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PCHA hosts Chatham House researchers in Roundtable Discussion

Eritrean Perspectives on the Future of the Horn of Africa

Asmara, April 2, 2014 – The Peacebuilding Centre for the Horn of Africa (PCHA) hosted a roundtable discussion with twenty Eritrean members from public, private, academia and civil society sectors and visiting researchers Jason Mosley and Ahmed Soliman from the UK based international affairs think tank Chatham House.

The theme for the roundtable discussion “***Eritrean Perspectives on the Future of the Horn of Africa***” provided an opportunity for Eritreans from within various sectors to impart their observations and experiences with international attitudes and impressions of Eritrea. The researchers overall remarks covered the pertinent and ongoing need for increased attention to foreign policymaker’s perceptions and approach towards Eritrea and finding the areas and possibilities to engage Eritrea further.

Discussion topics included the weight of geopolitics in the region, internal and external factors contributing to continued conflict, trajectory of Horn of Africa economies and relations between regional organizations.

Participants also attended a dinner after in which further conversations took place concluding that in the future further dialogue and engagement on the foreign policy level is needed.

The Peacebuilding Center for the Horn of Africa (PCHA) has hosted a number of roundtable discussions in the past regarding events in the Horn of Africa which have including guests Lionel Cliffe and Professor Terrance Lyons.

If interested in attending or ideas for future roundtable discussions guests or information about the Centre please contact PCHA at 127630.