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Hungry people cannot be good at learning or producing anything, except perhaps violence.

~*Pearl Bailey*


EPS News

 EPS will host a screening of the award-winning film ***Soldiers of Peace*** on Tuesday, August 18 at 7:00pm at the historic Rosendale Theatre at 330 Main Street. in Rosendale, NY. Following the film there will be a question and answer session with James K. Galbraith who is interviewed extensively in the film.

The film, narrated by Michael Douglas, presents the stories of fourteen initiatives around the world working to build peace in war-torn regions, and features interviews with Sir Bob Geldof, Sir Richard Branson, Archbishop Desmond Tutu, Gareth Evans, James Galbraith, HH Prince Hassan of Jordan, and Hans Blix.

Suggested donation is \$20. For more information, please email Ellie Warren at elliewarren@epsusa.org.

More information about the film can be found at <http://www.soldiersofpeacemovie.com/about/synopsis.php>


 The Faculty of Economics and Business of the University of Amsterdam and the Flemish/Dutch chapter of Economists for Peace and Security (EPS) are honored to **announce the winners of the 2008 Isaac Roet Prize**. EPS congratulates Ms. Marijke Geerts, Universidad Torcuato Di Tella, Buenos Aires, Argentina and Mr. Paul Duffill, The University of Sydney, Australia for their winning essays. The topic of this seventh edition of the Prize was **Resource Access and World Peace: Policies to Promote Global Stability in View of Growing Scarcity of Non-renewable Natural Resources**.

The members of the jury of the 2008 Isaac Roet Prize are:

- Jurgen Brauer, Director of EPS and professor at Augusta State University;


- James K. Galbraith, Director of EPS and professor at University of Texas;
- Cor A.J. Herkströter, professor at University of Amsterdam and former CEO of the Royal Dutch/Shell Group of Companies;
- Henk Jager, professor at University of Amsterdam;
- Haim Roet, Secretary-General of the Israeli Foundation for Quality Management;
- Joseph E. Stiglitz, Professor at Columbia University, Nobel Laureate and Trustee of EPS.

The prize of Euro 5,000 will be shared by the two winners. More information about the prize and judging can be found at <http://www.epseu.org/isaacroetprize/competition2008.html>

 *The Global Peace Index 2009* was released in early June. The report this year includes research and analyses from EPS on the economic value of peace (starting on page 30 of the discussion paper). In this, its third year of publication, the Index reports New Zealand and the Scandinavian countries again rank as the most peaceful nations and Iraq and Sudan are at the bottom of the list.

<http://www.visionofhumanity.org/gpi/results/rankings.php>

<http://www.visionofhumanity.org/images/content/GPI-2009/2009-GPI-DiscussionPaper-20090525.pdf>

 *Volume 4, No. 1 of the Economics of Peace and Security Journal is now available online.* Non-subscribers can access the abstracts and contents pages. This issue contains symposia on defense innovation and the economics of conflict with contributions by:

- Renaud Bellais on defense innovation and venture capital
- Sylvain Daffix and Yves Jacquin on European defense R&D and national R&D systems
- Peter Hall and Andrew James on industry structure and innovation in the British defense sector
- Philip Verwimp introduces the symposium articles
- S. Mansoob Murshed on greed, grievance, and social contract
- M. Zulfan Tadjoeddin and Anis Chowdhury on violence in Indonesia
- Ana María Ibáñez on forced displacement in Colombia
- Steven Spittaels and Filip Hilgert on conflict mapping in the Congo

And articles by:

- Christopher E.S. Warburton on war and exchange rate valuation
- Steve Chan on the democratic peace proposition
- Steve Townsend on Thomas Friedman's First Law of Petropolitics
- Ronen Bar-El, Kobi Kagan, and Asher Tishler on military planning

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 about the Journal or to subscribe, visit <http://www.epsjournal.org.uk/>.

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The Working Group on Violent Conflict & Economic Institutions is a joint project of the [Center for International Studies](#) and the [International Development Group](#) at MIT.

The VC&EI Working Group seeks to make important progress toward better understanding those organizations and institutions (broadly defined) that arise in, adapt to, and allow individuals to cope with violent conflict. These institutions form the substrate of the wartime and postwar economy, and underpin the transition from the former to the latter.

