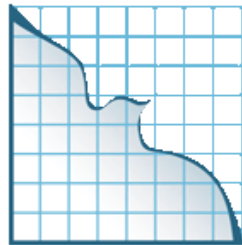


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Peace is not merely a distant goal that we seek, but a means by which we arrive at that goal.

-Martin Luther King, Jr.

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EPS News

PEACE ECONOMICS

A Macroeconomic Primer for Violence-Afflicted States

By EPS fellows Jurgen Brauer and J. Paul Dunne, for the United States Institute of Peace

Creating sound economic policy and a stable macroeconomic framework is essential to societies recovering from violent conflict, yet few practitioners have the background needed to apply economic concepts effectively. To provide practitioners with a concise but broad overview of macroeconomic fundamentals as they touch on violence afflicted states, Brauer and Dunne have coauthored *Peace Economics*. Filling a gap in the literature on peace design from an economic perspective, *Peace Economics* extends beyond economic principles into the wider realm of social reconstitution, social contract, and social capital in the hopes of helping practitioners build a more stable peace.

Peace Economics is the first volume of the US Institute of Peace Academy Guides, a series developed by the Institute's Academy for International Conflict Management and Peacebuilding.

For more information about *Peace Economics*, see

<http://bookstore.usip.org/books/BookDetail.aspx?productID=321925>.

What is the Cost of Containing Violence in the United States?

Americans are inundated daily with news of violence both at home and abroad. While violence has an enormous impact on the social fabric of the US, the full economic toll is not well understood. The Institute for Economics and Peace (IEP) and Economists for Peace & Security (EPS) invite you to attend a presentation by Daniel Hyslop, IEP's Research Manager, on the upcoming IEP report on Violence Containment Spending in the United States. The

findings present the first comprehensive account of the public and private expenditure on containing and dealing with the consequences of violence.

When: September 20, 2012
12:30-2:00pm
Light lunch will be served

Where: Institute for Economics and Peace
3 East 54th Street (between Madison and 5th Avenues)
14th Floor
New York, NY 10022

RSVP: All attendees **must** RSVP by September 18th to mbreslauer@economicsandpeace.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

"Memo to the Punditocracy: Public Sector Jobs Are Real Jobs!"

Full employment should be front and center on our national agenda. So why are even liberals attacking public jobs and vocations?

By Marshall Auerback, September 12, 2012, for *Alternet*

"In 1976 at a time when economists thought more about unemployment, the US economist Charles C. Killingsworth wrote a paper entitled '*Should full employment be a major national goal?*' He was a long-time advocate of public employment programs and understood how deficient the economics profession was when it came to caring about people.

"I thought about this paper recently upon reading an article in the Daily Beast by the always insightful Michael Tomasky, '[The Real Obama Needs to Fight Five GOP Myths About the Imaginary Obama](#).' Tomasky discusses the myths that Obama needs to dispel during his party's upcoming convention. One in particular caught my attention: the idea that the President needed to confront the myth that he allegedly believes that jobs comes from government.

"What's wrong about that? In one sense, it is a myth: to the extent that jobs are an outgrowth of sales, which are a function of aggregate demand, it is wrong to say that the public sector per se creates jobs. But demand (and, by extension, sales) is more robust when employment rates are higher and, in that sense, it matters not to the restaurant owner, or the engineering firm, whether the source of that demand comes from a private or public sector job. The teacher's cash is just as good at the cash register as the accountant's."

Read the full article here:

<http://www.alternet.org/economy/memo-punditocracy-public-sector-jobs-are-real-jobs>.

Implementation of the National Action Plan on Women, Peace, and Security

United States Department of State, August 2012

The report released by the State Department details the role of women in preventing conflict and building peace throughout the world in areas plagued by violence, insecurity and war. Executive Order 13595, "Instituting a National Action Plan on Women, Peace, and Security," describes the role of the United States Government in working for women and peacebuilding through three avenues: advancing the role of women in peacebuilding activities, protecting women from violence based on their gender, and ensuring equal access to resources in conflict areas. The document offers guidance for the State Department, US embassies and consulates in advancing the order's directives through multiple methods, including bilateral and multilateral relationships across sectors, targeted leveraging of resources and comprehensive information from diverse sources.

Read the report at

[http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?e=001xdcJOtmcXY70-Slz6vznDN9Hlj4TtQMaj-KiHDU9swKUBlb8HHcS - DvSjXhgFS7AluxyvDx7TjcPiweflSnnOna_9KcY8lk1XQzIQ!4W69nv2rpsMUodl6T9NzBQH3UT5IWsaAjNiAZiffxvdWuaW-nXbwPqRyLz](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?e=001xdcJOtmcXY70-Slz6vznDN9Hlj4TtQMaj-KiHDU9swKUBlb8HHcS-DvSjXhgFS7AluxyvDx7TjcPiweflSnnOna_9KcY8lk1XQzIQ!4W69nv2rpsMUodl6T9NzBQH3UT5IWsaAjNiAZiffxvdWuaW-nXbwPqRyLz).

Links

Surviving the Peace

A short film by Rick Gershon, and Nathan Golon for MAG America

Surviving the Peace takes an intimate look at the impact of unexploded bombs left over from the Vietnam war in Laos and profiles the dangerous yet life-saving work that the Mines Advisory Group (MAG) has undertaken in the country.

