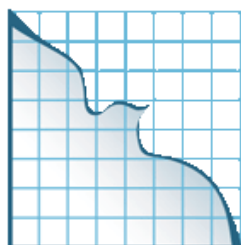


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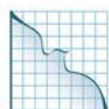


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EPS News



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EPS Symposium, co-sponsored by the LBJ School of Public Affairs at the University of
Texas at Austin:

At the Turning Point: Economics, Security, and American Politics

With keynote address

Senator Bernie Sanders (I-VT)

and special remarks from
Representative Ro Khanna (D-CA)

November 13, 2017

The Partnership for Public Service Building
1100 New York Ave, NW, Washington, DC 20005

Economists for Peace and Security will hold its 10th annual policy Symposium in Washington DC on November 13, 2017, to discuss economics, and American politics as well as the economic dimensions of current critical security issues. The program will feature three panels of senior specialists who will present the elements of a program to address the most fundamental issues animating American political discourse.

Please join us for this important symposium.
The event is free. Pre-registration is requested.

[Register here](#)

12:30pm Registration

1:00pm Welcoming Remarks: Stephanie Kelton

1:15 - 2:00

Panel One - Mideast and Russia - Changing Security Environment

2:00 - 2:45

Remarks:

Representative Ro Khanna (D-CA)

2:45 - 3:30

Panel Two - Growth, Jobs, and the Next Crisis

3:30 - 4:15

Keynote:

Senator Bernie Sanders (I-VT)

4:15 - 5:00

Panel Three: Future of Healthcare: Pros and Cons of Medicare for All

[Register here](#)

For further information contact [Ellie Warren](#)

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Festival for New Economic Thinking

Institute for New Economic Thinking October 19 - 20, 2017 Edinburgh, Scotland

The Festival for New Economic Thinking believes that society faces mounting challenges, yet our dominant economic models are out of touch. Around the world, new ideas, approaches, and concepts are being developed by disparate communities of thoughtful people. The festival is designed to connect organizations and individuals committed to bringing forward the economic thought of tomorrow.

EPS will be exploring the economic impacts of security policies, and the security impacts of economic policies with an informational stall and a panel discussion. War and violent conflict disrupt the social and economic fabric of societies and interfere with the well-being of individuals; and economic policies and institutions can either prevent or mitigate violence or can contribute to it. We as professional economists believe that our discipline has a positive contribution to make to peace and human welfare.

Panel Discussion, Thursday, October 19, 9:30am

Peace Economics: How Economics Can Contribute to Peace

Chaired by Thea Harvey-Barratt, Economists for Peace & Security

- Sam Perlo-Freeman, World Peace Foundation, Tufts University
- Ron P. Smith, Birkbeck, University of London

[More information available here](#)

EPS at The ASSA/AEA Annual Meetings January 5 - 7, 2018 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

EPS will be organizing two panel sessions as well as hosting our annual dinner at this years ASSA/AEA Annual Meetings.

Panel Sessions:

Are Trump Administration Policies Improving International Security?

Saturday, January 6, 2018 12:30 - 2:15 pm
Marriott Philadelphia Downtown, Meeting Room 306

Chair: Kathleen Stephansen

- Linda Bilmes, Harvard University
US Security budget
- Jennifer Olmsted, Drew University
Immigration
- Sam Perlo-Freeman, World Peace Foundation
Transatlantic relationships
- David Firestein, East West Institute
Transpacific relationships

Are Trump Administration Policies Improving Domestic Security?

Sunday, January 7, 2018 1:00 - 3:00 pm
Marriott Philadelphia Downtown, Independence Ballroom I

Chair: Stephanie Kelton, State University of New York-Stony Brook

- James Galbraith, University of Texas at Austin
Growth/Secular stagnation
- Sandy Darity, Duke University
Racial and Ethnic Inequality
- Pavlina Tcherneva, Bard College
Job Security
- Teresa Ghilarducci, The New School for Social Research
Retirement Security

Economists for Peace & Security Annual Dinner

This year EPS will be honoring
James K. Galbraith
Saturday, January 6, 2018 6:30 - 10:00pm
Marriott Philadelphia Downtown

[More Information as it becomes available can be found here](#)

The 22nd Annual International Conference on Economics and Security

The 22nd annual international conference on economics and security will be held at the Middle East Technical University, Northern Cyprus Campus in Kalkanlı.

