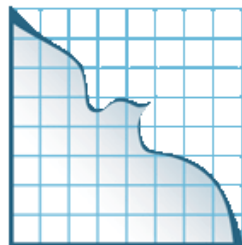


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It is easier to lead men to combat, stirring up their passion, than to restrain them and direct them toward the patient labors of peace.

-Andre Gide

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EPS News

Who's Afraid of the Fiscal Cliff?

An EPS/Bernard Schwartz Public Symposium

Who's Afraid of the Fiscal Cliff? A public symposium co-sponsored by the New America Foundation was held November 13, 2012, at the Hyatt Regency Washington DC, Capitol Hill, 400 New Jersey Avenue, NW, Washington DC, 20001.

The event was broadcast live on C-SPAN2, and covered by several other news agencies.

For more details, press coverage, and video, visit

<http://www.epsusa.org/events/1112conf/fiscalcliff.htm>.

EPS at the ASSA/AEA Annual Meetings

San Diego, CA, January 4 – 6, 2013

Economists for Peace and Security will host two sessions, and a dinner in honor of Michael Intriligator, at the ASSA/AEA Annual meetings in San Diego, January 4 – 6, 2013.

Session I:

January 4, 2013 10:15am, Manchester Grand Hyatt, Randle B, San Diego

"Up from Here? Challenges and Barriers to Recovery from the Crisis"

Panel Moderator: James Galbraith (University of Texas-Austin)
Kenneth Arrow (Stanford University)
Robert Gordon (Northwestern University)
Eric Laursen (Independent Journalist)
Yanis Varoufakis (University of Athens)

Session II:

January 4, 2013 2:30pm, Manchester Grand Hyatt, Ford B, San Diego

"Is War Over? The Economics of National Security after Iraq and Afghanistan"

Panel Moderator: Michael Lind (New America Foundation)
Linda Bilmes (Harvard University)
Richard Kaufman (Bethesda Research Institute)
Lloyd J. Dumas (University of Texas-Dallas)
J. Paul Dunne (University of Cape Town)

Dinner in honor of Michael Intriligator

January 5, 2013 6:30pm – 10:00pm, Manchester Grand Hyatt, San Diego

Find more information about EPS at the ASSA/AEA and other events:

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

Call for Papers : 17th Annual International Conference on Economics and Security, Stockholm, June 14 & 15, 2013

SIPRI (Stockholm International Peace Research Institute) is pleased to announce the 17th Annual International Conference on Economics and Security. The conference is co-organized by SIPRI and Economists for Peace and Security. The conference program will include research papers selected based on the call for proposals, with a mix of plenary sessions and parallel workshop streams on particular research areas. Some of these sessions will seek to bring together SIPRI researchers and conference participants on issues related to SIPRI's areas of research.

If you would like to present a paper, please send a title and an abstract of less than 300 words before April 1, 2013.

Further information about the call for papers can be found here:

http://www.sipri.org/research/armaments/milex/ICES2013/call_for_papersold.

Papers should be sent to Sam Perlo-Freeman at

perlo-freeman@sipri.org.

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

EPS 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](#)

A Guide to Statistics on Historical Trends in Income Inequality

By Chad Stone, Danilo Trisi and Arloc Sherman, October 23, 2012, for [Center on Budget and Policy Priorities](#)

"The broad facts of income inequality over the past six decades are easily summarized:

- The years from the end of World War II into the 1970s were ones of substantial economic growth and broadly shared prosperity.
 - Incomes grew rapidly and at roughly the same rate up and down the income ladder, roughly doubling in inflation-adjusted terms between the late 1940s and early 1970s.
 - The income gap between those high up the income ladder and those on the middle and lower rungs – while substantial – did not change much during this period.
- Beginning in the 1970s, economic growth slowed and the income gap widened.
 - Income growth for households in the middle and lower parts of the distribution slowed sharply, while incomes at the top continued to grow strongly.
 - The concentration of income at the very top of the distribution rose to levels last seen more than 80 years ago (during the "Roaring Twenties").
- Wealth (the value of a household's property and financial assets net of the value of its debts) is much more highly concentrated than income, although the wealth data do not show a dramatic *increase* in concentration at the very top the way the income data do.

"Data from a variety of sources contribute to this broad picture of strong growth and shared prosperity for the early postwar period, followed by slower growth and growing inequality since the 1970s. Within these broad trends, however, different data tell slightly different parts of the story (and no single source of data is better for all purposes than the others)."