Surviving the Peace is a story of devastation and hope. The film follows a family devastated by unexploded ordnance (UXO), and then shows MAG's fight to rid Laos and so many countries of landmines and UXO. For a family whose land was cleared, there is hope for prosperity as that family now can farm their land and pursue a better future. This film was shot on location in Laos in May 2011. MAG America employee Patricia Loria accompanied filmmakers Rick Gershon and Nathan Golon from MediaStorm for the filming in this beautiful country.

To watch *Surviving the Peace*, go to

<http://magamerica.org/survivingthepeace>.

Funding & Employment Opportunities

Visiting Research Fellowships

Kroc Institute Notre Dame University, Indiana, US

The Kroc Institute's Visiting Research Fellows Program seeks to bring outstanding scholars focused on peace research to the University of Notre Dame during each academic year. Fellows conduct research related to an existing Institute emphasis while participating fully in the life of the Institute.

For the 2013-14 academic year, the Institute seeks applications for research from scholars focusing on the following topics:

Peace Processes: peace processes, peacebuilding in the context of armed conflict, and post-conflict transformation. Preference will be given to scholars able to make use of the [Peace Accords Matrix](#) and similar academic tools in order to gain insights into conflict mediation.

Religion, Conflict and Peacebuilding: the nexus between religion, conflict and peacebuilding. Preference will be given to candidates working on theoretical and conceptual questions in this growing field of inquiry, and to candidates who are researching issues relevant to the [Contending Modernities](#) research project.

For full details on these positions, visit
<http://kroc.nd.edu/research/grants-fellowships/visiting-research-fellowships>.

Associate Program Officer

The Stanley Foundation, Muscatine, Iowa, US

The Stanley Foundation seeks an associate program officer for its Policy and Outreach Department. The chosen candidate will conceptualize, design, and implement programming that focuses on strengthening multilateral approaches to peace and security, building support for multilateralism, and promoting cooperation among established and emerging powers in a variety of global governance venues. Foundation programming in this area relies heavily on expert dialogues (dialogues include US and foreign officials, influential scholars, journalists, and NGO leaders). It also includes analysis and a wide variety of communication and advocacy activities to develop and build support for specific policy initiatives.

More information on the position can be found at
<http://www.stanleyfoundation.org/assocprogoffannounce2012.cfm>.

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://www.epsjournal.org.uk/>.

To become a member of EPS (and 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/No2/issue.php>.

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/jun201.pdf>.

Audio recordings from the session are available at

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

Action Corner

International Day of Peace

The International Day of Peace, a.k.a. "Peace Day," provides an opportunity for individuals, organizations and nations to create [practical acts of peace](#) on a shared date.

It was established by a [United Nations](#) resolution in 1981 to coincide with the opening of the General Assembly. The first Peace Day was celebrated in September 1982.

In 2002 the General Assembly officially declared September 21 as the permanent date for the International Day of Peace.

By creating the International Day of Peace, the UN devoted itself to worldwide peace and encouraged all of mankind to work in cooperation for this goal.

Learn more about how you can participate in "Peace Day" by visiting

<http://cultureofpeace.org/idp>.

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 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

- **September 18 – 20, 2012 Peace and Conflict: An International Interdisciplinary Conference** hosted by the Conflict Research Society and The Centre for Peace and Reconciliation Studies at Coventry University. The conference embraces theory, evidence and practice, and 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.

The 2012 conference carries forward the work of the annual conferences that have been running since 2003. Tuesday and Wednesday constitute the core of the conference and follow the pattern of previous years. Newly added this year is Thursday, for those who have a special interest in the scientific study of peace and conflict.

Further details about the conference are at

<http://www.conflictresearchsociety.org.uk/2012%20CRS%20Annual%20Conference.html>.

- **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/crhs/gg/conflict_studies_conference/.

- **October 26 – 27, 2012 Twenty-Third BREAD Conference on Development Economics**, sponsored by University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, (Department of Business Economics and Public Policy, Ross School of Business; Department of Economics; Ford School of Public Policy; International Policy Center, Ford School; Population Studies Center, Institute for Social Research; and William Davidson Institute) Bureau for Research and Economic Analysis of Development (BREAD) and Hewlett Foundation at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.

View the full program here:

<http://ipl.econ.duke.edu/bread/conferences/cf23/cfAnnouncement.php?w=1680&h=920>.

- **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.

Workshop information and calls for papers can be found 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.

For more information about the conference, contact

Ravi Prakash Pandey, Mahatma Gandhi Kashi Vidyapith, Varanasi (UP), India -
ravisociology@rediffmail.com

- **January 4 – 6, 2013 The ASSA/AEA Annual Meetings will be held in San Diego, CA.**
EPS will host two sessions during the Annual Meetings, as well as hosting a dinner in Honor of EPS Vice-Chair Michael Intriligator.

Session I

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

Moderator: Michael Lind (New America Foundation)

Linda Bilmes (Harvard University)

Richard Kaufman (Bethesda Research Institute)

Lloyd J. Dumas (University of Texas at Dallas)

J. Paul Dunne (University of Cape Town)

Session II

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

Moderator: James K. Galbraith (University of Texas at Austin)

Kenneth Arrow (Stanford University)

Robert Gordon (Northwestern University)

Eric Laursen (Independent Journalist)

Yanis Varoufakis (University of Athens)

Find more information about our involvement at past ASSA/AEA Annual Meetings at

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

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