

# ECONOMISTS for PEACE & SECURITY

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The good we secure for ourselves is precarious and uncertain until it is secured for all of us and incorporated into our common life.

*~Jane Addams*

## EPS News

- The Board and Trustees of Economists for Peace and Security mourn the [passing of our friend Walter Isard](#), a pioneer of Peace Economics and tireless champion of the path of non-violence and armaments reduction.**  
**There will be a memorial session at the AEA meetings in Denver: 10:15am on Saturday, January 8.**
- There are still seats available for the EPS annual dinner, please join us!**  
This year EPS will host our dinner in honor of **Thomas Schelling** Saturday, January 8, 6:30 to 10:00pm, Sheraton, Majestic Ballroom For more information or to register for the dinner, contact [TheaHarvey@epsusa.org](mailto:TheaHarvey@epsusa.org).
- EPS will host two sessions at the Annual Meetings of the Allied Social Sciences Associations/American Economics Association in Denver, Colorado.**


Session 1: Friday, January 7, 2011 2:30pm, Sheraton, Plaza Court  
***Pressures on the Paradigm*** (Panel Discussion)


Panel Moderator: James Galbraith (University of Texas, Austin)  
Marshall Auerback (Madison Street Partners LLC)  
Robert Johnson (Institute for New Economic Thinking)  
William K. Black (University of Missouri, Kansas City)  
L. Randall Wray (University of Missouri, Kansas City)

Session 2: Saturday, January 8, 2011 2:30pm, Sheraton, Majestic Ballroom  
***Afghanistan - Costs and Exit Strategies*** (Panel Discussion)


Panel Moderator: Michael Intriligator (University of California, Los Angeles)  
Thomas Schelling (University of Maryland)  
Roger Myerson (University of Chicago)  
Linda Bilmes (Harvard University)  
Lloyd J. Dumas (University of Texas, Dallas)

More information about the ASSA/AEA meetings is at  
[http://www.vanderbilt.edu/AEA/Annual\\_Meeting/index.htm](http://www.vanderbilt.edu/AEA/Annual_Meeting/index.htm).


 **EPS members are invited to the Union of Concerned Scientists' reception** at the AEA/ASSA conference in Denver, on Friday, January 7th, 2011, from 6:30 - 8:00pm in Room Agate B of the Hyatt-Regency Hotel. Lord Nicholas Stern will speak on "Opportunities in Clean Energy Technology." The event is free of charge, and hors d'oeuvres, beer, wine and soft drinks will be served.

 ***Casting Light on "The Moment of Truth"*** by James K. Galbraith in *The Huffington Post*, December 3, 2010. EPS Chair James K. Galbraith responds to the economic argument in the Bowles-Simpson commission report.


To read the response, see <http://www.huffingtonpost.com/james-k-galbraith/casting-light-on-the-moment-b-791540.html>.

 **EPS is pleased to announce the addition of a new affiliate in Egypt to our international network.** EPS Egypt's network of scholars is engaged on issues related to peace economics and security in the Middle East and Africa. EPS Egypt aims to engage and educate policy makers and citizens that nuclear and other weapons represent a threat to mankind. The EPS Egypt chapter will elevate the discussion on the disarmament, peace and security as quintessential elements to our progress as human family.


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 **Fifteenth Annual Conference on Economics and Security** will be held in Bristol, UK June 16 – 17, 2011, hosted by Economists for Peace and Security (UK), UWE, Bristol and Bristol University. If you would like to present a paper, please send a title and an abstract of less than 300 words as soon as possible. Both should be sent before April 1, 2011 to [John2.Dunne@uwe.ac.uk](mailto:John2.Dunne@uwe.ac.uk).

For more information, visit <http://carecon.org.uk/Conferences/Conf2011>  
or contact J. Paul Dunne [John2.Dunne@uwe.ac.uk](mailto:John2.Dunne@uwe.ac.uk).


