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"It would be appropriate to devote a specific time to concentrate the efforts of the United Nations and its Member States, as well as of the whole of mankind, to promoting the ideals of Peace and to giving positive evidence of their commitment to Peace in all viable ways."

~ UN Resolution that established the International Day of Peace

"On September 21, the International Day of Peace, I call on world leaders and peoples around the world to join forces against conflict, poverty and hunger, and for all human rights for all."

~UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon

EPS News

Please join us for *The Financial Crisis, the US Economy, and International Security in the New Administration*, a conference organized by Economists for Peace and Security, the Charles Leopold Mayer Foundation Initiative for Re-thinking the Economy and the Levy Economics Institute at the New School, New York, NY, Friday, November 14, 2008.

The current crisis of subprime mortgages, mortgage-backed securities, credit derivatives and failing investment banks is deeper and more severe than any since the New Deal. This is a crisis originating in the United States, from the center of the global system. Cascading problems emerge when the world loses confidence in the system that supports the valuation of the global reserve currency -- because of a perception of instability, mismanagement, and corruption, leading to a breakdown of regulatory authority and market order.

Minor remedies such as increasing transparency or introducing some regulations have been proposed, but they are plainly insufficient. This conference will consider the larger implications for U.S economic policy and for the international financial and monetary system (IFMS). It will take explicit account of the deep political nature of the IFMS and its effect on international security relations and peace in the world.

The conference will take up four specific themes: the nature of the current crisis, economic policy challenges facing the US, the design of a new domestic financial architecture, and the design of a new international financial architecture, if and as it becomes needed. This conference will bring together an exceptional international group of close observers of the financial system including James K. Galbraith, Joseph Stiglitz, Warren Mosler, Allen Sinai, Jeff Madrick and many others.

Pre-registration is requested. For more information or to register, please email theaharvey@epsusa.org.

You are cordially invited to a benefit for EPS

*Friday, November 14, 7:00pm
An evening with Joseph Stiglitz
at the Manhattan home of Alan Harper*

Suggested donation for this event, including wine and hors d'oeuvres, is \$250.

Please email Thea Harvey (theaharvey@epsusa.org) if you would like to attend.

*You are cordially invited to celebrate EPS's 20th Anniversary
Please join us for a dinner honoring our founding co-chairs, Lawrence Klein and Kenneth Arrow*

Sunday, January 4, 2009 in the San Francisco Hilton

Thanks to support from the One Earth Future Foundation we are able to offer tickets at a substantial discount.

Tickets are \$75; \$50 for EPS members who register before December 19; \$20 for students.

To register, please email Thea Harvey (theaharvey@epsusa.org)

EPS will host two sessions at the **Allied Social Sciences Associations (ASSA) meetings** January 3–5, 2009, in San Francisco:

Session One, Saturday, January 3 at 10:15am in the Hilton Union Square Rooms 15 and 16

Inequality: Economic, Fiscal and Financial, and Societal Dimensions

Presiding: Allen Sinai, Chief Global Economist, Decision Economics, Inc.

Presenters and papers:

- James K. Galbraith, Professor of Economics, Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Policy, University of Texas - Austin
Title: Inequality, Unemployment, and Growth
- Robert J. Gordon, Professor of Economics, Northwestern University and NBER
Title: Rising Inequality at the Bottom and Top
- Benjamin M. Friedman, William Joseph Maier Professor of Political Economy, Harvard University
Title: Widening Inequality: Implications for the Economy and Society
- David A. Smith, Chief Economist, House Financial Services Committee, House of Representatives, U.S. Congress
Title: Inequality and the Making of Monetary Policy

Discussants: Inequality, Fiscal and Financial Aspects, Policy Possibilities

- Allen Sinai, Decision Economics, Inc.
- Jeffrey Madrick, Challenge Magazine

Session Two, Sunday, January 4 at 2:30pm in the Hilton Union Square Rooms 15 and 16

Roundtable on **Global Security and the Global Financial System: The Challenges Ahead**

