

THE RULE OF LAW IN POST-CONFLICT CONTEXT AND THE REFORM OF THE AFGHAN JUDICIAL SYSTEM

This paper aims to examine the evolution of the concept of rule of law, within international organizations, with special emphasis to post-conflict contexts, and Afghan case. Starting from the assumption that the rule of law involves a set of complex reforms and institutional actions aimed at reconstruction of the political, legal, social and economic, the spectrum of analysis is confined to the consideration of different approaches taken by international organizations, with particular reference to the concept and doctrine of the United Nations in post-conflict situations, deepening, then, the case of judicial reform in Afghanistan. Finally, the article tackles to explore and analyze the key dimensions of formal and traditional systems of justice, investigating interaction between the two different system, in the effort to establish how the informal justice can play a crucial role in the stabilization and reconciliation process in conflict and postconflict societies, with special reference to the Afghan case.