 Video of our latest **Bernard Schwartz Symposium - A Strategic Policy: Investment, Social Security and Economic Recovery** - is available on the EPS website. This public symposium was held Friday, October 1, 2010, at the Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center, Washington DC.

For more information and to view the symposium, visit <http://www.epsusa.org/events/1010conf/ssprogram.htm>

 **EPS raised \$65 this year with GoodSearch.** The more you use GoodSearch the more money you can raise for EPS, just by searching the internet or shopping online - at no cost to you. With every search you do, EPS receives a penny; when everyone uses it, the pennies add up. <http://www.goodsearch.com/about.aspx>.

 **Please make every gift count this holiday season.** At Goodshop.com, you can find coupons for more than 1,600 top stores (including Amazon, Macy's, J.Crew, Toys R Us, Best Buy, Gap and more), and a percentage of virtually every sale will be donated to EPS. Visit [www.goodshop.com](http://www.goodshop.com) today.


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 EPS now has a group page on **LinkedIn**. If this is your preferred social network, check in with us at [http://www.linkedin.com/groups?gid=2009987&trk=anetsrch\\_name&goback=.gdr\\_1263369639671\\_1](http://www.linkedin.com/groups?gid=2009987&trk=anetsrch_name&goback=.gdr_1263369639671_1)


 Join us on **Facebook**. Become a fan and keep up with our latest activities and upcoming events at <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Economists-for-Peace-and-Security/114370951337>.

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## Links

 **The Institute of Economics & Peace Teacher Guides for Peace Education**  
*The Building Blocks of Peace* is composed of four thematic modules on global peace. Downloadable in PDF format, the guide comes complete with teacher notes, lesson plans, student handouts, assessment suggestions and extension activities. It includes a module on the economics of peace which examines the benefits of peace to business and the economy through an exploration of tourism and retail industries.

For more information, visit <http://www.economicsandpeace.org/Education/TeacherGuides>.




 **The Responsible Purchasing Network (RPN)** is an international network of buyers dedicated to socially responsible and environmentally sustainable purchasing. Their membership program and consulting services provide institutional purchasers with cutting-edge procurement tools and resources designed to save money, conserve resources, reduce waste, and improve efficiency.

RPN works to promote and practice responsible purchasing by identifying best practices, developing effective purchasing tools, educating the market, and using collective purchasing power to maximize environmental stewardship, protect human health, and support local and global sustainability.



More information can be found at <http://www.responsiblepurchasing.org/>

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## In Other News

-  **“Measuring Peace in the Media,”** the first study that takes a fact-based approach to understanding the accuracy of international television networks’ coverage of peace, violence and conflict, has been released by the [Institute for Economics and Peace](#) (IEP) and Media Tenor.
- The study analyzed 37 TV news and current affairs programs from 23 networks in 15 countries, then cross-referenced the data with the [Global Peace Index](#) (GPI), a project that measures the levels of peace and violence in 149 countries.
- To read the full report, go to <http://www.visionofhumanity.org/wp-content/uploads/2010/10/Measuring-Peace-in-the-Media.pdf>.
- To watch the video, see <http://www.visionofhumanity.org/info-center/video-gallery/peace-in-the-media/>.
-  **Schakowsky Alternative to Simpson-Bowles Deficit Reduction Plan**  
Rep. Jan Shakowsky, a member of the President's Commission on Fiscal Responsibility and Reform, has released independently her own deficit reduction plan. It includes \$110.7 billion in defense savings based largely on the recommendations of the Sustainable Defense Task Force and the Center for American Progress.
- For more information, visit [http://schakowsky.house.gov/index.php?option=com\\_content&task=view&id=2777&Itemid=16](http://schakowsky.house.gov/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=2777&Itemid=16).
- Read the full report at [http://schakowsky.house.gov/images/stories/1202\\_Schakowsky\\_Deficit\\_Reduction\\_Plan.pdf](http://schakowsky.house.gov/images/stories/1202_Schakowsky_Deficit_Reduction_Plan.pdf).
-  **Call for Papers** for the International Conference "Defense and its Realms" to be held April 14 – 15, 2011 ENSIETA, France. The purpose of this conference is to identify the consequences of on-going transformations on the “realms of defense,” which are both its local footprints and the transformations of defense as a social construct.
- For more information, see <http://www.defense-realms.com/>.
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## Funding and Employment Opportunities


