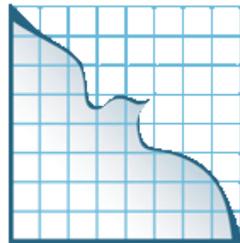


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The good we secure for ourselves is precarious and uncertain until it is secured for all of us and incorporated into our common life.

~Jane Addams

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EPS News

16th Annual International Conference on Economics and Security, June 21 – 22, 2012 in Cairo, Egypt

The American University in Cairo is honored to host the 16th Annual International Conference on Economics and Security. The conference aims to provide an opportunity for defense and peace economists from around the world to share ideas and discuss 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
- Technology and civil security
- Disaster management and civil security

For more information about the conference, see <http://conf.aucegypt.edu/ICES-2012>.

Registration information is available at
<http://conf.aucegypt.edu/Conferences/ConfHome.aspx?Conf=ICES-2012&Title=Registration>.

Trickle-up wealth is making the American dream a myth

Poor investment and dubious connections are ensuring the gap in income and opportunity keeps widening.

By Joseph Stiglitz for *BusinessDay*, June 9, 2012

"America likes to think of itself as a land of opportunity. But, while we can all think of examples of Americans who rose to the top on their own, what matters are the statistics: to what extent do an individual's life chances depend on the income and education of his or her parents?

Figures show the American dream is a myth. There is less equality of opportunity in the US today than in Europe.

"America has the highest level of inequality of any of the advanced countries - and its gap with the rest has been widening. In the 'recovery' of 2009-10, the top 1 percent of US income-earners captured 93 percent of the income growth. Other inequality indicators - like wealth, health, and life expectancy - are as bad or even worse. The clear trend is one of concentration of wealth at the top, the hollowing out of the middle, and increasing poverty at the bottom.

"It would be one thing if the high incomes of those at the top were the result of greater contributions to society, but the Great Recession showed otherwise: even bankers who had led the global economy to the brink of ruin received outsize bonuses."

Read the full article at

<http://www.businessday.com.au/business/trickleup-wealth-is-making-the-american-dream-a-myth-20120608-201h3.html>.

EPS Netherlands/Belgium affiliate has launched its new website.

The EPS European portal is evolving with more European affiliate websites coming soon.

The Dutch-Flemish Affiliation of Economists for Peace and Security (EPS NL/FL) is a cooperation of Dutch and Flemish economists. It was founded in 1990 by Nobel Prize Laureate in economics Jan Tinbergen.

EPS NL/FL emphasizes the relationships between economy and peace in the conviction that knowledge of these relationships and the desire to act accordingly are essential conditions for sustainable peace.

EPS is part of a global community of experts on the economics of military affairs, research and policy institutes, grass-roots and grass-tops activists, and working groups on peace and security policy. Among them are Nobel Prize Laureates in economics Kenneth Arrow, Lawrence Klein, Amartya Sen, Robert Solow and Joseph Stiglitz.

Visit the new EPS Netherlands/Belgium website:

<http://www.epseu.org/index.php/nl-about-us>.

EPS raised \$65 last 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.

To start using GoodSearch, go to

<http://www.goodsearch.com/about.aspx>.

Look for EPS is on Facebook. Become a fan and keep up with our latest activities and upcoming events.

Become a fan of EPS at

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Economists-for-Peace-and-Security/114370951337>.

EPS now has a group page on LinkedIn. If this is your preferred social network, check in with us.

Keep up with EPS at

www.linkedin.com/groups?gid=2009987&trk=anetsrch_name&goback=.gdr_1263369639671_1.

In Other News

UNHCR launches flagship publication on State of the World's Refugees

News Stories, May 31, 2012

"UN High Commissioner for Refugees António Guterres warned on Thursday that factors causing mass population flight are growing, and over the coming decade more people on the move will become refugees or displaced within their own country.

"In comments marking the launch in New York of 'The State of the World's Refugees: In Search of Solidarity,' Guterres said displacement from conflict was becoming compounded by a combination of causes, including climate change, population growth, urbanization, food insecurity, water scarcity and resource competition.

"All these factors are interacting with each other, increasing instability and conflict and forcing people to move. In a world that is becoming smaller and smaller, finding solutions, he said, would need determined international political will."

