

**Researching the Troubles:
Social Science Perspectives on the Northern Ireland Conflict**

Edited by Prof Owen Hargie and Dr David Dickson from the University of Ulster, this book brings together for the first time the findings of 14 of the most prestigious research projects into cross-community conflict and reconciliation. The book, and each of the projects described in the book, was funded by the Office of the First Minister and Deputy First Minister and its' fore-runner the Central Community Relations Unit.

The book's contributors are well-known academics from across the broad spectrum of the social sciences. Each chapter crystallizes the core import of their working illuminating the Northern Ireland situation, and draws wider implications for an understanding of conflict resolution processes. The lessons learned from each study are applicable across a wide range of contexts where internecine strife and inter-communal conflict exists.

The outcomes from the studies provide a breadth and depth of insight into the reasons for, effects of, and possible ways out of, cross-community conflict. Researching the Troubles makes a significant contribution to our understanding of conflict and how it can be resolved.

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