Helping communities affected by conflict and trauma through innovative and reliable research, training, information exchange, and direct services.

Envisioning a world where people can build peaceful and prosperous futures free from the repercussions of conflict and disaster.
About CISR

WE EXIST BECAUSE...

• By 1996, millions of active landmines were scattered in more than 70 countries—killing and injuring men, women and children—destroying lives and livelihoods.

• Founded in 1996 at James Madison University as the Mine Action Information Center to conduct post-conflict research, education & training on landmine remediation

• We broadened this focus in 2008 to include other explosive remnants of war and increase activities for victims of conflicts and disasters.
Local Organization

The broad reach of our work:

• Our Mine Risk Education Programs have educated more than 10,000 children in Jordan.
• Our research has helped direct the collection of data and the prioritization of landmine removal.
• Our Senior Managers’ Courses have trained participants from 47 conflict-affected countries.
• Our Journal and website are read in more than 180 countries.
• Our Victim Assistance and Peer Support Programs have helped survivors on three continents.
Global Training Expertise

**Senior Management Training at JMU:**

- **Eight courses** completed at JMU from 2004-2012
- **Three courses** completed in Jordan from 2009-2011
- One course completed in Peru in 2012
- Designed for **senior-level staff** in mine action and weapons destruction; **239 participants** from **47 conflict-affected countries** have attended
SMC Participants

268 managers from 49 countries have benefited from Senior Management training by CISR and JMU faculty.
Information Exchange

- **The Journal of ERW and Mine Action**
  -- 16 years in publication
  -- Longest continuous source of ERW/landmine information in the world.

- **To Walk the Earth in Safety**
  -- Secretary of State Hillary Clinton recognized the 10th edition
  -- 11th edition available now!

- **CISR Website and Social Media**
  -- Message boards create dialogue
  -- Facebook and Tumblr share information.
On-the-ground Programming

Mine Risk Education
• Produced mine risk safety, theatrical play & art activities in Jordan seen by 10,000 children

Victim Assistance and Peer Support:
• Pathways to Resilience therapeutic program in Lebanon for landmine survivors
• Peer Support programs throughout Rwanda, Burundi, Uganda, Colombia and Vietnam

Research
• Study of the Effects of Aging on Landmines

On-the-ground Programming is provided with the expertise of JMU faculty
CISR–JMU Partnerships

- Faculty from the College of Business, Depts. of Chemistry, Engineering, Geographic Information Systems, Geology, History, Mathematics, Political Science and Graduate Psychology
- Office of Disability Services/Disability Awareness Week
- CISR/MPA Program Partnership
  - Dyncorp
  - Danish Demining Group
  - Internships
- JMU Sports Marketing/Military Appreciation Day

CISR employs:
- Ten current alumni
- Ten current students
- More than 500 students since 1996
The Frasure-Kruzel-Drew Memorial Fellowship for Humanitarian Demining

- Hosted by the Office of Weapons Removal and Abatement in the U.S. State Department’s Bureau of Political-Military Affairs
- One of the few paid internships offered by the U.S. State Department
- Established in 1999 for JMU seniors or recent graduates
- Twenty-one JMU graduates have been awarded the prestigious fellowship:
What’s Next?

Leading Through Innovation

In an increasingly constrained fiscal environment, **CISR is expanding horizons with new sources of funding.** CISR has used private funding in part to carry out:

-- Vietnam Victim Assistance

CISR is reaching out to alternative funders, including other sectors of the U.S. government, private foundations and corporate partners.
What’s Next?

Pushing the Boundaries

CISR continues expanding its scope of work while broadening its activities worldwide:

• USAID Iraq Higher Education Initiative
• Translating CISR work to new contexts:
  • Angola, Vietnam, Sudan & South Sudan, Ethiopia, Turkey, Afghanistan, Bosnia
• Potential for work in high priority areas including Libya, Syria, Iraq and Yemen
Visit our website at http://cisl.jmu.edu to become a part of this important work!