Read the full article here:

<http://www.unhcr.org/4fc731db6.html>.

Call for submissions: Environmental/Public Policy

Conflict Resolution Quarterly publishes scholarship on relationships between theory, research, and practice in the conflict management and dispute resolution field to promote more effective professional applications. *Conflict Resolution Quarterly* is sponsored by the Association for Conflict Resolution.

Articles may focus on any aspect of the conflict resolution process or context, but a primary focus is the behavior, role and impact of third parties in effectively handling conflict at all levels, from the interpersonal to the international. All theoretical and methodological orientations are welcome.

Submissions received by July 1, 2012 will be considered for a Colloquy edition of CRQ focusing on Environmental/Public Policy issues. Submissions received after this date will be considered for publication outside of this Colloquy.

For more information on this call for submissions, visit

http://www.internationalpeaceandconflict.org/forum/topic/show?id=780588%3ATopic%3A726734&xgs=1&xg_source=msg_share_topic.

Links

Journal of Conflictology

Vol 3, No 1 (2012)

The issue opens with an *interview* with the Indian development expert **Dr. Kshemendra Kumar Upadhyay**, who reflects on the caste system's implications for the Indian society. **Elisabeth Mikkelsen's** article reports a case study of how 'sensemakings' about conflicts change as they are enacted from the perspective of staff and management in a non-profit organization that participated in conflict management training. In continuation, **Bhimsen Devkota** and **Edwin van Teijlingen** present a study that explores the motivating factors of individuals who joined Maoists as health workers in Nepal. The article provides policy-relevant conclusions on how to promote sustainable peace and improve health care services in communities affected by conflict. In a similar vein, **Adam Baird** delves into the micro-foundations of peaceful society in his piece "*Negotiating Pathways to Manhood*." He

uses original empirical data collected in Medellín, Colombia, and a conceptual focus on masculinities to understand why some male youths negotiated a pathway to manhood without joining violent urban gangs.

Find out more about this issue of The Journal of Conflictology at
<http://journal-of-conflictology.uoc.edu/ojs/index.php/journal-of-conflictology/>.

New Greenpeace Report, Energy [R]evolution: A Sustainable World Energy Outlook

A global energy scenario paints a picture of how our common future could unfold. Energy scenarios send important messages on alternative futures to decision-makers in political, financial, industrial sectors as well as other stakeholders in the energy market. They paint a picture that can encourage and guide decision makers involved in shaping our energy future.

Download a 16-page summary or the full report at
<http://www.greenpeace.org/international/en/publications/reports/Energy-Revolution-A-Sustainable-World-Energy-Outlook/>.

Funding & Employment Opportunities

Program Director: World Resources Institute, Washington DC

The World Resources Institute (WRI) is seeking a Director to lead its Institutions and Governance Program (IGP). IGP works with networks of analysts and advocates around the world to empower people and support institutions to foster environmentally sound and socially equitable decision-making.

By partnering with governmental and non-governmental organizations in more than 50 countries, IGP's current staff of 23 promotes greater transparency, inclusiveness, representativeness and accountability in decisions regarding natural resources and the environment. Its FY11 budget was USD 4.6 million. IGP's current projects promote systemic improvements in access to information, public participation, and access to justice; improve governance in the electricity sector and in forest management in the context of low carbon development; strengthen the environmental and social standards and safeguards of international financial institutions, including those based in emerging economies; and promote the sound management and equitable distribution of benefits derived from natural resources, particularly in Africa.

For full details on this position, go to
<https://careers-wri.icims.com/jobs/1254/job?&sn=Indeed&?mode=apply&iis=Indeed&iisn=Indeed>.

Director, Correlates of War Project

Applications are now being accepted for Director of the Correlates of War (COW) Project, among the largest and most prominent data collection projects on international conflict in the world. The position is for a three-year term (renewable) beginning January 1, 2013. The position does not include compensation from COW.

Qualified candidates should have a distinguished scholarly record in international conflict studies, experience in data collection and management, and a commitment from a home institution to provide necessary research support.

Further details about the Correlates of War Project can be found here:
<http://www.correlatesofwar.org/>.

