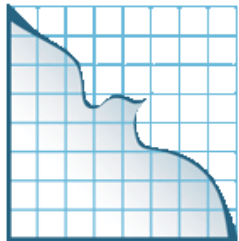


## NewsNotes

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# ECONOMISTS for PEACE & SECURITY

*"We will pay for this one way or another... We will pay to reduce greenhouse gas emissions today, and we'll have to take an economic hit of some kind. Or, we will pay the price later in military terms. And that will involve human lives. There will be a human toll."*

*~Retired Marine Corps General Anthony C. Zinni, former commander of US forces in the Middle East.*

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### EPS News

#### EPS, Bernard L. Schwartz Symposium: *The Economic and Security Future*

November 17, 2014  
Hyatt Regency Capitol Hill, Washington DC

As national attention pivots away from the mid-terms and back to the real world, EPS will present a packed and provocative tour of the major issues immediately ahead. On the international front, this Bernard Schwartz symposium will address the deepening crisis in Iraq and Syria, the tensions with Russia and in the Far East. On the domestic side, it will provide a post-election assessment of the economic outlook, including for growth, jobs and wages, and a discussion of major challenges facing the country and this administration in its final two years. Damon Silver will deliver the keynote address. There will be three panels, with participation from many of America's most distinguished policy economists and security specialists, including James Galbraith, Steve Clemons, Allen Sinai, and Marshall Auerback.

*Please join us for this important symposium.*

#### Schedule of Events:

8:30am - Registration & Breakfast

9:00am - Welcoming Remarks

- James K. Galbraith, Economists for Peace and Security

9:10 - 10:15 - **Session One** - *World Security Situation - Russia, Iraq and Syria and Beyond*

- Carl Conetta, Project on Defense Alternatives
- Bill Hartung, Center for International Policy
- Peter Galbraith
- Heather Hurlburt, National Security Network (invited)

10:15 - 10:50 - **Keynote**

- *Damon Silvers, Policy Director, AFL-CIO*

10:50 - 11:55 - **Session Two** - *Growth and Jobs*

- James K. Galbraith, Economists for Peace and Security
- Bill Spriggs, AFL-CIO
- Allen Sinai, Decision Economics
- Stephanie Kelton, University of Missouri - Kansas City

11:55 - 1:00 - **Session Three: Agenda Ahead: Climate, Infrastructure, Finance and Security**

- Rachel Cleetus, Union of Concerned Scientists
- Michael Lind, New America Foundation
- Marshall Auerback, Institute for New Economic Thinking
- Steve Clemons, The Washington Note

*Please join us for this important symposium.*

To register for this free event, email [registration@epsusa.org](mailto:registration@epsusa.org).

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## EPS - France Upcoming Events

### International Conference "The future of the European defense industry at stake"

November 6 - 7, 2014, Grenoble, France

The elections of the European Parliament and the appointment of a new Commission open new perspectives on the construction of the European defense and the evolution of defense industrial and technological base. There are several issues at stake, since defense budgets are increasingly under pressure, defense markets are far from integrated, states are reluctant to engage in a genuine policy of cooperation and harmonization.

This conference will propose a **multidisciplinary approach** by combining economics (industrial restructuring, arms trade, etc.), law (arms export controls, the role of the state in the industry, etc.) and international relations (intra-European transatlantic relations, etc.).

Please note this is a French speaking event.

**More information available here:**

<http://www.defense-realms.com/events/event-2014/>.

### 19<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Economics and Security

June 25 - 27, 2015, Grenoble, France

ENSTA Bretagne (Brest), University Pierre Mendès France (Grenoble) and the Institut d'Etudes Politiques of Grenoble are pleased to announce that the **19<sup>th</sup> Annual International Conference on Economics and Security** will be held in **Grenoble, France, on June 25-27, 2015**. The conference is co-organized with Economists for Peace and Security.

Proposed topics include:

- Economics of conflict and war
- Post-conflict reconstruction
- Economics of the arms trade
- Procurement and offsets

- Economics of security
- Globalisation and the restructuring of the MIC
- Security sector reform
- Arms races and alliances
- Peace economics and peace science
- Economics of terrorism, etc.

Call for papers is available here:

<http://www.defense-realms.com/events/event-2015/>.

