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"Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere. We are caught in an inescapable network of mutuality, tied in a single garment of destiny."

~Martin Luther King, Jr.

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EPS News

EPS hosted two sessions at the Annual Meetings of the Allied Social Sciences Associations/ American Economics Association in Denver, Colorado.

Session 1: 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: Afghanistan - Costs and Exit Strategies (Panel Discussion) Panel Moderator: Michael Intriligator (University of California, Los Angeles) Roger Myerson (University of Chicago) Lloyd J. Dumas (University of Texas, Dallas) James K. Galbraith (EPS) For more information or to listen to the session audio, see http://www.epsusa.org/events/aea.htm.

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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The 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 <u>John2.Dunne@uwe.ac.uk</u>.

For more information, visit<u>http://carecon.org.uk/Conferences/Conf2011</u> or contact J. Paul Dunne 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.

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EPS now has a group page on **LinkedIn**. If this is your preferred social network, check in with us at <u>www.linkedin.com/groups?gid=2009987&trk=anetsrch_name&goback=.gdr_1263369639671_1</u>.

Don't forget EPS is on Facebook. Become a fan and keep up with our latest activities and upcoming events.

To become a fan of EPS, go to http://www.facebook.com/pages/Economists-for-Peace-and-Security/114370951337.

Links

What's at Stake? offers 50 state-level briefs focus on the impact of war spending.

Highlights of the release include a gap analysis focused on Head Start, health insurance, renewable energy and higher education with findings such as:

- New York has 128,128 Head Start-eligible children, yet only 48,013 Head Start places. For New York's share of this year's Afghan War spending, the state could fund Head Start places for all eligible children for 21 years.
- Wisconsin has 527,000 uninsured residents. For Wisconsin's cumulative Afghan War spending, the state could provide insurance for all uninsured for 3 years.
- Washington consumes 1,168,531 Billion British thermal units (BBtu) of non-renewable energy and only 881,676 BBtu of renewable energy. For Washington's share of cumulative Afghan and Iraq war spending, it could pay 23% of the cost to convert all non-renewable energy to all solar energy or 79% to convert to all wind energy.
- At the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, the North Carolina share of total war spending (\$34 billion) would fund all in-state expenses of a four-year education for each incoming freshman class for the next 135 years.

To read the briefs, see

http://costofwar.com/en/publications/2011/whats-at-stake/.

"1945—1998." Created by Isao Hashimoto, "1945—1998" features a digital world map. As each year goes by, red and blue dots light up on the screen, showing when, where and how many nuclear experiments each country has conducted. A count is kept next to an icon of each world flag indicating the total number of experiments in each given country.

To watch the video, see

http://www.ctbto.org/specials/1945-1998-by-isao-hashimoto/.

In Other News

Next Year's Wars: The 16 brewing conflicts to watch for in 2011, Foreign Policy Magazine.

Across the globe today, you'll find almost <u>three dozen</u> raging conflicts, from the valleys of Afghanistan to the jungles of the Democratic Republic of the Congo to the streets of Kashmir. But what are the next crises that might erupt in 2011?

To read the full article, and to see the slide show, see http://www.foreignpolicy.com/articles/2010/12/28/next_years_wars.

Global investment in green energy hit record in 2010 by Todd Woody for *Grist*, January 11, 2011.

The numbers are in and 2010 proved a record year for green energy, investment with venture capitalists, corporations, and governments worldwide pouring \$243 billion into wind farms, solar power, electric cars, and other technologies, according to a new report from <u>Bloomberg New Energy Finance</u>.

That's a 30 percent spike from 2009 and nearly five times the money invested in 2004, the research firm said.

"It flies in the face of skepticism about the clean energy sector among public market investors, who have been concerned about the sustainability of subsidy programs in Europe, the failure of the Obama administration to deliver a climate or an energy deal, and the crescendo of ill-informed doubts about climate change," Michael Liebreich, chief executive of *Bloomberg New Energy Finance*, said in a statement.

