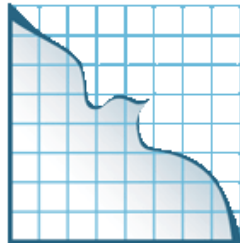


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EPS News

Second Annual Summer School: War, Reconstruction and Establishment of Peace from the Roots of War to the Establishment of a Lasting Peace

September 18 - 22, 2017 Tirana, Albania

The European Center for Peace Science, Integration and Cooperation and the Catholic University "Our Lady of the Good Council" organize the Summer School "War, reconstruction and establishment of peace: from the roots of war to the establishment of a lasting peace". The Summer School aims to provide an international group of students and graduates the scientific pillars on the roots of war, peace and peace building issues. In line with the tradition of the Science of Peace, the interdisciplinary program involves disciplines such as economics, political science, international relations and history. The Summer School has been designed for students and graduates with a strong interest in the Peace Study and who are willing to pursue advanced university studies or future professionals in the field of international relations and peace building. In order to foster a fruitful and open dialogue with teachers, a small group of students will be selected.

More information available here:

<http://unizkm.al/ricerca/cespic/summer-school/1058-seconda-edizione-della-summer-school>

In case you missed it: Recent EPS Events

Seminar on Transatlantic Defense Partnership

The seminar will take place on Wednesday June 21st in Brussels, from 10:30am to 4:30pm at the Royal Military Academy (Brussels) and is organized by the Royal Military Academy and Economists for Peace and Security, with the support of Airbus. This seminar aims at nurturing transatlantic dialogue by crossing American and European perspectives to identify stakes, challenges and opportunities after the elections in major NATO countries in 2016 and 2017.

21st Annual Conference on Economics and Security

The 21st Annual Conference on Economics and Security will take place June 22 - 23, 2017 at the Royal Military Academy, Brussels.

This Conference is organized by Cind Du Bois (Royal Military Academy Brussels), Caroline Buts (Vrije Universiteit Brussels) and Paul Dunne (University of Cape Town, EPS UK).

The conference aims to provide an opportunity for economists, political scientists and others from around the world to share ideas and discuss future developments.

More information available here:

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

Michael D. Intriligator Memorial Student Fund

Honoring a Lifetime of Service

We are proud to announce the Michael D. Intriligator Memorial Student Fund. This annual award will assist one promising graduate student in economics or a related field to attend our Annual International Conference on Economics and Security. The student will be invited to give a paper and be presented to the attendees in a plenary session. Travel expenses to the conference and registration fees will be covered.

We hope that you will join us in continuing to honor Michael D. Intriligator's legacy of dedication to the field of economics, the idea of peace, and the mentoring of the next generation, by donating to the Fund.

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In Other News

Turkey Chooses Russia Over NATO for Missile Defense

By Selcan Hacaoglu for *Bloomberg* July 13, 2017

Turkey has agreed to pay \$2.5 billion to acquire Russia's most advanced missile defense system, a senior Turkish official said, in a deal that signals a turn away from the NATO military alliance that has anchored Turkey to the West for more than six decades.

Read the full article here:

https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2017-07-13/turkey-is-said-to-agree-to-pay-2-5b-for-4-russian-s-400-sams?utm_source=In+Case+You+Missed+It&utm_campaign=e8b6832b56-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2017_07_13&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_46caece17e-e8b6832b56-242942701

Congress Affirms Climate Change a Threat to Security - Asks for Military to Prepare

By Andrew Holland for *American Security Project*, July 12, 2017

Climate change is a threat to national security. The military and national security community has been preparing for the effects of climate change for over a decade. However, for several years, there has been notable pull-back from Congress; as recently as last year, the House of Representatives had voted along purely partisan lines to support an amendment prohibiting any action by the Department of Defense on climate change.

Read the full article here:

<https://www.americansecurityproject.org/congress-climate-security/>

Links

International Inequalities Institute

The London School of Economics and Political Science

The International Inequalities Institute at LSE brings together experts from many LSE departments and centres to lead critical and cutting edge research to understand why inequalities are escalating in numerous arenas across the world, and to develop critical tools to address these challenges.

Find out more about The International Inequalities Institute here:

<http://www.lse.ac.uk/International-Inequalities>

The G20 and the Inequality Crisis

By Helle Thorning-Schmidt for *Project Syndicate*, July 7, 2017

Almost a decade ago, facing a near-collapse of the financial system and the risk of a depression, the world needed a new form of leadership to navigate and restore confidence in the global economy. That's why, in 2009, at his first global summit as US president, Barack Obama joined then-British Prime Minister Gordon Brown to spearhead the G20's upgrade, making it the world's preeminent economic forum. What they created helped solve one immediate problem, but it let linger another global challenge.

