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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

- EPS members are invited to ***Reducing violence and promoting development: What do peace metrics tell us?*** This special dialogue, hosted by the Institute for Economics and Peace, will address the unique development opportunities identified by empirical research of peace, and include discussion of the connections between security and development.

The event, which will also include the release of the **2010 Global Peace Index**, will take place on June 10 at 10:30am at the United Nations in New York. Pre-registration is required. To register, visit <http://gpi2010ny.eventbrite.com/>.
- EPS partnered with the New America Foundation and the Washington Note to present ***Afghanistan and National Security*** on Monday, May 17 in Washington DC. Video of the event is now posted on our [website](#).

Press coverage of the event included mention in:

- The Huffington Post
http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2010/05/17/peter-galbraith-former-un_n_579335.html
- Australia's Business and World News http://australia.to/2010/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=2828:bill-for-afghan-war-could-run-into-the-trillions&catid=52:world&Itemid=166
- After Downing Street
<http://www.afterdowningstreet.org/node/52317>

EPS will host a session at the **Western Economics Association meetings** June 30 – July 3 in Portland, Oregon. Chaired by Lloyd J. Dumas, *Climate Change, Security and Prosperity* will feature:

- Eban Goodstein, Bard Center for Environmental Policy
Economic (or Financial) Security and Climate Change
- Kristen A. Sheeran, Economics for Equity and the Environment Network
Equity and Prosperity in Global Emissions Reductions: What Role for Carbon Markets?
- Michael Intriligator, University of California at Los Angeles
A Novel Approach to Energy/Climate Change via a New Manhattan Project

More information on the conference is at <http://www.weainternational.org/>.

EPS US and UK affiliates, Izmir University of Economics, Middle East Technical University (METU), and University of the West of England 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.

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

Volume 5, No. 1 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. 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. 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, see <http://www.epsjournal.org.uk/>.

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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.

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Links

■ In the midst of global economic collapse, an expanding income gap, accelerating climate change, mass species extinction and exponential growth in global debt, the conveners of **The Economics of Peace Conference** called for engaged citizens from the US and abroad to come together in Sonoma, CA, October 18 – 23, 2009 to help forge a new economic agenda for the 21st century.

The Economics of Peace Conference showcased leading thinkers and practitioners who are already transforming economic relationships. Themes of the conference were:

- The Economics of Social and Environmental Justice;
- The Influence of Cultural Myths and Propaganda on Economic Policies;
- Transforming the Means of Exchange;
- Toward a New Ethic of Ownership; and
- Evolving the Policies for the New Economics.

Conference speakers addressed the most relevant economic issues confronting us today, and daily workshops offered practical skills for creating vibrant local economies. EPS Chair James K. Galbraith was among the speakers. <http://vimeo.com/channels/theeconomicsofpeace/page:3>

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In Other News

■ National Priorities Project's [Cost of War counter](#), designed to count the total money appropriated for the Iraq and Afghanistan wars, will **reach the \$1 trillion mark** on May 30.

At nearly the same time, Congress likely will have approved an additional estimated \$37 billion for the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq. Initial projections of this spending will add \$3 billion to Iraq war costs and \$34 billion to Afghanistan war costs. Consideration of the pending supplemental is likely to occur before Congress' Memorial Day recess. <http://www.nationalpriorities.org/newsletter/2010/5/14/cost-of-war-counter-will-reach-1-trillion-on-may-30>

■ The Center for Arms Control and Non-Proliferation has a new fact sheet detailing **US vs Global Defense Spending**.

In a recent speech to the Navy League's annual Sea-Air-Space Exposition, Secretary of Defense Robert Gates pointed to just a few of the many extreme cases in which US defense outweighs that of other countries:

- The US operates 11 large carriers, all nuclear powered. In terms of size and striking power, no other country has even one comparable ship.
- The US Navy has 10 large-deck amphibious ships that can operate as sea bases for helicopters and vertical-takeoff jets. No other navy has more than three, and all of those navies belong to pure allies or friends. Our Navy can carry twice as many aircraft at sea as all the rest of the world combined.
- The US has 57 nuclear-powered attack and cruise missile submarines - again, more than the rest of the world combined.
- Seventy-nine Aegis-equipped combatants carry roughly 8,000 vertical-launch missile cells. In terms of total missile firepower, the US arguably outmatches the next 20 largest navies.
- All told, the displacement of the US battle fleet - a proxy for overall fleet capabilities - exceeds, by one recent estimate, at least the next 13 navies combined, of which 11 are our allies or partners.

http://www.armscontrolcenter.org/policy/securityspending/articles/US_vs_Global/

Call for Papers: Proposals are invited for the **Eurasian Peace Science Conference** which will take place on January 7 – 8 , 2011 at Koc University, Istanbul, Turkey. The Conference's goals are to broaden cooperation among Eurasian and Middle Eastern peace science scholars, encourage interaction with the worldwide peace science community, and 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 international and domestic violence encompassing war, ethnic conflict, 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 (or Eurasiaps@gmail.com). All submissions before August 1, 2010 will be considered for the conference. Proposals after that date will only be considered if there are presentation slots available

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.


