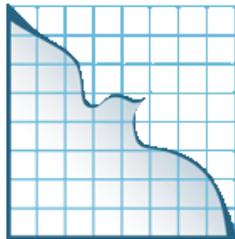


NewsNotes

April 2015



ECONOMISTS for PEACE & SECURITY

We cannot seek achievement for ourselves and forget about progress and prosperity for our community... Our ambitions must be broad enough to include the aspirations and needs of others, for their sakes and for our own.

-Cesar Chavez

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EPS News

Please join us for an evening at the home of
Kathleen Stephansen and Andrew Racine
with Special Guest

James K. Galbraith

Dr. Galbraith will give a first-hand account of the efforts to save Greece and the European Union, in the wake of the election of Alexis Tsipras and the selection of his finance minister, EPS Fellow Yanis Varoufakis. The stakes are very high, with implications for global financial stability and world security.

Monday, April 27, 2015
6:30 - 9:00pm
New York, NY

Refreshments and hors d'oeuvres will be served.

To purchase tickets for the event please email Ellie Warren here:
EllieWarren@epsusa.org

Making Money Matter

A New Book by EPS fellow G. Benjamin Bingham

The way we think about money has extraordinary impact. This book satisfies the growing longing for a financial overview that can provide practical advice and demonstrate how money is a social tool.

Making Money Matter exposes the dysfunctional nature of the current financial framework, while providing hope for a new and positive future that is emerging. Its overview of the Socially Responsible Investing world will inspire investors to push their advisors' envelope while providing new strategies to meet the demand for positive impact. It provides a philosophical basis for transforming our view of money from an end unto itself to a means to change the world for the better.

More information available here:

<https://www.booklaunch.io/gbenjaminbingham/makingmoneymatter>

19th 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 will host the **19th 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.

Deadline for submitting paper and session proposals: April 15, 2015

Call for papers is available here:

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

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Facebook

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

Twitter

<https://twitter.com/epsusa>

In Other News

LA's New City Plan Will Make You Want to Move There

By Ari Phillips for *ThinkProgress*, April 10, 2015

Los Angeles is a city of a million intersections, and a new sustainability plan intends to cross some of the biggest ones in an effort to transform the city into a breezy renewable metropolis rather than an overheated desert island in the coming decades.

LA mayor Eric Garcetti released an ambitious plan that puts environmental, economic, and equality issues front and center in helping determine the trajectory of the city, which plans to add another half-million residents by 2035. The plan comes at a pivotal moment for the state and the city, as a four-year drought prepares to settle in for the summer months. Governor Jerry Brown just announced statewide water restrictions for the first time and the state just had its hottest 12-month stretch on record.

“Our first ever sustainability plan details actions we must take in the coming months and years to secure a future for LA that is environmentally healthy, economically prosperous and equitable in opportunity for us all,” Mayor Garcetti said. “My back to basics approach is about making sure our city has the strong foundation it needs to soar to new heights.”

A few of the plan’s highlights include: becoming “the first big city in the nation to achieve zero waste” by 2025, fully divesting from coal-powered electricity by 2025, reducing greenhouse gas emissions by 80 percent below 1990 levels by 2050, having zero smog days by 2025, and making it so that 50 percent of all trips taken by city residents are by bike, foot, or public transportation by 2035. The plan also makes commitments to reduce energy use in all buildings by 30 percent by 2035.

Read the full article here:

http://thinkprogress.org/climate/2015/04/10/3645227/los-angeles-city-of-sustainable-angels/?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=tptop3

Call for Chapter Contributions: *Researching Conflict: Nuance, Nonsense, and New Sensibilities*

Calling for abstracts of 450 words max. for 6000- 8,000 word chapter contributions. A brief outline of the book is below.

Embedded in the unique spaces of violence and conflict are particular sets of issues that face researchers. These particularities present a rich but difficult terrain of inquiry for scholars attempting to navigate these complex warsapes.

A scattering of instructional texts has emerged alongside the reported rise in conflict incidents around the world (HIIK 2013; UCDP 2013), however, attention to the subject of ‘doing research in violent settings’ remains lacking. The research process which takes place in conflict regions around the world very rarely fits the current academic guidelines on doing fieldwork, which do not seriously engage with the realities of negotiating with warlords, or

working with rape survivors in ongoing conflict areas. These texts tend to steer towards problem-solving approaches, ignore with questions of identity, emotion and understanding the self critically in such environments.

