



# Navigating Inclusion

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## What?

This project provided a critical theoretical analysis of the current state of the field regarding how inclusive political settlements emerge and are nurtured, with reference to periods of conflict resolution in fragile and conflict-affected states. We provided conceptual tools for understanding how peace processes seek to re-shape political settlements. A central focus was on how issues of inclusion are navigated by different types of actors, and a clear body of outputs engage with questions of gender inclusion.

## How?

The project involved desk-based research, synthesis and development of new analysis on inter-disciplinary connections of political settlement literature to other relevant literatures. It also drew on the practice labs and in-country case study engagement.

## Why?

This project contributed to understanding how claims for inclusion are made through use of violence during peace processes, and when they are responded to. We also contributed to understanding when and how forms of exclusion reassert themselves. This work informed the overall research programme and project team. Furthermore, this project provided new insight into strategies for inclusion that work to create a bridge between the initial elite pact necessary to ending the conflict, to a more self-perpetuating political order.

## Who?

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## Key Publications

- [Bell, C., & Pospisil, J. \(2017\). Navigating Inclusion in Transitions from Conflict: The Formalised. \*Journal of International Development\*,25\(9\).](#)
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