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### EPS at the AEA / ASSA meetings

*Boston, Massachusetts, January 3 – 5, 2015, Boston Marriott Copley Place*

**"Inequality: Challenge of the Century?" (Panel discussion)**

January 3, 2015 2:30pm, Boston Marriott Copley Place, Grand Ballroom - Salon E

- **Panel Moderator:** James K. Galbraith (EPS)
- Olivier Giovannoni (Bard College)
- Branko Milanovic (CUNY)
- Stephen Rose
- Joseph Stiglitz (Columbia University)

**US-Russia: Avoiding a New Cold War, Session in honor of Michael Intriligator**  
(Panel discussion)

January 4, 2015 10:15am, Boston Marriott Copley Place, Grand Ballroom - Salons J&K

- **Panel Moderator:** Richard Kaufman (Bethesda Research Institute)
- Ruslan Grinberg (Russian Academy of Science)
- Aleksandr Nekipelov (Russian Academy of Science)
- Sergey Shakin (Moscow School of Economics)
- William Hartung (Center for International Policy)
- Michael Lind (New America Foundation)
- Robert Skidelsky (Warwick University)
- Jeffrey Sachs (Columbia University)

**Dinner in honor of Robert Skidelsky**

January 4, 2015 6:30pm Boston Marriott Copley Place

In order to attend EPS sessions you must register to attend The AEA\ASSA Conference.

For more details see,

<https://www.aeaweb.org/>.

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### The Economics of Peace and Security Journal, Volume 9, Number 2

(October 2014)

*Afghanistan, Burundi, Cyprus, South Africa, and anti-corruption in the defense sector*

This issue contains several case studies. Travers B. Child writes on the relative lack of effectiveness of US reconstruction spending in Afghanistan. Topher McDougal and Lars Almquist write on an agricultural cooperative in civil-war afflicted Burundi. Omer Goksecus, Claire Finnegan, and Huseyin Cakal write on beekeepers in northern Cyprus. And Jeremy Seekings and Kai Thaler write on violence in Cape Town. In addition, Oliver Cover and Saad Mustafa report on a study of Transparency International's anti-corruption index in the defense and security sector.

#### Table of Contents

- *The effects of agricultural cooperatives on land conflicts, violence, and community trust: Household-level evidence from rural Burundi*  
Topher L. McDougal, Lars Almquist
- *External actors' role in solving local collective action problems in a post-conflict setting: A case study of Turkish Cypriot beekeepers*

Omer Gokcekus, Clare Finnegan, Huseyin Cakal

- **Identifying corruption risks in the defense and security sector: Empirical evidence using the Government Defense Anti-Corruption Index**

Oliver Cover, Saad Mustafa

- **Violence and socioeconomic conditions in Cape Town**

Jeremy Seekings, Kai Thaler

- **Hearts and minds cannot be bought: Ineffective reconstruction in Afghanistan**

Travers Barclay Child

The *Journal* is a peer-reviewed online publication hosted by EPS. Published twice yearly, it raises and debates 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 50% discount on the annual subscription to the *Economics of Peace and Security Journal*. A regular one-year subscription is \$50; for EPS members, it's only \$25!

For more information about the *Journal* or to subscribe:

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

To become a member of EPS (and qualify for the subscription discount):

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

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Like EPS at

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

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Keep up with EPS at

[www.linkedin.com/groups?gid=2009987&trk=anetsrch\\_name&goback=.gdr\\_1263369639671\\_1](http://www.linkedin.com/groups?gid=2009987&trk=anetsrch_name&goback=.gdr_1263369639671_1).

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## In Other News

### **New Research Shows Pollution Inequality in American Even Worse Than Income Inequality**

By Lynn Stuart Parramore for *Alternet*, October 3, 2014

*If you are poor or non-white, inequality is in the air you breathe.*

James K. Boyce, professor of economics at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, directs the environment program of the Political Economy Research Institute. His research focuses on the impacts of inequalities of wealth and power and the dynamics of conflict and includes the Toxic 100 Air Polluters, an index identifying the top US air

polluters among the world's largest corporations. A 2009 special report by USA Today drew upon Boyce's work, along with EPA data, to create a database exposing air toxicity in schools across the country. In a new study funded by the Institute for New Economic Thinking's Political Economy of Distribution Series, Boyce collaborates with Klara Zwickl and Michael Ash to compare disparities of exposure to industrial air pollution in US states and congressional districts among the poor and non-poor, as well as whites and non-whites. They find that in America, inequality is in the very air we breathe.

Read the full article here:

<http://www.alternet.org/environment/shocking-new-research-shows-pollution-inequality-america-even-worse-income-inequality>.