Applications, nominations, and queries should be sent to
Paul Diehl at pdiehl@illinois.edu.

Institute for Economics and Peace Research Fellow
Full Time, Sydney, Australia

IEP Research Fellows conduct research on topics related to the Global Peace Index, peace economics, development studies, and peace and conflict studies. This includes writing, advanced statistical analysis, participation and leadership in the dissemination, communication, and presentation of IEP research findings both domestically and internationally. Ideal candidates will have a deep interest in peace and development issues, be open-minded to multidisciplinary approaches in the social sciences, and be well-traveled.

To find more information about the research fellowship and how to apply, go to <http://economicsandpeace.org/about-us/jobs-and-internships#.T8xW2tzUXMg.twitter>.

EPS Publications

EPS Quarterly, March 2012 – *The Economics of Regime Change Issue*

This issue contains summaries of the proceedings from the *Economics of Regime Change* session at the January 2012ASSA/AEA annual meeting in Chicago, Illinois.

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- Local Foundations for Strong Democracy
Roger Myerson
- Who Profited from the Iraq War?
Linda Bilmes
- The Economics of Arab Spring: A view from Egypt
Hamid Ali
- Women in Transitions
Jennifer Olmstead
- Report from the South American Spring
Mark Weisbrot

Read this issue of EPS Quarterly at

<http://epsusa.org/publications/newsletter/2012/mar2012/mar2012.pdf>.

Audio recordings from the session can be found at

<http://www.epsusa.org/events/aea.htm>.

The Economics of Peace and Security Journal Vol. 7, No. 1 – *On Algeria, airlines and the onset of peace*

January 2012

This issue contains articles on Algeria, the global airline industry, the duration of war and the onset of peace, and the final installment of their trilogy on the Austrian school's views on war and peace.

Contents:

[The onset of peace](#)

Ron Smith and Ali Tasiran

[Natural resources and military expenditure: the case of Algeria](#)

Sam Perlo-Freeman and Jennifer Brauner

[Terrorism, war, and global air traffic](#)

Jurgen Brauer and J. Paul Dunne

[War and the Austrian School: Modern Austrian economists take on aggressive wars](#)

William L. Anderson, Scott A. Kjar, and James D. Yohe

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 \$32; for EPS members, it's only \$24! Non-subscribers can access the abstracts and contents pages.

For more information about the Journal or to subscribe:

[http://www.epsjournal.org.uk/.](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>.

Learn more about this issue or subscribe to EPSJ by visiting

<http://www.epsjournal.org.uk/Vol7/No1/issue.php>.

EPS Quarterly, December 2011 – *Pressures on the Paradigm Issue*

This issue contains summaries of the proceedings from the *Pressures on the Paradigm* session at the January 2011ASSA/AEA annual meeting in Denver Colorado, as well as articles from James K. Galbraith, Paul Cantor and Joseph E. Stiglitz.

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- From Tunisia to Wall Street: The Globalization of Protest
Joseph E. Stiglitz
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William K. Black
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Marshall Auerback
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James K. Galbraith
- The Myths of the Market
Paul Cantor
- Europe on the Brink
James K. Galbraith

Read this issue of EPS Quarterly at

<http://epsusa.org/publications/newsletter/2011/dec2011/dec2011.pdf>.

Audio recordings from the session are available at

<http://www.epsusa.org/events/aea.htm>.

Action Corner

Urge Congress to finalize a healthy Farm Bill

"Why are we spending billions in taxpayer dollars to subsidize unhealthy junk foods while farmers growing healthy fruits and vegetables get little to no support? Our chance to change all this is now!

"Urge Congress to finalize a Farm Bill that prioritizes healthy food, protects our environment, and supports local economies."

For more information about the Farm Bill, see

http://www.ucsusa.org/food_and_agriculture/solutions/big_picture_solutions/the-2012-farm-bill.html.

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_9o8t91.app20a.

Do you have a foreign policy alternative that should be heard in the halls of government?

Citizens for Global Solutions Political Action Committee (Global Solutions PAC) works to elect federal candidates who support building effective democratic global institutions that will apply the rule of law while respecting the diversity and autonomy of national and local communities.

Learn more about Global Solutions PAC at

<http://globalsolutions.org/>.

