PEACE DEFERRED: VIOLENCE IN THE AFTERMATH OF THE COLOMBIAN PEACE ACCORDS

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Abstract:
The 2016 Peace Accords between the Colombian government and the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia (FARC) promised to bring an end to more than fifty years of brutal conflict.

Yet, more than 300 social movement leaders and over 130 FARC ex-combatants have been killed since the Accords were signed nearly three years ago. In the department of Cauca in southwestern Colombia, the war continues to frustrate community-based struggles for autonomy and self-determination. Based on ten years of research and political advocacy in Colombia, Dr. Dest will present on the ongoing challenges to building peace.