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## White House exempts Syria airstrikes from tight standards on civilian deaths

By Michael Isikoff for Yahoo News, September 30, 2014

The White House has acknowledged for the first time that strict standards President Obama imposed last year to prevent civilian deaths from US drone strikes will not apply to US military operations in Syria and Iraq.

A White House statement to Yahoo News confirming the looser policy came in response to questions about reports that as many as a dozen civilians, including women and young children, were killed when a Tomahawk missile struck the village of Kafr Daryan in Syria's Idlib province on the morning of Sept. 23.

The village has been described by Syrian rebel commanders as a reported stronghold of the al-Qaida-linked Nusra Front where US officials believed members of the so-called Khorasan group were plotting attacks against international aircraft.

But at a briefing for members and staffers of the House Foreign Affairs Committee late last week, Syrian rebel commanders described women and children being hauled from the rubble after an errant cruise missile destroyed a home for displaced civilians. Images of badly injured children also appeared on YouTube, helping to fuel anti-US protests in a number of Syrian villages last week.

"They were carrying bodies out of the rubble. ... I saw seven or eight ambulances coming out of there," said Abu Abdo Salabman, a political member of one of the Free Syria Army factions, who attended the briefing for Foreign Affairs Committee members and staff. "We believe this was a big mistake."

Read the full article here:

<http://news.yahoo.com/white-house-exempts-syria-airstrikes-from-tight-standards-on-civilian-deaths-183724795.html>.

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## Links

### New SIPRI reports on regional peacekeeping dialogues out now

Researching peace operations in a multipolar world remains a challenge. Some argue that the shift of influence from established to emerging powers runs the risk of destabilizing international conflict management.

While disagreements over international responses to the conflicts in Libya, Syria and Ukraine seem to confirm this, the preliminary results from an ongoing SIPRI research project suggest that consensus between emerging and established powers over the future peace operations landscape remains possible, particularly in Africa.

In 2012 SIPRI's New Geopolitics of Peace Operations Initiative embarked on an examination of the effects of multipolarity on the future of peace operations and conflict management. At its core the initiative aims to better understand the points of view of emerging powers and troop-contributing countries, and to stimulate discussions on peace operations.

To that end, SIPRI and its project partner, the Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung, organized a series of regional dialogue meetings with diplomats, military representatives and academics in eight locations: Addis Ababa, Amman, Astana, Brasilia, Brussels, Hanoi, Kathmandu and Ulan Bator. Reports from each of the dialogue meetings are now available for download from the SIPRI website. The final report will be published in late 2014.

SIPRI's New Geopolitics of Peace Operations Initiative is supported by the Finnish Ministry for Foreign Affairs and is conducted in partnership with the Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung.

**Read more here:**

<http://www.sipri.org/news/new-sipri-reports-on-regional-peacekeeping-dialogues-out-now>.

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## **Funding & Employment Opportunities**

### **Visiting Research Fellowships: Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies University of Notre Dame**

Each year, the Kroc Institute's Visiting Research Fellows Program brings outstanding scholars focused on peace research to the University of Notre Dame for a semester or a full academic year. The Institute particularly seeks scholars who will actively integrate their research with ongoing Kroc research initiatives.

The Kroc Institute seeks applications for 2015-16 Visiting Research Fellows in the following areas:

**Gender, Peacebuilding & Post-Accord Transformation  
Diaspora Communities, Conflict & Peacebuilding  
Peace Studies (open)**

**Full details available here:**

<http://kroc.nd.edu/research/grants-and-fellowships/apply-visiting-research-fellowships>.

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### **Assistant Professor of Peace and Conflict Studies**

Swathmore College, Swathmore, Pennsylvania

The Peace and Conflict Studies Program of Swarthmore College invites applications for a full-time three-year position at the assistant professor level, beginning Fall 2015. Swarthmore College is committed to excellence through diversity in its educational program and employment practices and actively seeks and welcomes applications from candidates with exceptional qualifications, particularly those with demonstrable commitment to a more inclusive society and world. Racial minorities and others from underrepresented groups are strongly encouraged to apply.

**Full position details available here:**

<http://blogs.swarthmore.edu/academics/pcs/2014/09/09/job-opening/>.

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## **EPS Publications**

### **EPS Quarterly, Volume 27, Issue 1 –September 2014 The "Back to Iraq?" Issue**

This issue brings together analysis and discussion of the issues facing the people of Iraq and the world in light of the development of ISIS. These pieces were written in late June through August, and so reflect the shifting situation on the ground. The articles are arranged in chronological order to follow the progression of thought as ISIS developed and changed. The Situation is, of course, complex.