Presiding: Michael Intriligator, University of California at Los Angeles and Economists for Peace and Security

Presenters:

- Kenneth Arrow, Stanford University
- Lawrence Klein, University of Pennsylvania
- William Sharpe, Stanford University

- Michael Lind, New America Foundation
- Linda Bilmes, Harvard University

Please note: at the last ASSA meetings in New Orleans, conference rate hotel rooms sold out very early. The conference organizers have therefore asked that we forward this message: **favorable ASSA hotel rates are negotiated ONLY for those who register for the ASSA meetings.** Starting this year, you first must register for the meetings to qualify for the negotiated hotel rates. Once registered, you will receive an identification number that is required to gain access to hotel reservations. If you register online, you will get an email confirmation within minutes; it will contain the registration ID number. If you register by fax, you will get an email confirmation within 3 days. If you register by mail, you will get an email confirmation within 2 weeks. If you do not receive a confirmation within these time frames, contact ASSA staff at assa@vanderbilt.edu. **It is likely that the main conference hotel, the Hilton, is already sold out. Please register as soon as possible to book a hotel room near the conference.**

Registration and housing are available online at http://www.vanderbilt.edu/AEA/Annual_Meeting/index.htm

PLEASE ALSO NOTE: the 2009 ASSA Meetings are to be held Saturday through Monday.

- The **Annual joint meeting of the EPS Fellows and Board** will take place from 10:00am until 12:30pm Monday, January 5 in the Hilton Executive Board Room. This event is by invitation only. For more information, contact Thea Harvey (theaharvey@epsusa.org).

- The **Isaac Roet Prize** is an international essay contest about the promotion of world peace through economic interaction. Students from all economic faculties at universities around the globe are invited to participate and to write an essay on the theme of the essay competition's 2008 edition theme, *Resource access and world peace: policies to promote global stability in view of growing scarcity of non-renewable natural resources.*

A prize of €5,000 will be awarded for the best essay on this subject. Deadline for submissions is December 31, 2008. The maximum length of the essay is 10,000 words. Submitted essays must be unpublished. Only essays written in the English language may be submitted to the competition. The participant must not have passed his/her Master's degree (or the equivalent thereof) before January 1, 2008.

Details on the competition can be found on www.roetprize.org or www.peaceprize.org

- Call for Papers:** The 13th Annual International Conference on Economics and Security will take place June 24–26, 2009 at CITY College in Thessaloniki, Greece.

Offers of papers are invited for a conference sponsored by EPS-UK; EPS-Greece; the Business Administration and Economics Department, CITY College, an affiliated institution of the University of Sheffield; the University of the West of England; and SEERC (South East European Research Centre). The conference will have plenary sessions with keynote speakers, plus specialist workshop streams.

Proposed topics include:

- Security in the Balkan Region
- European Security
- Economics of Security
- Globalization and the restructuring of the MIC
- Militarism and development
- Security sector reform
- Economics of conflict and war
- Economics of post-conflict reconstruction
- Economics of arms procurement, trade and offsets
- Arms races and alliances
- Peace science
- Conversion and Demilitarization
- Economics of Terrorism

Offers of papers on other related topics are welcome. Please send a title and abstract as soon as possible and before March 15, 2009 to:

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A conference website will be shortly set up for further details regarding the conference.



“Symposium: Palestine - an economy in conflict.” Vol. 3, No. 2 of the Economics of Peace and Security Journal is *now available online*. Non-subscribers can access the abstracts and contents pages.

EPS members receive a **25% discount on the annual subscription** to the Economics of Peace and Security Journal. Regular one-year subscriptions are \$40 per year; for EPS members the one-year subscription is \$30.

The Journal is a peer-reviewed online publication hosted by EPS-UK. Published twice yearly, it raises and debates all issues related to the political economy of personal, communal, national, international, and global peace and security. Past contributors have included Joseph Stiglitz, James Galbraith, and Lawrence Klein. The Journal’s website also includes book reviews submitted by members and subscribers.