Read full blog post here:

<https://www.project-syndicate.org/commentary/g20-solutions-to-ending-inequality-by-helle-thorning-schmidt-2017-07>

Book Review

The Equality Effect: Improving Life for Everyone By Danny Dorling

By The London School of Economics and Political Science, June 2, 2017

In *The Equality Effect: Improving Life for Everyone*, Danny Dorling takes a renewed look at the growing evidence that has amassed on the stark and clear differences between equal and unequal societies in the ten years since Kate Pickett and Richard Wilkinson published the groundbreaking book, *The Spirit Level: Why More Equal Societies Almost Always Do Better*. Levels of equality within countries are associated with a startling range of outcomes. In more equal countries, people are happier, more numerate, produce less waste and commit fewer crimes. The list goes on, and with

complimentary illustrations by Ella Furness, Dorling outlines the supporting data in a clear and engaging way. The book is optimistic about the future but does not shy away from a critique of policies and practices within unequal countries.

Read the full review here:

<http://blogs.lse.ac.uk/lsereviewofbooks/2017/06/02/book-review-the-equality-effect-improving-life-for-everyone-by-danny-dorling/>

Funding & Employment Opportunities

United States Institute of Peace Fellowships

Washington, DC

USIP Fellowship programs support cutting-edge research, writing, analysis and convening by emerging and leading international experts from many disciplinary and professional backgrounds. The Fellowship programs provide USIP resources to add to its in-house expertise and inform its programmatic work, while contributing to USIP's role as a bridge between academics, reflective practitioners and policy-makers.

Full listings available here:

<https://www.usip.org/grants-fellowships/fellowships>

EPS Publications

EPS Quarterly, Volume 29, Issue 2, July 2017

The "Policy Challenges for the New US President" Issue

This issue is comprised of edited transcripts from a session organized by EPS at the 2017 ASSA/AEA Annual Meetings, held in Chicago, Illinois in January 2017.

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- Jonathan Ostry
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Read the full issue here:

<http://www.epsusa.org/publications/newsletter/2017/july17/july17.pdf>

The Economics of Peace and Security Journal, Volume 12, Number 1 (April 2017)

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!

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Action Corner

"The Authorization for the Use of Military Force is Hereby Repealed..."

The GOP-led House Appropriations Committee did something historic. They approved an amendment from Representative Lee that, if passed, would sunset the 2001 Authorization for the Use of Military Force (AUMF). The AUMF has been used by the United States over the past 16 years to authorize more than 37 military actions in 14 countries.

If passed, this amendment would repeal the AUMF within 240 days and apply "with respect to each operation or other action that is being carried out pursuant to the Authorization for the Use of Military Force initiated before such effective date".

Our endless wars could end. We could stop sending troops into wars without a debate on an exit strategy for those wars. We could stop crippling our domestic economy to pay for the destruction of the Middle East. We could win, and today, we found out we could win with bipartisan support.

The next step for the appropriations bill is a House floor vote, which means our next step is to tell our Representatives to join Congresswoman Lee and repeal the AUMF.

Find out how to take action on this issue here:

http://org.salsalabs.com/o/2244/p/dia/action4/common/public/?action_KEY=22008

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/>

Upcoming Events

- **July 26, 2017 'People Power' and Peacebuilding: Can They Collaborate** will be hosted by the United Institute of Peace in Washington, DC.

More information available here:

<https://www.usip.org/events/people-power-and-peacebuilding-can-they-collaborate>

- **September 18 - 19, 2017 Conflict Research Society Annual Conference 2017: Ending Violence in Turbulent Times: Exploring the Conflict, Peace and Violence Nexus** will be hosted by the Changing Charachet of War programme at Pembroke College, University of Oxford.

More information available here:

<http://conflictresearchsociety.org/ourevents/crs-conference-oxford-2017/>

- **October 19 - 20, 2017 Festival for New Economic Thinking** will be hosted at the Edinburgh Corn Exchange, Scotland.

More information available here:

<https://www.ineteconomics.org/events/fnet>

- **January 11 - 14, 2018 The Western Economic Association International, 14th Annual International Conference** will be hosted by the Newcastle Business School, University of Newcastle, Australia.

More information available here:

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

- **January 17 - 19, 2018 Fourteenth International Conference on Environmental, Cultural, Economic & Social Sustainability** will be hosted by The Cairns Institute, James Cook University, Cairns, Australia

More information available here:

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

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