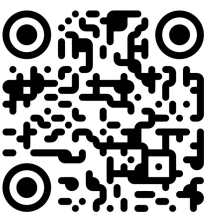


WHY PEACE NOW?

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PROCESS AND TRUMP ROUTE FOR INTERNATIONAL
PEACE AND PROSPERITY (TRIPP) THROUGH RIPENESS
AND PEACE CULTIVATION THEORIES



**ASYMMETRICAL RIPENESS OPENED NEGOTIATION; US MEDIATION CULTIVATED
A CREDIBLE WAY OUT. TRANSFORMATION REMAINS PROSPECTIVE.**

ASYMMETRICAL RIPENESS

In the Armenia–Azerbaijan conflict, asymmetrical ripeness reflected an unequal distribution of power. This asymmetry shaped the **2020** war and subsequently conditioned the interstate settlement process culminating in Washington.

INTERNATIONAL MEDIATION

International mediation through the Minsk Process and subsequent Russian peacekeeping failed to prevent renewed military conflict and the **2023** displacement. Their limitations strengthened incentives for an alternative mediation framework.

CULTIVATED WAY OUT

Under the provision of the US, in **2025** TRIPP becomes an institutional platform, which itself does not function in a relational level, but provides base for further cooperation. TRIPP therefore constitutes a cultivated Way Out within an institutional framework.

1921

The rise of
territorial
dispute

1994

Temporary
conflict
resolution after
states
independence

2020

Shift in power
asymmetry
between states

2023

Territorial dispute
resolution
through force
and displacement

2025

Emergence
of US-led
initiative:
TRIPP