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The ultimate measure of a person is not where one stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where one stands in times of challenge and controversy.

• *Martin Luther King*

EPS News

- Volume 5, 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:
 - Scott A. Kjar and William A. Anderson on war and the Austrian School
 - Peter M. Li on military alliances
 - Alexandre Debs on economic theories of dictatorship
 - Joel Potter and John L. Scott on issues in third-party intervention and the role of destruction in conflict
 - Yang-Ming Chang, Shane Sanders, and Bhavneet Walia on conflict persistence and third-party intervention'
 - C. Jill Stowe, Kate Krause, and Janie M. Chermak on preferences for privacy and security
 - Neil Cooper on voluntarism, regulation, and supervision

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. Joseph Stiglitz, James Galbraith, and Lawrence Klein have been previous contributors. The Journal's website also includes book reviews submitted by members and subscribers.

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

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EPS US and UK affiliates, Izmir University of Economics, Middle East Technical University (METU), and University of the West of England, Bristol are pleased to announce the **call for papers** for the **14th Annual International Conference on Economics and Security**. The conference will take place June 17 and 18, 2010 in Izmir, Turkey.

The conference aims to provide an opportunity for defense and peace economists from around the world to share ideas and discuss the future developments in the following areas:

- 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

You are cordially invited to submit abstracts and papers on these topics. Offers of papers on other related topics are also welcome. If you are interested in presenting a paper or organizing a session at the 2010 Conference, please send a title and an abstract of 300 words or less to: defence2010@ieu.edu.tr. The deadline for submission of abstracts is March 22, 2010.

More information on the conference is at <http://ekolider.ieu.edu.tr/eab/DEFENCE2010/>.

EPS now has a group page on LinkedIn. If this is your preferred social network, please join us at http://www.linkedin.com/groups?gid=2009987&trk=anetsrch_name&goback=.gdr_1263369639671_1

The **Meeting on Conflict Management, Peace Economics and Peace Science** was held January 11 – 13, 2010 at Indira Gandhi National Open University, New Delhi, India. The conference was organized by EPS Fellow Manas Chatterji and co-sponsored by EPS, the International Center for Conflict Prevention and Management (Australia), and the State University of New York at Binghamton. To read news reports on the conference, click on the following links:


<http://www.newstrackindia.com/newsdetails/143141>

http://www.thaindian.com/newsportal/south-asia/pakistan-dangerous-to-world-peace-us-economist_100303695.html

<http://www.newkerala.com/news/fullnews-28695.html>

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 The **3D Security Initiative** is a policy voice for civil society and conflict prevention with a new take on human security:

- Connecting policymakers with global civil society networks
- Engaging in civil-military dialogue
- Increasing investments in conflict prevention and peacebuilding

3D recently published a set of 11 videos that **highlight peacebuilding initiatives throughout Afghanistan**, including educational peace and conflict programs, individual-led peace projects, civil society organizations, and a new Afghan website dedicated to peace building, all initiated and led by Afghans in Afghanistan. <http://www.3dsecurity.org/>

 For more **on-the-ground peace solutions led by Afghans** check out these social entrepreneurs working in Afghanistan. <http://peace.ashoka.org/peacefellows?filter0=afghanistan>

 **Academic Careers Online** is an academic job site where universities and colleges in the US, Canada, and around the globe advertise faculty, adjunct, post doc, library, endowed chairs, and all types of administrative and senior management jobs.


There is *no charge* for applicant services. You can:


- Search current job openings (and remember, new ones are added daily),
- Post your resume for employers to review, and/or
- Receive e-mail alerts when matching jobs are posted.

To search jobs and/or open an applicant account at *Academic Careers Online*, visit www.academiccareers-job.com, then select "Applicants Enter Here." Your resume will be visible within seconds to employers. Search committees can also post job openings.