-  **The National Priorities Project is hiring a Database Manager/Web Developer**  
The Database Manager/Web Developer is responsible for overseeing the growth and maintenance of the NPP Database and Tradeoffs. The database contains socio-economic and federal expenditure data and statistics, including sources and related links, at state level in 10 issue areas; county-level in 8 issue areas; and at school district level in the issue area of education. This position is also responsible for conceiving and executing creative tools and web-based applications that allow the data to come alive and be used by a diverse constituency.
- For more information, visit <http://nationalpriorities.org/en/about/jobs/>.
-  **One Earth Future Foundation** is hiring a Quantitative Research Associate. One Earth Future is a private foundation based in Colorado, with a mission of a world beyond war through effective systems of

governance, and business as partners.

For more information about job positions, go to [http://www.oneearthfuture.org/index.php?id=96&pid=8&page=Employment\\_at\\_OEF](http://www.oneearthfuture.org/index.php?id=96&pid=8&page=Employment_at_OEF).

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## EPS Publications and Resources


 ***The "War in Afghanistan: Problems and Prospects in the Wake of Karzai's Visit" Symposium Issue***, EPS Quarterly, October 2010. This issue contains summaries of the proceedings from the Bernard Schwartz symposium held at the Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center, Washington DC on May 17, 2010. The Symposium was organized by Economists for Peace and Security and co-sponsored by The New America Foundation, and The International Trade Center Washington DC.

To read this issue of EPS Quarterly, see

<http://www.epsusa.org/publications/newsletter/2010/oct2010/oct2010.pdf>

To see video of the symposium, see


<http://www.epsusa.org/events/510conf/afghanprogram.htm>

 ***The Jobs, Investment and Energy Symposium Issue***, EPS Quarterly, July 2010. This issue contains summaries of the proceedings from The Jobs, Investment and Energy Symposium held at the Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center, Washington DC on March 23, 2010. The Symposium was organized by Economists for Peace and Security and co-sponsored by The New America Foundation, and The International Trade Center Washington DC.

To read this issue of EPS Quarterly, go to

<http://www.epsusa.org/publications/newsletter/2010/march2010/march2010.pdf>

To see video of the symposium, go to <http://www.epsusa.org/events/310conf/investmentprogram.htm>

 ***Volume 5, No. 2 of the Economics of Peace and Security Journal is now available online.***


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. Previous contributors include Joseph Stiglitz, James Galbraith, and Lawrence Klein. The Journal's website also features book reviews submitted by members and subscribers.

EPS members receive a **25% discount on the annual subscription** to the Economics of Peace and Security Journal. A regular one-year subscription is \$40; for EPS members, it's only \$30! Non-subscribers can access the abstracts and contents pages.

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

To become a member of EPS (and to qualify for the subscription discount):

<http://www.epsusa.org/membership/membership.htm>.

 ***The Obama First Year Issue***, EPS Quarterly, March 2010. This issue takes a closer look at President Obama's foreign policy during his first year in office.