Read the full article here:

<http://www.cbpp.org/cms/index.cfm?fa=view&id=3629>.

[Links](#)

Rebalancing Our National Security - The Benefits of Implementing a Unified Security Budget A Center for American Progress report

"During a new century in which a military approach to security has taken precedence over US national security policy as a whole, absorbing a larger share of federal resources, we need a unified conception of security, one which can be achieved through a balance between the strategies of 'offense' (military forces), 'defense' (homeland security), and 'prevention' (nonmilitary international engagement)."

For more information and to read the full report, see

<http://www.americanprogress.org/issues/security/report/2012/10/31/43074/rebalancing-our-national-security/>.

Call for Papers: Conflict, Crime and Violence in Colombia

For a special issue to be published in *Peace Economics, Peace Science and Public Policy* in 2013. Juan Vargas and Raul Caruso will serve as editors of this special issue.

The special issue is intended to gather contributions from different disciplines within social science, on diverse topics and methodological perspectives regarding conflict and crime in Colombia. Papers may be theoretical or

empirical and should highlight their contribution to a better understanding of the kind of social phenomena that constitute an obstacle for a resilient peace in Colombia.

Manuscripts will be subject to a conventional refereeing process.

Submission deadline is March 31, 2013.

Papers should be sent to Juan Vargas at juan.f.vargas@gmail.com

Funding & Employment Opportunities

PhD in Peace Studies

Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, University of Notre Dame, Indiana

The program is designed to empower students to become outstanding scholars and teachers who will make important contributions to a growing body of peacebuilding knowledge and practice that will, in the long run, alleviate violence and human suffering.

Doctoral students are prepared for a wide range of scholarly, teaching, and professional positions, including interdisciplinary academic positions; positions in which employers seek expertise in the peace and conflict subfields of history, political science, psychology, sociology, or theology; and scholar-practitioner positions in intergovernmental, governmental, or nongovernmental organizations.

The Kroc Institute welcomes applications from students of high academic ability who seek a doctoral degree in history and peace studies, political science and peace studies, psychology and peace studies, sociology and peace studies, or theology and peace studies. Highly qualified men and women from all regions of the world and from diverse religious and secular traditions are sought.

The PhD program is highly competitive, typically accepting 4-5 new doctoral students each year across all five disciplines.

Additional information about this position and the PhD program can be found at <http://kroc.nd.edu/phd>.

OECD Young Professionals Programme 2013

The OECD (Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development) Young Professionals Programme is designed to bring entry-level professionals with diverse backgrounds into the Organization. A number of stimulating and challenging assignments are available for the Young Professionals who will join the OECD in 2013. Candidates interested in the objectives of the OECD in promoting international policy cooperation, understand the issues involved in international work, and who possess the analytical and drafting skills which enable them to contribute to policy-related studies.

Candidates must have the nationality of an OECD member country and have been born after January 1, 1980.

For details, go to

<http://www.oecd.org/careers/oecdyoungprofessionalsprogramme.htm>.

EPS Publications

The Economics of Peace and Security Journal Vol. 7, No. 2 – On Afghanistan, Rwanda, Punjab July 2012

Contents:

[Does development assistance reduce violence? Evidence from Afghanistan](#)

CHOU, Tiffany

[Intimate partner violence, female employment, and male backlash in Rwanda](#)

FINNOFF, Kade

[Designing institutions for global security](#)

GUPTA, Rupayan

[Insurgency, crime, and agricultural labor expenditure: Evidence from Punjab, 1978-1990](#)

SINGH, Prakarsh

[Analyzing the costs of military engagement](#)

DE GROOT, Olaf J.

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.

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

Learn more about this issue by visiting

<http://www.epsjournal.org.uk/Vol7/No2/issue.php>.

EPS Quarterly, September 2012 – *The Inequality Issue*

The issue of inequality is a central one in this year's US presidential race. Should we be taxing the very rich more, or giving them tax breaks? Whom should we tax and how much, in order to create jobs – the point of job creation being (presumably) to lower inequality?