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In Other News

 Hot off the presses, a new brief from The Arms and Security Initiative, a project of The New America Foundation - ***For Security and Peace: Ratify START***. This backgrounder makes the case for a new Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty ("New START") between the United States and Russia, and rebuts the key arguments from critics of the agreement. http://www.newamerica.net/publications/policy/for_security_and_peace_ratify_start

 New Deal 2.0, a project of the Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt Institute, recently posted ***Financial Crisis Inquiry Commission: A User's Guide***. The long-awaited first hearings of the Financial Crisis Inquiry Commission (FCIC) began last week. This is a bi-partisan 10-member commission created by Congress to investigate the causes of the financial collapse. It is mandated to create a special report by December 15th, 2010, and will be holding hearings year round. <http://www.newdeal20.org/?p=7425>

To read a transcript of remarks describing the work of the commission delivered at the EPS *Next Stage Symposium* in November, visit <http://epsusa.org/events/09conf/angelidestranscript.htm>.

 **Headline: "Fog of war demystified by financial power law," researchers say.** Attacks and casualties as a result of modern warfare can now be predicted using the power law model. "When you hear about these attacks on the news at night, they just sound haphazard," said Neil Johnson,

a physicist at the University of Miami in Florida and a co-author of the paper. "But when we looked at them, we found that there were universal relationships across conflicts."

For a layman's summary of the findings, see:

http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/34750076/ns/technology_and_science-science/ns/technology_and_science-science/

To read the original paper, go to: <http://xxx.lanl.gov/abs/physics/0605035>

Just in case you've been wondering how likely it is that you will encounter a terrorist on your next flight, Nate Silver has very kindly calculated **The Odds of Airborne Terror**. "Over the past decade, according to BTS, there have been 99,320,309 commercial airline departures that either originated or landed within the United States. Dividing by six [terrorist attacks during that time], we get one terrorist incident per 16,553,385 departures....That means there has been one terrorist incident per 11,569,297,667 miles flown...Assuming an average airborne speed of 425 miles per hour, there has been one terrorist incident per 27,221,877 hours airborne. This can also be expressed as one incident per 1,134,245 days airborne, or one incident per 3,105 years airborne."

<http://www.fivethirtyeight.com/2009/12/odds-of-airborne-terror.html>

Call for Papers: The Network of European Peace Scientists (NEPS) invites the submission of papers for the **10th Jan Tinbergen European Peace Science Conference** to take place in Amsterdam, the Netherlands, June 28 - 30, 2010. **Deadline for submission is February 15.** The complete call for papers is at http://www.europeanpeacescientists.org/jantinbergen_call.pdf.

Those who are interested in participating should submit their proposal (abstract, tentative title, author name(s) and affiliation(s)) either in a word document or in a plain text e-mail to the following address: conference@europeanpeacescientists.org Participation fee will be 80 euros for senior researchers and 50 euros for PhD students. Fees also include annual membership in NEPS.

Call for Papers: The International Confederation of Associations for Pluralism in Economics (ICAPE) announces its 3rd International Conference: "**Failing Economies, Failing Economics: Rebooting Economics after the Crash**" June 3 – 5, 2010 at Western New England College, Springfield, Massachusetts.

ICAPE and the organizers of "Failing Economies, Failing Economics: Rebooting Economics after the Crash" invite proposals for papers that discuss or demonstrate the value of economic pluralism in the light of the recent global economic crisis. ICAPE wishes to invite papers on all aspects related to the financial and economic crisis, including:


- The crisis and aspects of policy making;
- The impact of the crisis on the developed and the developing world;
- The economic crisis and the impact upon the economics profession;
- The economic crisis and the teaching of economics.

Papers are invited from all domains of pluralism: economic theory and philosophy, economic institutions and policies, or economic education. The following themes are suggested:

- Pluralism developments in heterodox economic theory;
- Neoliberalism and pluralism in economics;
- Pluralism and the science of economics.


Themed sessions are also welcomed. Panels will be organized around thematic topics, with an eye to encouraging dialogue among authors whose papers address similar issues from different points of view. In this fashion, they hope to promote critical engagement and mutual learning among conference participants.

All papers and panel proposals should be submitted to: Fred Lee, Executive Director, ICAPE leefs@umkc.edu. Notification deadline: **January 25, 2010.**

 **Request for submissions:** The book series *Contributions to Conflict Management, Peace Economics and Development* now totals 15 volumes. The series, published by Emerald Publishing, UK, presents theoretical and empirical papers on conflict and peace related to economic, social and political development, primarily of the developing countries.