This Conference is organized by Ali Cevat Taşiran (Middle East Technical University NCC), and Paul Dunne (University of Cape Town).

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

- Regional security
- Economics of security
- Corruption and military spending
- Globalisation and the restructuring of the MIC
- Militarism and development
- Security sector reform
- Economics of conflict and war

- Post-conflict reconstruction
- Economics of the arms trade
- Procurement and offsets
- Arms races and alliances
- Peace economics and peace science
- Conversion and demilitarisation
- Economics of terrorism

Offers of papers on related topics are also welcome.

Abstracts (up to 300 words) should be submitted before **April 1, 2018** to be considered for the conference.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the conference organizers at: nccices@metu.edu.tr

Michael D. Intriligator Memorial Student Fund

Honoring a Lifetime of Service

We are now accepting nominations for the 2018 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.

[Donate to The Michael D. Intriligator Memorial Student Fund](#)

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In Other News

Women's Reproductive And Workplace Rights Will Help the Economy

By Alice Pettway for *AlterNet* October 7, 2017

According to the International Monetary Fund, the GDP of the United States would increase by five percent if women's labor force participation were increased to match men's. Protecting women's reproductive rights—from childcare to contraception access—is a necessary step in achieving that parity, says Anuradha Seth, UN Women policy adviser on women's economic empowerment.

[Read the full article here](#)

Supreme Court Rules in Favor of Government Transparency Against Private Prison Corporations

October 10, 2017 *Center for Constitutional Rights*

The Supreme Court denied a petition by private prison corporations seeking to block the release of government documents about their immigration detention practices. In a case brought by the Center for Constitutional Rights (CCR) and Detention Watch Network (DWN), under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), a federal district court ruled in July 2016, that the government must release details of its contracts with private prison corporations. The government chose not to appeal; instead, the country's two largest private prison corporations, GEO Group and Corrections Corporation of America (CCA), recently rebranded as "CoreCivic," intervened to appeal the decision to the Second Circuit Court of Appeals, which dismissed their petition in February. GEO then petitioned the Supreme Court for a full review of the case, asking for the right to prevent the government from releasing information under the FOIA.

[Read the full article here](#)

Call for papers

18th Jan Tinbergen European Peace Science Conference that will be held at the University of Verona, Italy, on 18th - 20th June 2018.

The Jan Tinbergen Conference is interdisciplinary. Presentations are welcomed that address any issue relating to peace and security broadly defined. 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.

Abstracts (150-250 words) with a tentative title submitted before January 31, 2018 will be considered for the conference.

[More information available here](#)

Links

The Real Danger of Refusing to Certify the Iran Deal

John Glaser for *The National Interest* October 13, 2017

Scuttling the nuclear deal leaves America with less leverage than it had when it negotiated the JCPOA in the first place.

President Trump's decision not to certify the Iran nuclear deal is reckless and dangerous. By all accounts—including that of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), America's European allies, the US intelligence community and Trump's national security team—Iran has complied with the restrictive terms of the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA) and significantly rolled back its nuclear program, while subjecting itself to the most intrusive inspections regime in the world.

Undermining a successful nonproliferation agreement in this way isolates America, sows doubt about its credibility and trustworthiness, signals to other rogue regimes, like North Korea, the imperative of a nuclear deterrent, and worst of all, needlessly puts the United States and Iran back on the road to confrontation.

[Read the full report here](#)

Book Review

After Piketty: The Agenda for Economics and Inequality

edited by Heather Boushey, J. Bradford DeLong and Marshall Steinbaum

By The London School of Economics and Political Science, September 18, 2017

The thrust of *After Piketty* is not that Piketty got everything wrong in his analysis but that he missed a few important points, which this book highlights. *After Piketty* is split into five parts. The first discusses reception of Piketty's *Capital*, and in the last section Piketty is given an opportunity to respond to the ideas discussed in the volume. The middle three sections, which form the core of the text, are 'Conceptions of Capital', 'Dimensions of Inequality' and 'Political Economy

of Capital and Capitalism'. The editors have done an astute job assembling chapters of such variety under these categories.

[Read the full review here](#)

Funding & Employment Opportunities

Assistant Professor in Global Studies: Conflict and Violence

University of California, Santa Barbara

The Department of Global Studies at the University of California, Santa Barbara seeks to appoint a tenure-track assistant professor whose work focuses on issues of global conflict and violence, beginning July 1, 2018. Apply by November 1, 2017 for primary consideration.