For more information or to subscribe to the Journal, please visit: <http://www.epsjournal.org.uk/>

To become a member of EPS (and to qualify for the subscription discount) please visit:
<http://www.epsusa.org/membership/membership.htm>

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Links



The latest issue of the Peace Economics, Peace Science and Public Policy electronic journal, edited by EPS members Walter Isard and Raul Caruso, is now available at <http://www.bepress.com/peps/>

Articles include:

- [A Dynamic Model of Insurgency: The Case of the War in Iraq](#)
Larry Blank, Carl E. Enomoto, Douglas Gegax, Thomas McGuckin, and Cade Simmons
- [Measuring the Effectiveness of Arms Embargoes](#)
Michael Brzoska
- [A Joint Virtual Advanced Technology Incubator - A New Pattern of Israeli-Palestinian Economic Cooperation](#)
Dafna Schwartz, Raphael Bar-El, and Miki Malul



In recent years, many US policymakers have grown hostile toward the United Nations. FCNL works to educate policymakers and the public on the need for an effective United Nations and constructive US engagement within the institution to address global challenges. In order to promote better US-UN relations, The Friends Committee on National Legislation (FCNL) has devised a short quiz. http://www.fcnl.org/issues/item.php?item_id=3392&issue_id=113

The FCNL website states, "Global problems require global responses. In an age where the challenges of politically motivated mass murders, global warming, disease, and weapons proliferation transcend borders, the world needs to work cooperatively. The United Nations is the only place where all countries and peoples of the world can come together to create comprehensive solutions to their problems and build a framework for a more peaceful and just world."

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☐ "Did you know that Democratic presidents are better for the economy than Republicans? ...Democratic presidents have consistently higher economic growth and consistently lower unemployment than Republican presidents. If you add in a time lag, you get the same result. If you eliminate the best and worst presidents, you get the same result. If you take a look at other economic indicators, you get the same result. There's just no way around it: Democratic administrations are better for the economy than Republican administrations."
http://www.washingtonmonthly.com/archives/individual/2005_05/006282.php

This article by Steven Benen in the Washington Monthly summarizes with charts and data a paper entitled *Partisan Politics and the US Income Distribution* by Larry M. Bartels of Princeton University's Department of Politics and Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs. The original paper can be read at
<http://www.princeton.edu/~bartels/income.pdf>

☐ The Center for Arms Control and Nonproliferation has produced a series of analyses on arms control and national security issues in the 2008 presidential race, including;

- [In a Nutshell: McCain vs. Obama on National Security](#)
- [Obama vs. McCain: A Side-By-Side Comparison on Arms Control](#)
- [Obama vs. McCain: Seven Areas of Agreement, and Six of Disagreement, on Nuclear Weapons](#)

☐ The Partnership for a Secure America (PSA), a bipartisan group of leading national security experts, recently released a *WMD Report Card* examining US Government programs to prevent nuclear, chemical, and biological terrorism. In 2005, the 9/11 Public Discourse Project found that the US Government had made “insufficient progress” on safeguarding the country against a WMD terrorist attack, giving these efforts a final grade of “D”. This report, on the eve of the seventh anniversary of the 9/11 attacks, gives the US Government a “C”. The report can be read at
<http://www.psaonline.org/article.php?id=403>

☐ In this video of an event sponsored by the National Endowment for Democracy *Leveraging Human Rights and Democratic Openings in North Korea*, Mr. David Hawk, former executive director of Amnesty International, examines the economic dimensions and incentives of the current negotiations with the DPRK and explores how human rights can be brought into the conversation. Dr. Marcus Noland and Dr. Nicolas Eberstadt offer comments.
<http://www.ned.org/events/events.html#July1508a>

☐ **Call for Papers:** Elsevier is seeking manuscripts for its *Building Insights; Breaking Boundaries initiative*.