To access the email or ground mail addresses of your representatives in Congress or the Senate, enter your zipcode at

<http://congress.org/congressorg/directory/congdir.tt>.

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

- **June 16 – July 14, 2012** The 2012 Bologna Italy Symposium on Conflict Prevention, Resolution & Reconciliation will be hosted by The International Peace and Security Institute in cooperation with Johns Hopkins University Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS). The Symposium will bring together the globe's brightest young minds from top graduate institutions, NGOs, international organizations, grassroots peace movements, and the armed services. Over a four-week period, from June 16 through July 14, participants will undergo intensive training by the field's premier political leaders, academic experts, practitioners, and advocates in the practical skills necessary to foster peace and security in their communities and the world.

To learn more or to apply for the Symposium, visit

<http://ipsinstitute.org/bologna2012/>.

- **June 18 – 20, 2012** Take Back The American Dream Conference 2012, to be held in Washington DC, will be tackling some pressing questions:
 - How do we compel candidates to embrace a jobs agenda big enough to end our economic crisis?
 - How can we stop unlimited corporate campaign cash from buying this election?
 - How many progressive champions can we help win in congressional, state and local races?
 - How will we take back our democracy – to Take Back the American Dream?

For more details or to register for the conference, see

<http://www.ourfuture.org/conference/2012/main>.

- **June 21 – 22, 2012** The Sixteenth International Conference on Economics and Security will be held in Cairo, Egypt, hosted by Economists for Peace and Security (Egypt), and the American University in Cairo.

A timeline for the conference is available at

<http://conf.aucegypt.edu/ICES-2012>.

For more details, contact Hamid E. Ali: hali@aucegypt.edu.

- **June 25, 2012 A Conversation with Deputy Assistant Secretary for Space and Defense Policy Frank Rose: On Missile Defense and European Security**
The American Security Project cordially invites you to a lunchtime discussion with Deputy Assistant Secretary for Space and Defense Policy Frank Rose. This on-the-record discussion will be held in Washington DC at 1100 New York Ave, NW, Suite 710W - Conference Room E.

Please RSVP by June 22 to
events@americansecurityproject.org

- **June 25 – 27, 2012 The 12th Jan Tinbergen European Peace Science Conference**, and annual meeting of the Network of European Peace Scientists (NEPS), will be held at the DIW Berlin, Department of Development and Security, Mohrenstr. 58, 10117 Berlin, Germany.

Details about the conference can be found here:
<http://www.europeanpeacescientists.org/jan.html>.

- **June 29 – July 3, 2012 The 87th annual Western Economics Association International conference** will be held in San Francisco, California at the Hilton San Francisco Union Square.

Find out more and/or register for the WEAI conference at
<http://weai.org/AnnualConf>.

- **July 21 – August 18, 2012 The Hague Symposium on Post-Conflict Transitions & International Justice** will be hosted by The International Peace and Security Institute in partnership with the Clingendael Institute of International Relations. The Symposium will be held in The Netherlands, and will bring together 60–80 of the world's brightest young minds from top law schools, graduate institutions, international organizations, judiciaries, grassroots justice movements, and the military. Over a four-week period, participants will undergo intensive training from the field's premier political leaders, academic experts, practitioners, and advocates in the skills necessary to holistically restructure a society after the cessation of violent conflict and/or authoritarian rule, as well as bring those responsible for human rights violations to justice. Participants will gain a broad understanding of this emerging field, including concepts, controversies, and institutions, as well as critically examine the historical and contemporary uses of different justice interventions through direct interactions with the actual decision makers.

For more information or to apply for the symposium, visit
<http://ipsinstitute.org/the-hague-2012>.

- **October 19 – 20, 2012 Conflict Studies Conference: The New Generation of Ideas, Ninth Biennial Graduate Student Conference** organized by the UMass Boston Graduate Programs in Conflict Resolution, Conflict Studies.

The New Generation of Ideas brings together graduate students from a variety of fields to present their work and share ideas. Since 1996, graduate students and recent graduates from universities across the United States, Canada, and numerous other countries have gathered in Boston for this biennial event.

Full details on the event are available here:
http://www.umb.edu/academics/mgs/crhsgg/conflict_studies_conference/.

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