<http://info.emeraldinsight.com/products/books/series.htm?id=1572-8323>


EPS Fellow Manas Chatterji is General Editor. Colleagues interested in submitting a manuscript for possible publication are requested to contact him at mchatter@binghamton.edu.

 **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.

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


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Food for Thought

 **James Galbraith** answered **Paul Krugman's** question, [How Did Economists Get It So Wrong?](#) (NY Times, September 2009) with a question of his own, *Who Are These Economists, Anyway [who Got it Right]?* Dr. Krugman says in his essay, "a few economists challenged the assumption of rational behavior, questioned the belief that financial markets can be trusted and pointed to the long history of financial crises that had devastating economic consequences." Dr. Galbraith explores who these few were.

This paper was delivered at the American Economics Association meetings in Atlanta on January 3 during the **Neoliberalism, Financial Markets and Freedom** session.


http://www.levy.org/pubs/Thought_Action.pdf

 The economic crisis has revealed gaping holes in America's social safety net. In a new policy paper for the New America Foundation, **Steven Attewell** writes: "We need to go back to the original drawing board - the Social Security Act of 1935 - to finish the job it began and create a truly universal and comprehensive social welfare state." Attewell calls for putting the US back on the path to broadly-shared prosperity by renewing the original vision of the Social Security system as a comprehensive foundation for economic security policies, including unemployment insurance and family leave policy, rather than a public pension plan for the elderly alone.

http://www.newamerica.net/publications/policy/freedom_from_fear


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Funding and Employment Opportunities


 The Partnership for Democratic Governance (PDG), a division of the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), is seeking a **Technical Advisor - Post-Conflict and Fragility**. Job duties include service delivery and contracting-out in post-conflict and fragile countries; intellectual leadership into the PDG's research agenda; and documenting and synthesizing findings and developing best practices on collaboration among donor countries and organizations in improving core government functions in emerging democracies and fragile states.

More information at

http://erecruit1.oecd.org/psc/ERECRUIT/EMPLOYEE/HRMS/c/HRS_HRAM.HRS_CE.GBL

 **Research Funding:** The Center for International Strategy, Technology, and Policy at Georgia Tech, in conjunction with the James Martin Center for Nonproliferation Studies, is seeking applications from junior faculty, post-docs, and doctoral candidates doing work on maintaining strategic stability under reduced or eliminated nuclear arsenals for its **Program on Strategic Stability Evaluation (POSSE)**. At this time, expertise on the issue as it relates to Chinese, Russian, or American arsenals is particular desirable. This project is funded by the Carnegie Corporation of New York to forge an interdisciplinary network of young scholars on the subject, and to facilitate related research.

More complete information is at http://cns.miis.edu/activities/pdfs/pr090912_posse_applications.pdf

 **Job Opening:** Georgetown University's MA Program in Conflict Resolution invites applications for a one-year (10 month) **full-time contract Visiting Assistant Professor Position for the 2010-2011 academic year**.

The Conflict Resolution program is housed in the Department of Government. The CR program offers an innovative and rigorous curriculum encompassing the core skills and multi-disciplinary knowledge needed to successfully pursue diverse career opportunities, both in the US and abroad, related to conflict management and conflict resolution.

Qualifications: Candidates should be qualified to teach courses in conflict resolution theory and research methodology, in addition to one or more specialized areas such as health, youth, law, international development, gender, media, and education. Regional specialization is open and applicants with a domestic focus are encouraged to apply. Successful candidates must have a PhD in Conflict Resolution or related field, along with teaching experience and a record of publications. Candidates with direct applied experience in the conflict resolution field are preferred.


Responsibilities: The successful candidate will maintain a 2/3 teaching load, advise students, supervise students' internships and theses, assist with program development, and pursue other related activities.

More information at

<http://www1.georgetown.edu/departments/government/conflictresolution/83179.html>

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EPS Publications and Resources

 A conference entitled *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 Rethinking 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 Rethinking the Economy also has a webpage devoted the conference at <http://www.i-r-e.org/article50.html>.