The Editors-in-chief of Elsevier Journals are currently accepting manuscripts in all fields of human endeavor. Authors are invited to submit manuscripts reporting recent developments in their fields. Papers submitted will be sorted out and published in any of the numerous journals that best fit.

Elsevier will also organize seminars at strategic cities all over the world to showcase the research work gathered by this special publication procedure.

The submitted papers must be written in English and describe original research not published nor currently under review by other journals. All submitted papers, if relevant to the theme and objectives of the journal, will go through an external peer-review process. Submissions should include an abstract, 5–10 key words, the e-mail address of the corresponding author. The paper length should not exceed 30 double-spaced pages including figures and references on 8.5 by 11 inch paper using at least 11 point font. Authors should select a category designation for their manuscripts (article, short communication, review, etc.).

Papers should be submitted electronically via email in Microsoft Word or PDF attachments; and should include a cover sheet containing corresponding author's name, paper title, affiliation, mailing address, phone, fax number, email address etc.

Would-be authors should send their manuscript to: elsevierpublishers@live.co.uk

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In memory of Kenneth J. Koford, editor of the *Eastern Economic Journal* from 1999–2004, the Eastern Economic Association has established a **prize to help junior foreign scholars to attend the annual EEA meetings and to present a paper**. The next EEA conference will be held February 27–March 1, 2009, at the Sheraton New York Hotel and Towers in New York City. The winner of the Koford Prize will receive \$1000 towards travel, registration, and accommodations at the conference.

The objective of the Koford Prize is to assist junior economists with completed PhD who have not yet been considered for tenure, and who are not citizens of the US.

To apply, please send a cover letter, vita, and manuscript to Alexandra Bernasek, Department of Economics, Colorado State University at Alexandra.bernasek@colostate.edu. Please include contact information, an abstract, and three JEL codes with your paper. The maximum paper length is 10,000 words. **The deadline for paper submissions is December 15, 2008.**

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The American Council of Learned Societies (ACLS) invites applications for the eighth annual competition for the **Charles A. Ryskamp Research Fellowships**, generously funded by The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation in honor of Charles A. Ryskamp, literary scholar, distinguished library and museum director, and long-serving trustee of the Foundation. These fellowships support advanced assistant professors and untenured associate professors in the humanities and related social sciences whose scholarly contributions have advanced their fields and who have well-designed and carefully developed plans for new research. The fellowships are intended to provide time and resources to enable these faculty members to conduct their research under optimal conditions. The ultimate goal of the project should be a major piece of scholarly work by the applicant.

Funding: ACLS will award up to 12 Ryskamp Fellowships in the 2008–2009 competition. Each fellowship carries a stipend of \$64,000, a fund of \$2,500 for research and travel, and an additional 2/9 of the stipend (\$14,222) for one summer's support, if justified by a persuasive case.

The deadline for applications is October 2, 2008. More information can be found at <http://www.acls.org/grants/Default.aspx?id=408>

The New Ideas Fund is seeking to support individuals to generate and develop new ideas in the fields of foreign policy and national security. NIF projects should result in a policy brief or a “white-paper” style report detailing the author's new vision for American foreign policy. The New Ideas Fund will also consider publicizing already published material.

NIF funds ambitious projects that promise to shift foreign policy and national security debates in new, progressive directions. When submitting a project proposal, prospective grantees should explain the focus of their project, its significance to the foreign policy and national security disciplines, how it differs from past approaches, and its potential to effect progressive change either in the near future or in the long term.

Grants are available in the \$5,000 to \$25,000 range. For more information visit <http://www.newideasfund.org/>

The peer-reviewed journal *Global Change, Peace and Security* announces **the 2008 Routledge-GCP&S Essay competition**. The editors invite entries from students and eligible early career academics that explore aspects of political, economic, and cultural life as these impact on relations across national borders. The winner will be awarded \$US500, a

certificate from the publisher, and consideration of the entry for publication in their journal. Essays submitted should be 6000–8000 words in length.