[Full listing available here](#)

EPS Publications

EPS Quarterly, Volume 29, Issue 3, September 2017

Transatlantic Defense Partnership at Stake?

This issue consists of edited transcripts of an event held Wednesday June 21, 2017 at the Royal Military Academy in Brussels, Belgium.

The conference sought to address pressing alliance issues, and answer some of the following questions:

While NATO has regularly reaffirmed the need to increase military spending to contribute to the Alliance's security, most countries face several budgetary constraints. Moreover political choices to come will be influenced by deep transformations in the political landscape on both shores of the Atlantic (Trump administration, general elections in France, the Netherlands, Germany...).

The end of ISAF posed a challenge for the future of NATO, since the alliance has to look for renewed goals and a reinforced pact of collective security. Despite several threats, notably from terrorist organizations, and a rising Russian power, it appears difficult to overcome tensions inside NATO that are amplified by a new political environment.

On which ground can we expect to reignite the transatlantic defense partnership? What can be the missions for NATO and other transatlantic initiatives after Afghanistan? How to increase the effectiveness of military spending while keeping fiscal pressure under control? The conference was co-hosted by EPS, the Royal Military Academy, and the Free University of Brussels. It was made possible by the support of Airbus.

[Read the full issue here](#)

The Economics of Peace and Security Journal, Volume 12, Number 2 (October 2017)

This issue contains five articles first presented at the Allied Social Sciences Association annual meetings in Chicago, IL, in January 2017 as part of a roundtable discussion on research and teaching in peace economics, organized by Economists for Peace and Security (USA). **Shikha Silwal** address the conjunction of peace and development economics, using the topic of migration as one of her special examples. **Charles H. Anderton** speaks briefly about Walter Isard, an early and prominent proponent of peace economics, before delving into bargaining theory as a theoretical underpinning to explain both war and peace. **Raul Caruso** addresses peace economics and peaceful economic policies in light of the classic work of Kenneth Boulding. **J. Paul Dunne** develops an extensive essay on what peace economists have learned over the past 25 years or so, especially in regard to economic development issues. And **Raymond Gilpin**, while acknowledging the progress peace economics has made since Boulding and Isard, nonetheless challenges it to become more attuned to current issues and to become more applied and practical.

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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one-year subscription is \$50; for EPS members, it's only \$25!

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Action Corner

Raising America's Pay

An initiative of the Economic Policy Institute

Right now there is much debate over what to do about rising income inequality in America. These discussions too often miss that the key to shared prosperity is to foster wage growth. Pay of the vast majority of Americans has been stuck for decades, even though productivity and earnings at the top are escalating. Americans are working harder, more productively, and with more education than ever, but are treading water, as an enormous and ever-increasing share of income growth goes to corporate profits and executive pay. This is a solvable problem. It can be traced in no small part to policies that have allowed labor standards, business practices, and ideas of fairness to increasingly favor employers at the expense of workers.

That is why the Economic Policy Institute launched **Raising America's Pay**, a multiyear research and public education initiative to make wage growth an urgent national policy priority. By explaining wage and benefit patterns—and the role of labor market policies and practices in suppressing pay—the initiative is identifying policies that will generate broad-based wage growth. This work is connecting with and supporting civic engagement and community organizing groups working on pay and job quality issues to support their campaigns.

[Find out how to take action on this issue here](#)

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 here](#)

[To access the email addresses, phone and fax numbers, or websites of your elected officials in Congress, enter your zip code here](#)

Upcoming Events

- **October 19 - 20, 2017 Festival for New Economic Thinking** will be hosted at the Edinburgh Corn Exchange, Scotland. EPS will have an informational booth and host a panel on Peace Economics during the festival.

[More information available here](#)

- **October 31, 2017 The 2017 Positive Peace Conference** will be hosted by The Institute for Economics and Peace at Stanford University.

[More information available here](#)

- **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](#)

- **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](#)

- **June 18 - 20, 2018 18th Jan Tinbergen European Peace Science Conference** will be held at the University of Verona, Verona, Italy.

[Contact conference organizers for call for paper details here](#)

- **June 27 - 29, 2018 22nd Annual International Conference on Economics and Security** will be held at the Middle East Technical University, Northern Cyprus Campus in Kalkanlı.

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