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" as hostile. This policy, together with other US 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 were to deploy such weapons in space, other nations would likely follow, leading to 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 concludes that no one can prevail, and all stand to lose, in an arms race in space.

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, EPS releases 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. 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. *Conflict or Development* features 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. To order, email Thea Harvey at 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 should be added, please contact Thea Harvey at theaharvey@epsusa.org.

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Action Corner

If you are looking for **ways to help in Haiti**, here are a few organizations that are already on the ground:

Oxfam has over three decades of experience in Haiti, and they have rushed in teams from around the region to respond to the situation where assistance is most needed. They are providing clean water, shelter and sanitation and helping people recover - your donation will go immediately to the most critical needs in Haiti. https://secure.oxfamamerica.org/site/Donation2?idb=1112596947&df_id=3560&3560.donation=form1&JServSessionIdr004=36pbuhhgn1.app240a

Plan is a child-centered organization working at the grassroots level to ensure the health, education, and well-being of girls and boys in need throughout Africa, Asia, and Latin America. They have been working with girls, boys, families, and communities in Haiti since 1973. Since the moment the devastating earthquake hit, Plan's 143 staff in Haiti have been providing emergency assistance to children. These teams are on the ground in the devastated capital city of Port-au-Prince, but also even closer to the epicenter of the quake in the village of Jacmel. Plan is the only major relief organization in the remote, mountainous region of Jacmel.

<https://www.planusa.org/contentmgr/showdetails.php/id/1190817/tp/VE1HUj0xLHRpZD0xMTkwNDUzLA%3D%3D>

The **Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF)** is a program of the United Nations that allows for coordinated, immediate and intelligent relief services provided by agencies of the United Nations. The money given to the CERF, both by countries and individual donors, is available immediately for life-saving activities. https://secure.globalproblems-globalsolutions.org/site/Donation2?idb=1649881960&df_id=1240&1240.donation=form1

For a list of **more organizations**, please visit <http://www.networkforgood.org/>.

American Express Cardmembers enrolled in the Membership Rewards program can **redeem points to support charities** aiding the relief effort in Haiti. For every 1,000 points, \$10 will be donated to your charity of choice. You can choose from an extensive list of organizations that are dedicated to the Haiti earthquake relief effort. http://amex.justgive.org/disaster/haiti_quake.jsp?om_rid=AVrH8D&om_mid=BLU0IVB74Y61sy&om_lid=haiti (There may be other rewards programs which are offering this option. This is just the one that came across my desk. - ed.)

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, 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, with 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

February 1 – 2, 2010. **The Global Costs of Conflict International Research Workshop** hosted by The German Institute for Economic Research (DIW Berlin) and the Households in Conflict Network (HiCN) in Berlin. http://www.diw.de/en/diw_01.c.342818.en/publications_and_events/the_global_costs_of_conflict.html

February 26 – 28, 2010. The **Eastern Economic Association annual meeting** in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Abstracts and paper submissions should be submitted online by visiting the Association's conference homepage located at www.ramapo.edu/eea/2010.

June 3 – 5, 2010. The **International Confederation of Associations for Pluralism in Economics (ICAPE)** 3rd International Conference: "Failing Economies, Failing Economics: Rebooting Economics after the

Crash” at Western New England College, Springfield, Massachusetts. More information at <http://www.icafe.org/>.

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June 24 – 26, 2010. The Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics (SASE) 22nd Annual Meeting will take place at Temple University, Philadelphia, PA. The theme is **Governance Across Borders: Coordination, Regulation, and Contestation in the Global Economy**. Submissions for papers or organized sessions are now open at <http://convention3.allacademic.com/one/sase/sase10/>. Deadline for submissions: January 31, 2010.

June 28 – 30, 2010. **10th Jan Tinbergen European Peace Science Conference** organized by the Network of European Peace Scientists in Amsterdam at the Tinbergen Institute, Roeterstraat 31, 1018 WB Amsterdam, the Netherlands. More information at <http://www.europeanpeacescientists.org/jtinbergen.html>

June 29 – July 3, 2010. **85th Annual Conference of the Western Economic Association International** in Portland, Oregon. More information at: <http://www.weainternational.org/conferences.htm>.

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