The competition is open to those enrolled in an undergraduate or postgraduate degree, or who have graduated within the previous four years. Previously published research articles, or those that are being considered for publication, will not be acceptable. Essays currently being assessed as part of a degree will also not be accepted.

The style must conform strictly to the guidelines set out on the journal's website and be accompanied by the author's name, their contact details, and details of their institutional affiliation if applicable. For guidelines refer to <http://www.tandf.co.uk/journals/authors/cparauth.asp>.

Please send entries (in English and as email attachments only) to gcps@latrobe.edu.au by no later than Friday, November 7, 2008.

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Food for Thought



The New America Foundation recently announced a new Big Ideas series. The series was launched with the release of a paper entitled *An Economic Recovery Program for the Post-Bubble Economy* by Bernard L. Schwartz and Sherle R. Schwenninger.

The introduction begins, "The American economy is in trouble. Battered and bruised by the collapsing housing and credit bubbles, and by high oil and food prices, it is having trouble finding its footing. The stimulus medicine the Federal Reserve and Congress administered earlier this year is already wearing off, while home prices are still falling and unemployment continues to creep upward. By the time a new president is sworn in, there is a good chance the economy will have stalled again, and the hope for a relatively quick rebound will have given way to the fear of a protracted slowdown.

"The next administration must therefore have a second dose of medicine ready that is stronger, more enduring, and different in kind from the first stimulus program of tax rebates and tax cuts for business. Tax rebates may have been appropriate for an economy entering a standard cyclical downturn. But this is clearly not a normal business recession. It is a post-bubble slowdown involving a painful de-leveraging of America's household and financial sectors. This means that consumers and housing will be struggling for some time, and that new sources of growth are needed.

"A longer-term economic recovery program must therefore steer the economy onto a new growth path that is less dependent on the debt-financed consumption that has driven economic growth over the past decade. The most promising new sources of growth are America's enormous public infrastructure needs and the increased global demand for American technology created by the drive for greater efficiency in economies around the world. An economic recovery program built around public infrastructure investment and demand for American technology would be more effective in stimulating the economy in the short term, and far better for it in the long run, than would another round of tax rebates for American consumers."

Read the paper or view a video synopsis of the program the authors outline at http://www.newamerica.net/publications/special/economic_recovery_program_post_bubble_economy_7634



Reuben E. Brigety II of the Center for American Progress joins the Connect US Fund's ongoing conversation about foreign policy priorities for the next president with a call for the US to adopt a new worldview, one that recognizes that improving the lives of other people around the world is a critical security concern for the United States.

"Regardless of who wins the Presidential election in November, America will face challenges around the world that are arguably unprecedented in their complexity and scope. The list of urgent issues is well known – two active wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, the quest for peace between Israelis and Palestinians, the threat of a nuclear-armed Iran, resurgent powers in China and Russia, a weakened US dollar, the need for energy independence, and the effects of climate change, just to name a few.

"A common thread connecting all of these problems is that they cannot be solved with the approaches that have dominated US foreign policy for the last eight years... Our country needs more than new policies to confront the foreign policy challenges of the next decade. It needs a new worldview. It needs a framework for understanding the limits of unilateralism and military might, and the potential in cooperation and non-military methods of influence.

"At the Center for American Progress, we have advanced an idea called 'Sustainable Security.' An amalgamation of national security, collective security and human security, the Sustainable Security paradigm recognizes the importance of improving the lives of other people around the world as a critical security concerns for the United States."