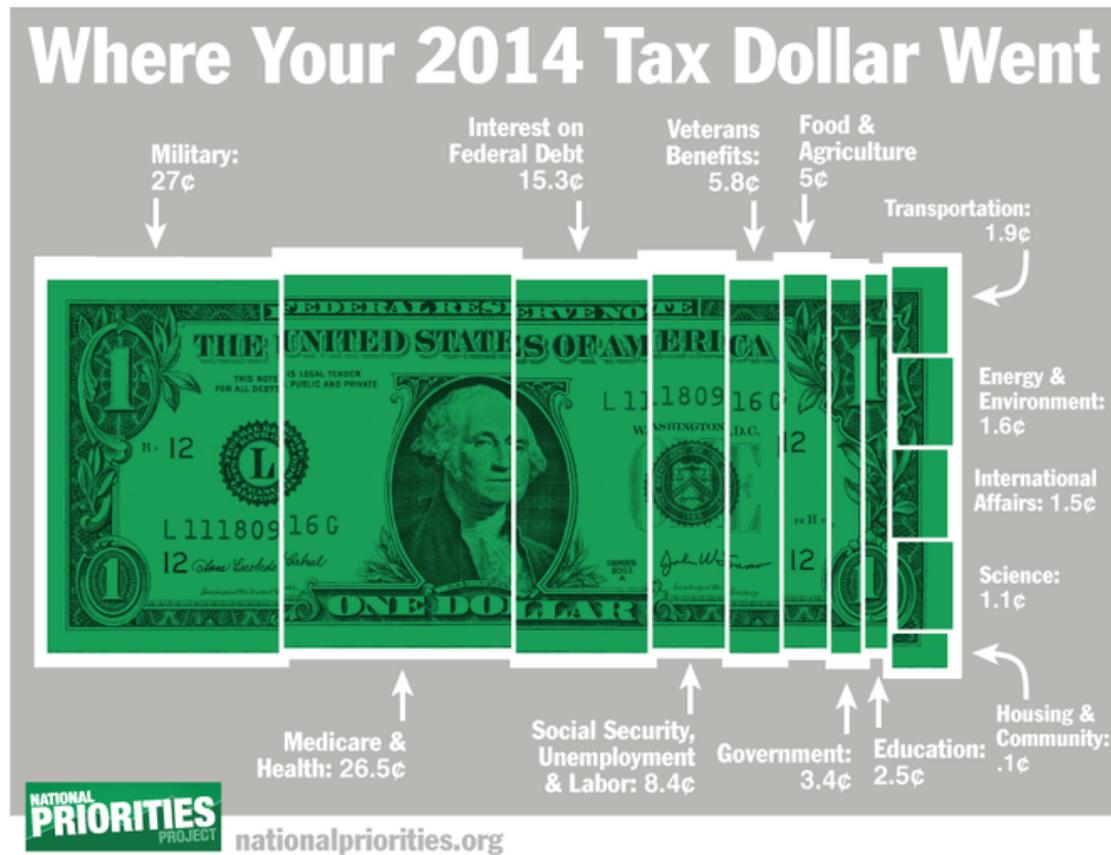
More information available here:

http://www.internationalpeaceandconflict.org/forum/topic/show?id=780588%3ATopic%3A1008938&xgs=1&xg_source=msg_share_topic#.VS1NP_nF-So

Links

Tax Day 2015

National Priorities Project March 16, 2016



Wondering where your 2014 income taxes went? Check out Tax Day 2015 resources:

<https://www.nationalpriorities.org/analysis/2015/tax-day-2015/>

Financing Education for All

By Jeffrey Sachs for *Project Syndicate*, March 19, 2015

Of all of the investments needed to achieve sustainable development, none is more important than a quality education for every child. In a knowledge-based world economy, a good education is vital for finding decent work; achieving good health; building functioning communities; developing the skills to be a dependable parent; and growing up to be an engaged and responsible citizen.

Indeed, it is no surprise that the most brutish and violent groups in the world, such as Nigeria's Boko Haram, attack education. And it was right on the mark to award the 2014 Nobel Peace Prize to Malala Yousafzai, the Pakistani

teenager shot by the Taliban for her brave advocacy of girls' education.

When the world's governments launch the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) this September, they will rightly put education for all children at the forefront, alongside ending extreme poverty, hunger, and death from preventable and treatable causes. Yet, while many poor countries have increased domestic financing for education, the international community has not yet done its part. Aid for education remains too low and too fragmented.

