ Which mechanisms protect national partnership?
- ⑤ Which role for the Gulf Initiative & National Dialogue outputs?

Room E 004

P1: Ceasefire & Transition Roadmap

- ① What are the criterias for a comprehensive ceasefire?
- ② How to monitor ceasefires and manage violations?
- ③ How to design an inclusive political process?
- ④ Which are the priorities of the transitional phase?
- ⑤ Which conditions enable free and fair elections

12:00–13:30 Lunch Break | 10 min. walk to the mensa of science university

13:30–14:45

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P4: Obstacles to Peace & Spoilers

- ① Which are the main obstacles to comprehensive peace in Yemen?
- ② Which are the lessons from Stockholm & past agreements?
- ③ How to deal with weapons outside state control?
- ④ How to address armed groups with external/ideological support?
- ⑤ Which tools exist to handle spoilers of the peace process

Room 1.004

P5: Inclusive Political Process & Elections

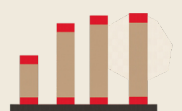
- ① How to design a truly inclusive political process?
- ② How to ensure all political components are represented?
- ③ Which conditions enable free and fair elections?
- ④ How to protect women's and youth's participation?
- ⑤ How to build a credible transitional governing body

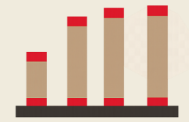
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P6: Humanitarian – Political Nexus

- ① How to embed umanitarian needs into the political track?
- ② Which humanitarian priorities are tied to political stability?
- ③ How to ensure fair and transparent aid access?
- ④ How to improve living conditions and reduce drivers of violence?
- ⑤ How to integrate the humanitarian dimension in final recommendations?

14:45–15:00 Coffee Break ☕





15:00–16:00 Editing Time, Compilation, Free Networking & Bilateral Meetings

16:00–16:30 **Plenary Day 1 Results | Room E 004**

16:30–16:45 Break

16:45–18:00 **Panel Discussion open to Media | Room E 004**

*Selected Speeches & Panel Discussion & Open Debate
with Senior Yemeni political figures/ International Guests / Diplomates*

18:00–19:00 **Dinner Reception | Foyer University**

SATURDAY, 11TH APRIL 2026

09:00 Entry

09:30–10.45

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D1: Economic Recovery & Reconstruction

- ① What are the priorities for post-conflict economic recovery?
- ② Which are the urgent needs to improve livelihoods?
- ③ What role can the private sector play in job creation?
- ④ How to leverage international partnerships for reconstruction?
- ⑤ How to link economic recovery to political stability

D2: Governance, Institutions & Rule of Law

- ① Where to start in rebuilding state institutions?
- ② How to enhance transparency and accountability?
- ③ What is the role of the judiciary in restoring rule of law?
- ④ How to build institutional capacity at the local level?
- ⑤ How to restore citizens' trust in the state?

D3: Architecture of International Support

- ① What are the priority areas of international support for Yemen?
- ② Which role for the EU in supporting peace and development?
- ③ How to coordinate support and prevent conflicting agendas?
- ④ Which funding mechanisms for recovery and reconstruction?
- ⑤ Which monitoring mechanisms ensure implementation?

10:45–11:00 **Coffee Break** ☕

11:00–12:15

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D4: Social Cohesion, Transitional Justice & Reconciliation

- ① How to rebuild social trust after years of conflict?
- ② Which transitional justice mechanisms are suitable for Yemen?
- ③ How to address collective trauma and displaced communities?
- ④ How to build an inclusive national narrative?
- ⑤ Which role for local reconciliation initiatives?

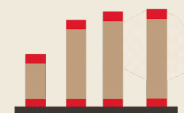
D5: Women, Youth & Inclusive Participation

- ① How to ensure meaningful women's participation in peacebuilding?
- ② What is the role of Yemeni youth in the peace process?
- ③ How to include diaspora communities in national dialogue?
- ④ Which mechanisms protect vulnerable groups in transition?
- ⑤ How to build the next generation of Yemeni leadership?

D6: Yemen's Vision – A Shared Future

- ① What does the Yemen we want look like after peace?
- ② Which national values should anchor the new Yemen?
- ③ Which message does Salzburg send to the world?
- ④ What are our commitments as Yemenis to the peace process?
- ⑤ How do we hold ourselves accountable to these commitments?

12:15–13:15 **Lunch Reception | Foyer University**



- 13:15–14:00** Editing Time, Compilation, Free Networking & Bilateral Meetings
- 14:00–14:30** **Plenary Day 2 Results | Room E 004**
- 14:30–14:45** Coffee Break ☕
- 14:45–15:45** **Review & Adoption of the Salzburg Document | Room E 004**
All participants · Collective review of all recommendations · Discussion & amendments · Formal adoption
- 15:45–16:00** Short Break
- 16:00–17:00** **Declaration of the Salzburg Document open to Media | Room E 004**
Address by Conference Secretary-General, General Rapporteur presents all recommendations, Closing Remarks
- 17:00–18:00** Official Group Photo | Farewell Reception | End of Conference

IMPORTANT INFOS

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Busstop "Justizgebäude", serviced by lines 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 12, 17, 25, 27

Methodological Notes to World Café Format

Workshops closed to invited participants only · 5 tables per room · max 8 per table
Each participant can choose maximum 2 tables: Round 1 (20 min) then moves to a different table for Round 2 (20 min), if time permits 3rd round. Notes are being taken on each table.
Official rapporteur in each room. Editor prepares consolidated summary after each session.

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