<http://www.connectusfund.org/blogs/reuben-brigetys-priorities-next-president-sustainable-security>

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EPS Publications and Resources

- Member Susan Edelman has written an article for EPS reviewing *The Numbers, Just the Numbers: GWOT and the Requests for Supplemental Appropriations*. In it she discusses the atypical use of supplemental appropriations in the Global War on Terror as compared to past wars. She also details the actual outlays for each year since fiscal year 2001.
<http://www.epsusa.org/main/articles/edelman.htm>
- Proceedings from the EPS conference *War and Poverty, Peace and Prosperity***, held May 30–June 1, 2007 in Annandale-on-Hudson, NY, are available in hard copy or [PDF](#). [Audio and transcripts](#) of each session are also posted on our website. To request a hard copy, please email Thea Harvey at theaharvey@epsusa.org.
- “Arms, War and Terrorism in the Global Economy Today: Economic Analyses and Civilian Alternatives”** is a volume published by Bremer Schriften zur Konversion that presents papers of two joint seminars of EPS and the European Association for Evolutionary Political Economy (EAEPE) which took place in Rethymon, Crete, Greece, complemented by papers from the Second International Conference on Defense, Security, and Economic Development held in Larissa, Greece in 2004.

Contributing authors include Michael Intriligator, Fannie Coulomb, Jacques Fontanel, Jurgen Brauer, Gulay Gunluk-Senesen, J. Paul Dunne, Luc Mampaey, Claude Serfati, Christos Kollias, Clark Abt, and Lucy Law Webster, as well as many other notable economists.

The book is available from the publishers, LIT Verlag, for €24.90 at <http://www.lit-verlag.de/isbn/3-8258-0045-1>.
- Fact Sheets:** Periodically, we release two-sided fact sheets designed to give an accessible, graphic look at one specific issue of concern to our members and constituency.

Global Arms Trade 2004 examines the world’s supplies of conventional weapons and small arms.
<http://www.epsusa.org/publications/factsheets/globalarmstrade.pdf>

Military vs. Social Spending: Warfare or Human Welfare compares US and global military spending with the costs of achieving the UN Millennium Development Goals. <http://www.epsusa.org/publications/factsheets/milexMDG.pdf>
- Conflict or Development?** This book has a regional focus on Africa, the site of most of the world’s current armed conflicts. In its pages some of the leading economists of the day analyze and reflect on the relationships among military spending, domestic and foreign policy, security, and human welfare. Features include country studies, sections on business and conflict, and “Trends in World Military Expenditure.” Written in a general-interest style, with informative maps, tables, and graphs, the series is designed to inform the debate among policymakers, activists, journalists, academics, students, and citizens worldwide.

You can order *Conflict or Development* by emailing theaharvey@epsusa.org.

Conflict or Development is also a valuable resource in teaching economics, political science, and international relations courses. To review a copy for use in your syllabus, email Thea Harvey at theaharvey@epsusa.org.
- The Full Cost of Ballistic Missile Defense.** This study estimates that the total life cycle cost for a layered missile defense system could reach \$1.2 trillion through 2035. You can download the PDF file from

<http://www.epsusa.org/publications/papers/bmd/bmd.pdf>, or order a copy of the report from the cosponsor of the study at <http://www.armscontrolcenter.org/nmd/fullcost.html>.



Data Resource webpage offers links to data sources for:

- International military expenditure and conflict indicators
- US military expenditure and capabilities
- Western Europe
- Russia

<http://www.epsusa.org/network/data.htm>. If you know of a data source that you feel should be added to our list, please contact Thea Harvey at theaharvey@epsusa.org.

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Action Corner



Congress will soon consider energy legislation. Tax credits for investments in renewables have not been extended, and the growing renewables business that just made America the largest producer of wind power in the world, is on the verge of shutting down huge planned projects all over the country. Billions in private investment, thousands of megawatts of new, clean energy, and more than 100,000 new jobs expected for 2009 will be lost.

We face a stark choice: subsidize old, dirty energy or invest in new, clean energy. This should be easy, but the influence of the oil lobby is deep -- they've already spent more than \$100 million in lobbying and advertising this year.

To call your representative and ask him or her to **renew the tax incentives for wind and solar energy investments**, protect more than 100,000 jobs, boost the economy, improve national security and reduce global warming pollution visit: <http://www.wecansolveit.org/page/s/CallTrackRepower>



Want to get the word out on the topic that matters most to you? With a letter to your local paper, you can help bring your message not only to your neighbors, but directly to the offices of your Members of Congress as well, where staffers and our lawmakers themselves follow opinions from home with an especially watchful eye.