Read this issue of EPS Quarterly at

<http://epsusa.org/publications/newsletter/2010/march2010/march2010.pdf>









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## Action Corner

-  **This holiday season, why not give the gift of peace?**  
One of the best gifts you can give your colleagues and loved ones is a **gift membership in EPS**. Donations in any amount can be made easily and securely online.
- Just send an email to [Thea Harvey](#) that you are making a gift membership donation, and your recipient/honoree will receive a beautiful card announcing the gift, as well as a year of EPS Quarterly and all the other [benefits of membership](#). Or consider a holiday donation in honor or in memory of a loved one, friend, or colleague. (Works last minute, too.)
- To give a gift membership, visit <https://www.chi-cash-advance.com/sforms/appeal1130/Contribute.aspx>.
-  **Many other non-profits have creative alternative gifts as well:**
- The holidays don't have to mean mindless consumerism and wasting hours of your time in shopping malls. [Please consider giving the gift of clean water or basic education to people living in impoverished countries through Mercy Corps](#). The people on your holiday list will get a card explaining the donation you've made in their name.
- Make **twice** the impact. Make a tax-deductible gift to [MADRE](#) today – your gift will be matched by a generous donor, up to \$60,000! MADRE is an international women's human rights organization that uses human rights to advance social justice. You can also shop the MADRE [online store](#) for unique gifts while supporting a great cause.
-  **Get the word out on the topics that matter 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, 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. **For a list of media outlets by state, with tips on how to write a letter in your own words plus talking points for the listed topics, see [http://action.aclu.org/site/PageServer?pagename=LTE\\_SOTU\\_2007&JServSessionIdr001=3bu49o8t91.app20a](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. **To access the Foreign Policy Staffer Locator, go to <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](mailto:theaharvey@epsusa.org).

## Upcoming Events

-  January 6 – 9, 2011. **The annual meetings of the Allied Social Sciences Associations/American Economics Association** in Denver, Colorado. EPS will be hosting two sessions, “Afghanistan - Costs and Exit Strategies” and “Pressures on the Paradigm.” Registration is now open.  
  
Details are available here: <http://www.vanderbilt.edu/AEA/>.
-  February 25 – 27, 2011. **The Eastern Economic Association's 37th Annual Conference** will be held at The Sheraton New York Hotel and Towers, New York City.  
  
Further information can be found at <http://www.ramapo.edu/eea/2011/>.
-  April 14 – 15, 2011. **Defense and its Realms, an international conference**, will be hosted by ENSIETA and the University of Western Brittany (UBO) on the ENSIETA Campus, Brest, France.  
  
Visit <http://www.defense-realms.com/> for details.
-  April 26 – 29, 2011. **The 9th Biennial Pacific Rim Conference** will be held in Brisbane, Australia, hosted by Queensland University of Technology's School of Economics and Finance. Program highlights include keynote addresses by Edward J. Kane, Boston College, and WEAI President Paul A. David, Stanford University.  
  
For more information, go to <http://www.weainternational.org/>.
-  May 30 – June 1, 2011. **International Academic Conference on Behavioral Decision Making**, hosted by The Lauder School of Government, Diplomacy and Strategy and the New School of Psychology at IDC (Interdisciplinary Center), Herzliya, Israel.  
  
See <https://portal.idc.ac.il/en/schools/Government/events/dm/Pages/homepage.aspx> for more Information.
-  June 16 – 17, 2011. **Fifteenth Annual Conference on Economics and Security** will be held in Bristol, UK, hosted by Economists for Peace and Security (UK), University of West England (Bristol), and University of Bristol.  
  
More information is available at <http://carecon.org.uk/Conferences/Conf2011>.
-  June 27 – 29, 2011. **11th Annual Jan Tinbergen Peace Science Conference, organized by the Network of European Peace Scientists**, will be held at University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands.  
  
See <http://www.europeanpeacescientists.org/jtinbergen.html> for details and a call for papers.
-  June 29 – July 3, 2011. **The 86th Annual Conference of The Western Economics Association International** will be held in San Diego, California.  
  
For more information, go to <http://www.weainternational.org/>.

## 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 continue to be heard. Membership dues and other donations are fully tax-deductible. **To become a member, go to <http://www.epsusa.org/membership/membership.htm>**
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