

Canadian youth must continue to be involved in defining their place within Canada's peacebuilding and international development efforts.

Other issues:

- Awareness of the values we project is imperative;
 - Canvass ALL levels of a community or society when assessing the desirable system to implement.
 - Be careful not to fall into ethnocentric traps.
 - In trying to understand and assess a particular post-conflict situation, experience has demonstrated that the "top-down" approach is not always the best way to gather relevant information.
 - There has been a shift from the academe being the sole providers of knowledge, to the community being providers of cultural and social values.
 - When the human rights discourse is brought into the community realm, the community human rights standards must be the starting point, moving into the regional, national and then into the international realm;
E.g. what about female circumcision? At a community level it may be a desirable practice
 - The reunification of warring factions cannot be imposed.
 - Social and community values are not static, it is a dynamic process.
- Trying to rationalize what are largely Eurocentric values into other societies is where the problems often begin.
- Another concern is the power of the multinationals, many of whom appear to be beyond the control of nation states. The role of these organizations in various conflicts cannot be ignored.
- Is the goal to 'be all things to all people'?
- Sustainability is another concern.
 - The limits of majority democracy become apparent – it is often a mistake to assume that the legitimacy of a particular power arrangement can be established and maintained simply by the ballot box.
 - It is important not to encourage receiving countries to borrow models indiscriminately. Obviously, more work is required to assess the transferability of criminal justice models and practices which are being considered for adoption by receiving countries.
- Culture and society are not static processes.
- In a post-conflict situation, child-soldiers are obviously not the only ones affected.
 - There are children in concentration camps, children whose families have been destroyed, refugee children, etc.
 - It is essential to address these problems. If not, the social situation can only continue to deteriorate.
 - Although reserving our compassion and our help for the most 'deserving' children may make us feel better, it may not always be the best strategic