The Group focuses on five broad areas of interest:

1. Firm organizational dynamics
2. Distribution networks
3. Urban spatial & economic structures
4. Formal & informal regulatory institutions
5. Property rights & civilian livelihoods.

The Group's working papers, recorded talks, and upcoming events calendar can be found at <http://stellar.mit.edu/S/project/conflictstudies/index.html>

IPS (Inter Press Agency <http://www.ipsnews.net/>) brings you independent news and views on nuclear abolition. The latest issue of their newsletter, *Beyond Nuclear Nonproliferation*, includes these articles:

- *Disarmament More Urgent Than Ever* By Mikhail Gorbachev
- *FRANCE: Ambiguous on Nuclear Disarmament* By Alecia D. McKenzie
- *GERMANY: Have no Nuclear Weapons, Just Share Them* By Wolfgang Kerler
- *INDIA: Opposition to 'Nuclearism' Builds Up* By Ranjit Devraj

http://www.nuclearabolition.net/documents/Newsletter_BEYOND_NUCLEAR_NON-PROLIFERATION_Number_03.pdf

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In Other News

[Peace Economics, Peace Science and Public Policy](#) has released a special issue on the topic of **The Economic Impacts of the September 11, 2001 Terrorist Attacks**. This volume contains eight studies that provide a definitive range of estimates of the economic impacts of 9/11. The collection of papers represent the outcome of a collaborative and iterative research process known as the CREATE Economic Impact Modeling Forum (EIMF). Special editors for the issue are Adam Rose, University of Southern California and S. Brock Blomberg, Claremont McKenna College. Table of contents and links to the papers at <http://www.bepress.com/peps/vol15/iss2/>

Call for papers: [The Network for the Economic Analysis of Terrorism \(NEAT\)](#) is currently accepting the submission of papers for its fourth workshop, which will be held in Brussels at the European Commission on Monday, October 19, 2009. Papers that evaluate policies or contribute to the measurement of terrorism will receive special consideration, but all papers relevant to the economics of security will be eligible. To download the call, please visit http://www.economics-of-security.eu/sites/default/files/NEAT_WS4_Call_for_Papers_0.pdf.

Call for papers: Eurasian Peace Science Conference, January 8 – 9, 2010 at Koc University, Istanbul, Turkey. The Conference's goal is to broaden cooperation among Eurasian and Middle Eastern peace science scholars and seeks to bring together research on conflict and peace-related topics from throughout the world.

All aspects of the peace science field are welcome including in particular: (a) empirical studies of political violence and peaceful resolution, (b) quantitative and formal analyses of conflict and peace processes, (c) peace science

methodology and theory, (d) alliances, investment, trade, and conflict, (e) economic and political causes of war and terrorism, (f) contemporary regional conflicts in Eurasia and Middle East, (g) security and foreign policy, and (h) conflict analysis and management.


All submissions with tentative titles, abstracts (150-300 words) and contact information for authors should be sent to Eurasiaps@ku.edu.tr. All submissions before July 15, 2009 will be considered for the conference. Proposals after that date will only be considered if there are presentation slots available.

Call for papers: *Climate Change, Social Stress and Violent Conflict State of the Art and Research Needs International Conference*, November 19 – 20, 2009 in Hamburg, Germany. Possible topics include:

- Empirical basis of linkages between environmental stress and violent conflict, revisiting the debate on violent reactions to resource scarcity
- Empirical basis of past climate change and prediction of climate futures, in the context of potential effects on humans that might possibly cause conflicts, in particular water and food scarcity, migration, disasters
- Conceptual approaches and contributions of academic disciplines to understanding causal effects, cascading potential and tipping points in climate-security interactions
- Impacts and conflicts associated with response strategies to address climate change, such as nuclear power, bioenergy, geo-engineering, disaster management.
- Security concepts and their relations to climate change and violent conflict, connecting to the “securitization” discourse
- Regional case studies of climate-induced security risks and conflicts: Sahel zone and Darfur, Middle East, Southern Asia, Central Asia, Latin America, Mediterranean, Arctic
- Mechanisms and institutions for addressing climate security challenges and opportunities for strengthening international cooperation and peace.