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- America's prosperity requires a level playing field
Joseph Stiglitz
- The Complex Ties among Poverty, Development, and Security
Terra Lawson-Remer
- Group Inequality and Conflict: Some Insights for Peacebuilding
Michelle Swearingen
- Inequality: A few comments from the front lines
James K. Galbraith
- With Income Inequality Comes Violence
US News Staff

Read this issue of EPS Quarterly at

<http://epsusa.org/publications/newsletter/2012/sept2012/sept2012.pdf>

EPS Quarterly, June 2012 – *The Sustainability Issue*

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

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- Sustainable Growth
Robert J. Gordon

- Sustainable Energy
J. Barkley Rosser, Jr.
- Sustainable Jobs
Allen Sinai
- Sustainable European Union
Richard Parker

Read this issue of EPS Quarterly at

<http://epsusa.org/publications/newsletter/2012/jun2012/jun2012.pdf>.

Audio recordings from the session are available at

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

Action Corner

As warmongering escalates, the US and Israeli military and intelligence establishment continues to speak out against an attack on Iran, warning that bombing Iran could result in a catastrophic regional war and would encourage Iran to develop nuclear weapons.

Many of the same politicians and pundits who misled the United States into invading Iraq are now clamoring for a new war of choice.

President Obama and Congress should do everything in their power to prevent war with Iran, support diplomacy, and speak out on the following points:

- Top military leaders and national security experts agree: diplomacy is the most effective way to prevent a devastating war and a nuclear-armed Iran. As Yuval Diskin, Israel's ex-Chief of Internal Security has warned, "Attacking Iran will encourage them to develop a bomb."
- US and Israeli intelligence agree: Iran is not building a nuclear weapon and has not made a decision to do so, allowing time for diplomacy to prevent a nuclear-armed Iran.
- Diplomacy with Iran is not a sprint, it's a marathon, and as the 8/14/12 New York Times editorial pointed out, "There is still time for intensified diplomacy. It would be best served if the major powers stay united and Israeli leaders temper loose talk of war."

For more information about this issue, and to send an email to President Obama and your representatives, see

<http://capwiz.com/fconl/issues/alert/?alertid=61734841>.

Get the word out on the topics that matter most to you!

When freedom is under attack in Congress and state legislatures, an engaged populace is its first line of defense. Take action on current issues and let lawmakers know that you want them to protect your civil liberties. The ACLU website offers a list of key issues and actions you can take to make your voice heard. It also offers a tool with which to check your elected officials' voting record, and the ACLU Congressional Scorecard.

Check out the ACLU list of topics, your representatives' votes, and the Congressional Scorecard here:

<http://www.aclu.org/action-center>.

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.

To learn more about Global Solutions PAC, visit

<http://globalsolutions.org/>.

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

- **December 3 – 4, 2012** The 8th Annual Households in Conflict Network Workshop and 2nd AMSE Economic Development Conference, jointly organized by the Aix-Marseille School of Economics and the Households in Conflict Network, will take place in Aix-en-Provence France.

This year's workshop will focus on the relationship between violent conflict and socio-economic development. Submissions that address key issues in conflict and economic development analysis are invited, as well as submissions from other disciplines on the usual HiCN topics around the empirical analysis of violent conflict from a micro-level perspective. Theoretical papers about violent conflict issues are also welcome. Submissions should be in English, and be completed but unpublished papers. Submissions by early stage researchers are encouraged.

Find workshop information and calls for papers at either of these sites:

http://www.hicn.org/wordpress/?page_id=24.

<http://www.thehivefcv.org/Pages/BuzzIndi.aspx?bid=16>

- **December 18 – 19, 2012** Fourth Conference on Conflict Management Peace Economics and Peace Science hosted in cooperation with Mahatma Gandhi Center for Conflict Prevention and Management - Department of Sociology, Mahatma Gandhi Kashi Vidyapith, Varanasi (UP), India Binghamton University, State University of New York at Binghamton at Mahatma Gandhi Kashi Vidyapith, Varanasi (UP), India.

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Find more specifics about the upcoming sessions at
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See our involvement in past ASSA/AEA Annual Meetings at
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For detailed information about the conference call for papers, go to
http://www.sipri.org/research/armaments/milex/ICES2013/call_for_papers.

- **June 24 – 26, 2013** The 13th Jan Tinbergen European Peace Science Conference will be held in Milan, Italy.

The Jan Tinbergen Conference is interdisciplinary. Presentations that address any issue relating to peace and security broadly defined are welcome. As in the past, the conference strives for a multi-disciplinary program comprising contributions with a wide range of theoretical and methodological approaches, including strictly theoretical work, game theory and formal modeling, statistical and econometric analysis, qualitative studies, and experiments.

For more information about the conference, visit
<http://www.europeanpeacescientists.org/jan.html>.

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