Proposals will be considered if any presentation slots are still available. 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.

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

development, primarily of the developing countries. 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.


For information about the series, visit <http://info.emeraldinsight.com/products/books/series.htm?id=1572-8323>.

 **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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Funding and Employment Opportunities


 **Rotary Peace Fellows** are leaders promoting national and international cooperation, peace, and the successful resolution of conflict throughout their lives, in their careers, and through service activities. Fellows can earn either a master's degree in international relations, public administration, sustainable development, peace studies, conflict resolution, or a related field, or a professional development certificate in peace and conflict resolution. Fellows are chosen from countries and cultures around the globe based on their ability to have a significant, positive impact on world peace and conflict resolution during their careers.

<http://www.rotary.org/EN/STUDENTSANDYOUTH/EDUCATIONALPROGRAMS/ROTARYCENTERSFORINTERNATIONALSTUDIES/Pages/HowToApply.aspx>.

 The Core Fulbright Scholar competition for 2011-2012 is now open. Over 800 grants are available for teaching, conducting research, or combining both in more than 125 countries around the globe. The deadline is August 2. For information on Fulbright Scholar Awards, consult their website at www.iie.org/cies. To request information, email scholars@iie.org.

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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. **See video or read transcripts from the conference** by visiting <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>.

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Action Corner



House Resolution 2478, *the Lord's Resistance Army (LRA) Disarmament and Northern Uganda Recovery Act of 2009*, supports stabilization and lasting peace in northern Uganda and areas affected by the Lord's Resistance Army.

The bill calls for the development of a regional strategy to support multilateral efforts to successfully protect civilians and for the authorization of funds for humanitarian relief and reconstruction, reconciliation, and transitional justice.

The LRA Resolution has already passed the Senate with bi-partisan support and is now in the House Foreign Affairs Committee. Although many Representatives have voiced their support for the bill, they must co-sponsor the Resolution to ensure the bill makes it out of Committee and onto the floor of the House.

The Lord's Resistance Army continues to commit atrocities and abduct children across three countries in Central Africa. Last year, in the Democratic Republic of Congo alone, the LRA reportedly killed a total of 849 people, abducted 1486, and displaced an additional 365,000 people from their homes. Based on the estimates of killings, the LRA's violence far outpaces other violent conflicts in the region, yet garners far less attention.

http://org2.democracyinaction.org/o/5550/p/dia/action/public/?action_KEY=2759

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**. They offer 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. 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.

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Upcoming Events

May 26, 2010. *How Enemies Become Friends: The Sources of Stable Peace*, A Book Event at the New America Foundation, Washington DC, from 12:15 to 1:45. Featured speaker is Charlie Kupchan, Senior Fellow, Council on Foreign Relations and author of the recent book. RSVP at http://www.newamerica.net/events/2010/charlie_kupchan.

June 2, 2010. Screening of the documentary *Grace under Fire*, a powerful and inspiring film about the struggle to secure life-saving reproductive health care in the Democratic Republic of Congo, from 1:00pm to 3:00pm at the George C. Marshal Conference Center, Dept. of State, Washington DC. The

screening will be followed by a panel discussion. RSVP to PRMMailbox@state.gov or (202) 453-9374 by May 28.

June 7 – 11, 2010. The Transitional Justice Institute is pleased to announce its 3rd annual **Summer School on Transitional Justice 2010: Gender, Conflict and Transition** at University of Ulster, Magee campus, Londonderry, Northern Ireland. The Summer School is a week-long residential course consisting of a series of interactive lectures, workshops and roundtable discussions which this year will address the theme of gender and transitional justice.

http://transitionaljustice.ulster.ac.uk/events_news/summer_school_2010.html

June 9, 2010. **Climate, Energy and National Security: Meeting the Environmental Information Challenge**, Washington DC. <http://www.forumoneo4.com/>

June 17 – 18, 2010. **14th Annual International Conference on Economics and Security** sponsored by EPS-UK, Izmir University of Economics, Middle East Technical University (METU), and University of the West of England, Bristol. The conference will take place at Izmir University of Economics, Izmir, Turkey. Call for papers and conference information is at <http://ekolider.ieu.edu.tr/eab/DEFENCE2010/>.

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**. To register, see http://www.sase.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=190&Itemid=46.

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. EPS will host a session on *Climate Change, Security and Prosperity*. More information at <http://www.weainternational.org/conferences.htm>.


October 25 – 28, 2010. **The Global Evaluation Conclave** will take place in New Delhi, India. A new vision is emerging of how evaluation can serve development. The questions are changing, from "What was the outcome of this project?" to "What needs to happen to bring about deeper change in societies and system?" This event is designed for stakeholders from evaluation research, theorizing, or practice who seek opportunities to push their thinking in new directions and are interested in application of new ideas. For more information or to register, please visit <http://www.evaluationconclave.org/>.


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