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# INEQUALITY AND CONFLICT

## BEYOND US AND THEM

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A research documentary from Guatemala, Nigeria, Sri Lanka, Indonesia and Switzerland

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**OFFICIAL FULL VERSION**  
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**Across the globe, social groups are targets of prejudice, women are excluded and troubled pasts remain unaddressed. The eruptive potential of inequality is widely underestimated and disguised by simplifications.**

**This is the story of people taking the fight for inclusion beyond us and them, not shying away from addressing painful pasts, discrimination and conflict.**

With the 2030 Agenda on Global Sustainable Development and its Sustainable Development Goal 16 on Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions there is enhanced global attention to do more on conflict prevention and violence reduction. There is also recognition that societies need to do much better in view of Gender Equality (SDG5) and Reducing Inequality (SDG10).

The research documentary «Inequality and Conflict – Beyond us and them» emerged from a participatory filmmaking process with researchers, local protagonists and science filmmakers from five countries on four continents. It portrays activists, local leaders, experts and policy-makers in different contexts around the world affected by inequality and conflict.

«Inequality and Conflict» is an invitation to raise the stakes for peace-building and social conflict work in a turbulent world, to deepen learning, to exchange, to debate and to hear what is very often not being said about working through social conflict, violence prevention and sustaining peace.

***«This documentary touched me deeply. Originating from Tadjikistan, the film spoke to a lot of my own memories and experiences.»***

*Participant of pre-screening event, June 2019*

***«A bitter-sweet tale that does not provide final answers but makes you think.»***

*Process observer, August 2019*



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