## **Important Announcement**

# **Creating Safer Space**



### **Launch of Funding Competition**

The Creating Safer Space network invites applications for research grants. We will fund about 15 – 20 research projects to understand and support unarmed civilian protection and self-protection amidst violent conflict. Grants range from £20,000 - £100,000 GBP.

#### What is Creating Safer Space?

Creating Safer Space is an international research network. We support research that explores how violence against civilians can be deterred or prevented by civilians without the use or threat of force.

#### Who can apply for funding?

Organisations based in Low and Middle Income Countries (LMICs) or in the UK are welcome to apply for funding. This can be research organisations (such as universities), or practice-oriented organisations (such as NGOs) that wish to undertake a research project.

#### What kind of projects will be funded?

Projects must undertake research: a systematic investigation, of some kind, to further our knowledge or understanding of unarmed civilian protection and self-protection amidst violent conflict. It is *not* sufficient to engage in humanitarian activities to protect civilians in conflict. Projects will be 6 – 16 months in duration.

We especially welcome applications that focus on conflicts in Colombia, South Sudan, Myanmar and the Philippines, but research in other Low and Middle Income Countries (LMICs) will also be supported.

#### What kind of funding will be provided?

Grants range from £20,000 - £100,000 GBP, and cover most costs associated with the research project: the time that Principal and Co-Investigators commit to the project, employment of a research assistant, travel and subsistence, consumables and overheads.

#### How do we apply for a grant?

Submit an application to the Creating Safer Space network by **15 April 2022**. The application forms are available on our website, together with more information on how to apply: <a href="https://creating-safer-space.com/grants/">https://creating-safer-space.com/grants/</a>

#### How do we find out more?

Potential applicants are warmly invited to one of our information session, which will be held on the following dates:

In English: 10.00 – 11.00 am on Tuesday 1 February In English: 08.00 – 09.00 am on Wednesday 2 March

In Spanish: To be confirmed

Please contact <u>creating-safer-space@aber.ac.uk</u> for Zoom joining details.

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