#### **Table of contents**

- ISIS, Iraq, and the War in Syria: Military Outlook - Jeffrey white
- From the Director - Thea Harvey-Barratt
- Organizing Middle East Peace - Chris Patten
- 2014 is Looking a Lot Like 1914 - Jeffrey Sachs
- Responsibility to Protect? - Peter Galbraith
- What Should the US Do in Iraq: Stop What is Counterproductive - Andrew Bacevich
- Can the US Afford Another \$3 Trillion War? - Linda Bilmes

- EPS Iraq Statement

Read the individual articles here:

<http://www.epsusa.org/publications/newsletter/2014/sep14/sep14.html>.

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## ***EPS Quarterly, Volume 26, Issue 2 –June 2014 Costs and Consequences of Austerity Issue***

This issue is comprised of edited transcripts from the session “The Costs and Consequences of Austerity.” presented by EPS at the AEA/ASSA meetings in Philadelphia on January 4, 2014

### **Table of contents**

- Welcoming Remarks - Allen Sinai
- In Search of a Good Fiscal Rule - Olivier Blanchard
- Austerity in Context - Susan Collins
- Austerity and its Discontents - Robert Pollin
- A Menu of Policy Options - Carmen Reinhart
- Beyond the Binary Debate - Robert Zoellick

Read the June issue of EPS Quarterly at

<http://www.epsusa.org/publications/newsletter/2014/june14/june14.pdf>.

Read the individual articles here:

<http://www.epsusa.org/publications/newsletter/2014/june14/june2014.html>.

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## **Action Corner**

### **Nominate a Peacemaker, Change the World**

The Tanenbaum Center for Interreligious Understanding is accepting nominations for 2013-2014 *Peacemaker in Action Award*.

Tanenbaum responds to the wars, religious tensions and sectarian battles that make the world so dangerous by working with religiously motivated men and women who are putting peace into action and working to resolve these conflicts - including those involving religion. These individuals are fueled by faith to stop human suffering and foster reconciliation. These are *Peacemakers in Action*.

To be considered for the *Peacemaker in Action Award* and to become a part of Tanenbaum's *Network*, peacemakers must meet five criteria:

1. Religious Motivation - Their peacemaking has been fueled by teachings from their religious traditions.
2. Armed Conflict - They are dedicated to stopping violent conflict and to sustaining peace in war torn countries.
3. At Risk - They have jeopardized their life or freedom in the pursuit of peace.
4. Locally Based - They are closely connected to the conflict situation "on the ground," at the local level.
5. Relatively Unknown - Despite the significant impact of their efforts, they have generally gone without the recognition and support they deserve.

Awardees Receive:

- Increased public recognition for their efforts and achievements
- \$15,000 to reinforce their work
- Membership in a worldwide practitioners' *Network*
- An in-depth case study describing their religious peacemaking work
- Expert training

Nominations will accepted thru October 17, 2014.

Nominate a Peacemaker here:

<http://tanenbaum.org/peacemakers-in-action-network/peacemaker-projects/>.

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## 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 addresses, phone and fax numbers, or websites of your elected officials in Congress, enter your zip code at

<http://www.contactingthecongress.org/>.

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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](mailto:theaharvey@epsusa.org).

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More information available here:

<http://www.defense-realms.com/events/event-2014/>.

- **November 18 - 20, 2014** The 4th Annual Defense, National Security & Climate Change Symposium will be held at George Washington University, Washington, DC.

Hosted by The Association of Climate Change Officers; The 4th annual Defense, National Security & Climate Change Symposium will focus upon the growing efforts of U.S. defense, intelligence and national security communities on assessing and responding to climate change.

More information available here:

<http://www.climatesecurity.us/index.html>.

- **January 3 - 5, 2015** The American Economics Association Annual Meetings will be held in Boston, MA.

More information available here:

[http://www.aeaweb.org/Annual\\_Meeting/](http://www.aeaweb.org/Annual_Meeting/).

- **January 8 - 11, 2015** Western Economics Association International 11th Pacific Rim Conference will be held at Victoria University of Wellington and Massey University, Wellington, New Zealand.

More information available here:

<http://www.weai.org/index.html>.

- **February 26 - March 1, 2015** The 41st Annual Eastern Economic Association will be held at the Sheraton New York Times Square Hotel, New York, New York.



More information is available here:

<http://www.quinnipiac.edu/eea/41st-annual-conference/>.

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