Abstracts should be sent by August 31 to ClimateSecurity@uni-hamburg.de


For more information please contact Prof. Dr. Jürgen Scheffran, Research Group Climate Change and Security, KlimaCampus, Universität at juergen.scheffran@zmaw.de.


 **Request for submissions:** Peace Economics, Peace Science and Public Policy, a journal founded by Walter Isard and published by Bepress, is launching a new policy. In order to improve scientific communication within the field of Peace Science and Peace Economics, PEPS will publish “Letters” to provide accounts of new original research. Letters will not normally exceed 2,000 words in length, exclusive of equations, graphs, and figures. Letters can be either theoretical or applied, and will be subject to the peer-review process. In order to make a decision in a short time, reviewers will be asked to give only an “accept/reject” evaluation. Only minor revisions will be allowed.

For more information, please visit www.bepress.com/peps

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Funding and Employment Opportunities

 Focus the Nation is pleased to announce the second year of The Focus Roots Fellowships: ***Coal and the Road to Copenhagen***. This summer, with support from Nike, Climate Ride, Youth Noise and the Danish Embassy, Focus the Nation will select two Fellows and award one \$10,000 grant in each of two action categories, Sport and Art, to community activists between the ages of 18 and 29. The two Fellows will receive financial and operational support from Focus the Nation to launch and implement their idea between the months of August and December 2009. Deadline for applications is July 15. For more information, please see <http://www.focusthenation.org/roots>

 **The Paul and Daisy Soros Fellowships for New Americans** provide opportunities for continuing generations of able and accomplished New Americans to achieve leadership in their chosen fields. The fellowships are grants for up to two years of graduate study in the United States. A fellow may pursue a graduate degree in any professional field (e.g., engineering, medicine, law, social work) or scholarly discipline in the humanities, social sciences, and

sciences. Under the terms of the program, a "New American" is an individual who 1) is a resident alien (i.e., holds a Green Card); or 2) has been naturalized as a US citizen; or 3) is the child of two parents who are both naturalized citizens. Each year the Fellow receives a maintenance grant of \$20,000 (paid in two installments) and a tuition grant of one-half the tuition cost of the US graduate program attended by the Fellow (up to a maximum of \$16,000 per academic year).

Visit the program's Web site for complete guidelines. <http://www.pdsoros.org/>

Fulbright Scholar Program for US Faculty and Professionals for 2010–2011 is open. The Fulbright Scholar Program offers 105 awards in lecturing, research or combined lecturing/research in economics, including seven Fulbright Distinguished Chairs and the Middle East and North Africa Regional Research Program. Faculty and professionals in economics also can apply for one of the 144/All Discipline awards open to all fields.

The application deadline is August 1, 2009. US citizenship is required. For a full listing of all Fulbright programs and other eligibility requirements, please visit our website at www.cies.org or send a request for materials to <mailto:scholars@cies.iie.org>. For a detailed listing of Fulbright opportunities in economics, please consult our website at: < http://www.cies.org/award_book/award2010/discipline/ECON18.htm

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EPS Publications and Resources

The Financial Crisis, the US Economy, and International Security in the New Administration was held at the Schwartz Center for Economic Policy Analysis, New School University, New York, New York on Friday, November 14, 2008. The conference was organized by Economists for Peace and Security, the Charles Leopold Mayer Foundation Initiative for Re-thinking the Economy, and the Levy Economics Institute of Bard College. To see the **video and transcripts from the conference** visit <http://www.epsusa.org/events/08conf/program.htm>.

The Initiative for Re-thinking the Economy also has a webpage devoted the conference at <http://www2.i-r-e.org/spip.php?article51>.

Space, Security and the Economy, a report on the Bush Administration's outer space policy, warns that the present policy of space dominance could transform outer space into a military battleground.

Official US policy asserts the right to deny any nation access to space if its actions are "perceived" to be hostile. This policy, together with other actions such as withdrawal from the ABM treaty and the ongoing development of weapons intended to attack objects in space, could lead to the deployment of weapons in space. If the US stations weapons in space other nations are likely to do the same, and we will be faced with an arms race in space.