To read the full article, see

http://www.grist.org/article/2011-01-11-global-investment-in-green-energy-hit-record-in-2010.

Call for Papers and Sessions. Has War Gone Bust? Peace, Conflict and the Global Financial Crisis. Conflict Research Society Annual Conference of 2011.

An initial expression of interest would be extremely helpful. Contributions will be accepted on the basis of a 200-300 word abstract which should be submitted - very preferably before March 31, 2011 - to Steve Pickering <u>s.pickering@lancaster.ac.uk</u>.

The conference embraces theory, evidence and practice - it invites presentation and discussion. It seeks to bring together developments in the 'real' world and developments in academic understanding... topical issues and enduring issues. Moreover, it recognizes the existence of disagreement: concepts, theories and approaches can be contested.

For more information, see

http://www.conflictresearchsociety.org.uk/activities.html.

Call for Papers. The 11th Jan Tinbergen European Peace Science Conference, annual meeting of NEPS, will take place on June 27–29 at the University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

The Jan Tinbergen Conference is interdisciplinary. There will be continuing emphasis on research methods in peace science, but also papers dealing with all aspects of the peace science field, from pure abstract theory to practical applied research will be accepted. As a guide to topics, please consider: (a) cooperation, deterrence, alliances and games, (b) game and related theory, (c) contest theory, (d) general equilibrium models of conflict and conflict management; (e) economic policies to cope with actual and potential conflicts; (f) mathematical approaches to conflict management, (g) mathematical models of arms races and wars, (h) empirical studies on the causes of wars and political violence; (i) the impact of conflicts and violence on welfare; (j) public policy aspects of both war-torn and post-conflict societies; (k) arms Control, government spending and international security; (l) trade disputes, trade wars and international economic sanctions; (m) critical economic aspects of the global crises.

For more information, see www.europeanpeacescientists.org/jtinbergen.html.

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 ongoing 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 <u>http://www.defense-realms.com/</u>.

Funding & 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, see http://www.oneearthfuture.org/index.php?id=96&pid=8&page=Employment_at_OEF.

EPS Publications

Economics of Peace and Security Journal Vol. 6, No 1 - On collective punishment, California water, and the Austrian School is now available online.

Articles by Keisuke Nakao and Sun-Ki Chai on criminal conflict and collective punishment; David Zetland on intra-organizational conflict: origin, persistence, cost, and closure (parts I and II); and Christopher Westley, William L. Anderson, and Scott A. Kjar on Mises, Hayek, war, and the Austrian School (part II of a series on war and the Austrian School).

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Friedrich von Hayek

and Scott A. KJAR

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

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 watch 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 <u>http://www.epsusa.org/publications/newsletter/2010/march2010.pdf</u>. To see video of the symposium, go to <u>http://www.epsusa.org/events/310conf/investmentprogram.htm</u>.

Action Corner

10 Actions for a More Peaceful 2011. The Peace and Collaborative Development Network has put together a list of 10 possible recommendations to help make the world more peaceful and encourage others to contribute their own lists as we move into 2011.

To see the full list or to recommend an action, see

http://www.internationalpeaceandconflict.org/profiles/blog/show? id=780588%3ABlogPost%3A35307&xgs=1&xg source=msg share post.

Get the word out on the topics that matter most to you! The ACLU has a tool that helps write and send letters to local papers. With such a letter, 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.

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=3bu4 908t91.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.

Upcoming Events

- 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 <u>http://www.ramapo.edu/eea/2011/</u>.
- 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.

For more details, visit http://www.defense-realms.com/.

 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 Decisionmaking, hosted by The Lauder School of Government, Diplomacy and Strategy and the New School of Psychology at IDC (Interdisciplinary Center), Herzliya, Israel. For more information, see https://portal.idc.ac.il/en/schools/Government/events/dm/Pages/homepage.aspx.

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For details, See <u>http://www.europeanpeacescientists.org/jtinbergen.html</u>.

• 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 <u>http://www.weainternational.org/</u>.

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