Seminar Topic:
“Peace, Conflict & Development: An Emerging Paradigm for Development Workers”
Guest Speaker:
Steve Darvill, Peace-Conflict Adviser, AusAID
Time & Location:
Tuesday March 7th, 12.30 – 1.30pm,
Rm 515, 207 Bouverie St, Carlton

Steve is the Humanitarian / Peace-Conflict Adviser for the Australian Government Agency for International Development (AusAID) in Canberra.

In this role, he is responsible for supporting AusAID to integrate conflict prevention and peace-building goals into programs and activities as well as providing advice on humanitarian protection issues.

Steve will speak about his experiences and will outline some of the contemporary discourse about the role of development practitioners and humanitarian workers on preventing conflict and building peace in conflict-prone societies. He will attempt to draw attention to some of the implications of this discourse for mental health workers attempting to provide support to conflict-affected communities.

Steve has been with AusAID for ten years and previously worked as a Program Manager within the Humanitarian & Emergencies Section; as the Emergencies Officer in the East Timor Section during the 1999 ballot and ensuing crisis; and as AusAID Liaison Officer to the UN agencies in Amman (Jordan) and Larnaca (Cyprus) during the 2003 conflict in Iraq. His current geographic focii include Solomon Islands, southern Philippines, Aceh, Sri Lanka, Burma, Nepal and Sudan.

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