The ACLU has a **tool that helps write and send letters to local papers**. Available are a list of media outlets by state, tips on how to write a letter in your own words, plus talking points for the listed topics.

http://action.aclu.org/site/PageServer?pagename=LTE_SOTU_2007&JServSessionIdr001=3bu49o8t91.app20a



Do you have a foreign policy alternative that should be heard in the halls of government? Citizens for Global Solutions provides an easy-to-use tool to find the foreign policy staffer for your Member of Congress. Click here to access the Foreign Policy Staffer Locator: <http://globalsolutions.org/hill/fpstaff>.



If you would like to post an EPS flyer on a departmental bulletin board or similar venue, please contact Thea Harvey at theaharvey@epsusa.org.

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Upcoming Events



September 19, 2008. **The Study Group on the Economics of Security: Emerging Security Issues series** presents Patricia DeGennaro discussing a new strategic direction for the State and security. Dr. DeGennaro has recently returned from working with the Office of the President of Afghanistan, and is a Senior Research Fellow for the Queens University's Center for the Study of Democracy in Canada and an Adjunct Assistant Professor at New York University's Center for Global Affairs where she teaches courses on US Foreign Policy, Military Affairs, National Security Policy, and the War on

Terrorism. The group will meet at 2:00pm in room 510 at 66 West 12th Street, New York, NY. Please RSVP to econsecurity@newschool.edu

September 21, 2008. The Peace task Force and UU-United Nations Office Group invite you to a special observance and celebration of **The 2008 International Day of Peace** with Ambassador A. K. Chowdhury former UN Under-Secretary-General followed by a screening of *The Day After Peace* Jeremy Gilley's acclaimed documentary about his ten-year campaign to establish **September 21** as a day of global cease-fire, non-violence, and humanitarian action from 1:00–3:00pm at Reidy Friendship Hall, All Souls Unitarian Church, 1157 Lexington Avenue at 80th Street, New York, NY.

For more information, go to www.peaceday.org or contact Susan Cushman profsuze@verizon.net or Peggy Montgomery peggydm@rcn.com

October 27–29, 2008. An international forum, *Confronting Biological Threats: Biosecurity, Biological Weapons Nonproliferation, and Regional Cooperative Mechanisms* will be held in Amman, Jordan. The event brings together academic experts and practitioners from governments, inter-governmental organizations, academic institutions, civil society and the private sector. The conference is organized by the Arab Institute for Security Studies. More information at <http://www.acsis.org/announcements.asp>

November 14, 2008. *The Financial Crisis, the US Economy, and International Security in the New Administration*, a conference organized by Economists for Peace and Security, the Institute for Re-thinking the Economy, and the Levy Economics Institute, at the New School in New York, NY. See <http://www.epsusa.org/events/08conf/program.htm> for more information.

November 14, 2008. A benefit evening for EPS with Joseph Stiglitz at the Manhattan home of Alan Harper. See [above](#) for more details.

January 3–5, 2009. **Allied Social Sciences Associations/American Economics Association meetings** in San Francisco, California. **Please note the meetings are Saturday through Monday this year.** EPS is organizing two sessions: "Inequality: Economic, Fiscal and Financial, and Societal Dimensions" and "Global Security and the Global Financial System: The Challenges Ahead." To celebrate our twentieth year at the ASSA meetings, the EPS dinner will honor our two founding co-chairs: Kenneth Arrow and Lawrence Klein. See [above](#) for more details.

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How Can I Help?

Become a member of EPS. Your annual membership entitles you to discounts on publications, invitations to events, our informative newsletters, and more. Most importantly, by joining us you help to ensure that reasoned perspectives on essential economic issues will continue to be heard. Membership dues and other donations are fully tax-deductible. Visit <http://www.epsusa.org/membership/membership.htm> for more information.

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