Read the full article here:

<https://www.project-syndicate.org/commentary/financing-education-poor-children-by-jeffrey-d-sachs-2015-03>

Funding & Employment Opportunities

Innovators for Peace (I4P) Scholarships

International Peace & Security Institute

IPSI is seeking exceptional individuals to apply for IPSI's Innovators for Peace (I4P) Scholarship to attend the 2015 Bologna Symposium on Conflict Prevention, Resolution, & Reconciliation. Through generous contributions from our distinguished alumni currently building peace and security globally, IPSI is honored to offer for the first time two Innovators for Peace Scholarships worth \$2,500 each (our largest scholarships available for 2015).

Full details available here:

<http://ipsinstitute.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/04/I4P-scholarship-info.pdf>

Head of Economy and Peacebuilding

International Alert, London, UK

The Head of Economy and Peacebuilding (E&PB) manages a team within the Peacebuilding Issues Programme (PIP). He or she provides conceptual and hands-on leadership for International Alert's work in understanding economic drivers of peace, and influencing the economic policies and governments, international organisations and businesses so that they are conflict-sensitive and conducive to peace.

Full details available here:

<http://oxfordhr.co.uk/job/head-epb-alert/>

EPS Publications

The Economics of Peace and Security Journal, Volume 10, Number 1 (April 2015)

In addition to a four-article symposium on Nigeria, this issue contains three stand-alone articles. The first, by Jerry Hionis, is a theoretical piece considering the role of geographic distance in a contest between two warlords. The second, by Belah Fallal and Yousef Daoud, is on the effect of Israel's occupation on the Palestinian labor market. The third, by Matthew McCaffrey, studies aspects of war and peace economics in classic Chinese military writings. The symposium on conflict and peace in Nigeria starts with a political economy piece by Michael Nwankpa on Boko Haram. This is followed by Kostadis Papaioannou and Angus Dalrymple-Smith with a historical piece on the role of political order in affecting development outcomes today. Finally, a team of researchers around Topher McDougal, contributes two articles, one on the potential microeconomic benefits of peace in Nigeria's Middle Belt states; the other on the macroeconomic benefits for the country as a whole.

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- *Political instability and discontinuity in Nigeria: The pre-colonial past and public goods provision under colonial and post-colonial political orders.*
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- *Macroeconomic benefits of farmer-pastoralist peace in Nigeria's Middle Belt: An input-output analysis approach*
Topher McDougal, Talia Hagerty, Lisa Inks, Caitriona Dowd, Stone Conroy

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.

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

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What Carbon Costs Us	Elizabeth A. Stanton
The Economic Impacts of Future Coal Production in West Virginia	Jeremy Richardson

Read the full issue here:

<http://www.epsusa.org/publications/newsletter/2014/dec14/dec14.pdf>

Read the individual articles here:

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

Action Corner

Iran Deal That Will Avert War and Lessen Middle East Tensions

A large coalition of organizations, combined with President Obama's determination, led to a historic framework agreement with Iran on its nuclear program.

This critical agreement achieves two important things:

1. If Iran decided to build a nuclear weapon (and that is a big if) the time it would take to produce enough fissile material for a crude weapon would be at least one year, giving the international community plenty of time to act.
2. The International Atomic Energy Association (IAEA) will have unprecedented inspections and monitoring of Iran's nuclear program from soup to nuts and can inspect any suspected covert sites as well.

In exchange for the above Iran would receive economic sanctions relief.

More Information here:

http://org.salsalabs.com/o/161/t/0/blastContent.jsp?email_blast_KEY=1320194

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/>.

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

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 22 - 24, 2015** The 15th Jan Tinbergen European Peace Science Conference will be held at the Department of Politics and International Studies at the University of Warwick, UK.
More information is available here:
<http://www.europeanpeacescientists.org/jan.html>
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More information available here:
<http://www.defense-realms.com/events/event-2015/>
- **June 28 - July 2, 2015** The 90th Annual Western Economics Association International Conference will be held at the Hilton Hawaiian Village, Waikiki.
More information is available here:
<http://weai.org/index.html>
- **July 24 - 26, 2015** The 6th International Meeting on Conflict Management, Peace Economics and Peace Science will be held at Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok, Thailand. Organized in cooperation with Chulalongkorn University, The State University of New York at Binghamton, and The International Center for Conflict Prevention and Management.
For more information email Manas Chatterj
mchatter@binghamton.edu

- **September 17 - 19, 2015 Colloquium "Right to Food, Peace and Democracy"** the Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, in collaboration with the Congregation for Catholic Education of the Holy See and the International Federation of Catholic Universities is organizing an international Colloquium on the theme: Right to Food, Peace and Democracy. Research and Education in an ethical perspective. The Colloquium will be held in Milan Italy.

More information available here:

https://gallery.mailchimp.com/2bb38c473f09effa10b0b111d/files/Colloquium_Call_for_Paper.pdf

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