The report concludes that no one can prevail, and all stand to lose, in an arms race in space. Among other consequences would be negative effects on the growing scientific and commercial uses of space, and on the economy. In particular, private investors would be unlikely to place additional resources at risk in a vulnerable area of potential military conflict.

The report calls for changes in the policy of space dominance, greater transparency in military space spending, and detailed information about government and commercial space activities.

To view a PDF of the report, visit <http://www.epsusa.org/publications/papers/spacesecurity.pdf>.

To request a hard copy, please email Thea Harvey theaharvey@epsusa.org.

Read YubaNet's blog about the report: <http://yubanet.com/usa/Report-Economic-Impact-of-Arms-Race-in-Space.php>.

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. It presents papers of two joint seminars of EPS and the European Association for Evolutionary Political Economy (EAEPE), which took place in Rethymon, Crete, Greece, as well as papers from the 2004 Second International Conference on Defense, Security, and Economic Development held in Larissa, Greece.

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 <mailto:%20theaharvey@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 <mailto:theaharvey@epsusa.org>.

Action Corner



EPS members are invited to the **Green Economist Directory**.

Never has there been a greater need for innovative thinking about economics and the environment. Economics for Equity and the Environment Network (E3) is looking to engage more economists who subscribe to a vision of an engaged, practical economics, in which an understanding of social equity and environmental protection cannot be separated.

The goal of E3 Network is to develop new applied arguments for environmental protection and to involve our economists more actively in public policy. Their economists engage in innovative research, publish in top journals and newspapers, testify before Congress, participate in press conferences, and consult with decision makers and NGOs on either a fee or pro bono basis.

If you are interested in joining over a hundred other economists across the country in these efforts, please sign up for the Green Economist Directory at www.e3network.org/gdreg.php. Signing up doesn't commit you to anything and your contact information will never be shared with anyone without your permission. Any questions, please contact Kristen Sheeran, E3 Director, at director@e3network.org.

For more information about E3's programs for economists and graduate students, please visit our website at <http://www.e3network.org/>.



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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 <mailto:%20theaharvey@epsusa.org>.

Upcoming Events



July 23 – 25, 2009. **European Peace Architecture: Integration, Cooperation and Engagement**, the 6th EuPRA bi-annual Congress, will take place in Tirana, Albania. The conference is sponsored by the European Peace Research Association (EuPRA), the European affiliate of International Peace Research Association (IPRA) in cooperation with Faculty of Social Sciences, European University of Tirana, Albania. For more information email eupra2009@gmail.com.



July 26 – 31, 2009. **Economic Crisis, War and the Rise of the State**, Cato University 2009 in San Diego, California. More information at Allison Horton at <http://www.cato-university.org/>.



August 7 – 10, 2009. **7th General Conference** of Mayors for Peace in Nagasaki, Japan. Registration and travel information at <https://apollon.nta.co.jp/peace07e/>.

September 7 – 9, 2009. **Conflict and Complexity II: an international interdisciplinary conference** University of Kent, Canterbury, UK. More information at <http://kn.open.ac.uk/public/getfile.cfm?documentfileid=15245>.

September 9 - 11, 2009. **62nd Annual DPI/NGO Conference** is being held in Mexico City under the banner “For Peace and Development: Disarm Now!” Registration is now open online at <http://www.un.org/dpi/ngosection/conference/>

October 19, 2009. The **Network for the Economic Analysis of Terrorism (NEAT)** sponsors its fourth workshop in Brussels, Belgium. Papers that evaluate policies, contribute to the measurement of terrorism, and address aspects of the economics of security will be presented. Call for papers at http://www.economics-of-security.eu/sites/default/files/NEAT_WS4_Call_for_Papers_0.pdf

November 6 – 8, 2009. European Association for Evolutionary and Political Economy (EAPEE) will hold its annual conference in Amsterdam, Netherlands. The theme of this year's conference is **Institutional Solutions for Economic Recovery**. More information at <http://eaepe.org/>.

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January 8 – 10, 2010. An international **Meeting on Conflict Management, Peace Economics and Peace Science** will be held at Indira Gandhi National Open University, New Delhi, India. If interested in participating please contact Manas Chatterji, mchatter@binghamton.edu, as soon as possible.

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