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Each presentation takes 20 minutes and 10 minutes are given for comments from the audience and plenary discussion.

**MONDAY, JUNE 22**

**8.30 Registration**
Room A

9.00 Welcome by Raul Caruso, Catholic University of the Sacred Heart, Executive director of NEPS
9.10 Welcome by Christopher W. Hughes, Chair of the Faculty of Social Sciences and Head of the Department of Politics and International Studies, University of Warwick

**9.20 Session 1**
Room A

1) **Inequality, Grievances, and Civil War**
   Lars-Erik Cederman, ETH Zurich *NEPS Medal 2014*
   Kristian Skrede Gleditsch, University of Essex and Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO) *NEPS Medal 2014*
   Halvard Buhaug, Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO) *NEPS Medal 2014*

2) **Presence and Promise: Strategic Aid and Foreign-Induced Regime Change**
   Daniel McCormack, University of Texas, *Stuart Bremer PSSI 2014*

**10.30 Break**

**10.40 Parallel Session 2**

We gratefully acknowledge the support of:
3) The Guardianship Dilemma: Regime Security through and from the Armed Forces
   Branislav L. Slantchev, University of California, San Diego
   R. Blake McMahon, University of California, San Diego

4) Predicting social conflict: an index of multivariate polarization
   Alberto Vesperoni, University of Siegen
   Sorawoot Srisuma, University of Surrey

5) Violence, Control and State Legitimacy in Civil Conflicts
   Arzu Kibris, Sabanci University
   Ozgür Kibris, Sabanci University

Room B
Chair: Gabriel Leon, King's College London

6) The Language of the Unheard? Political Exclusion and Ethnic Riots in Africa
   Luke Abbs, Conflict Analysis Research Centre, University of Kent

7) Are Riots a Winning Strategy? Study of BJP’s Electoral Performance and Hindu Muslim Riots
   Rohit Ticku, The Graduate Institute, Geneva

8) How do riots spread over space and time? Evidence from the Swing Riots
   Gabriel Leon, Department of Political Economy, King's College London
   Toke Aidt, Faculty of Economics, Cambridge
   Max Satchell, Department of Geography, Cambridge

12.10 LUNCH

13.15 Parallel Session 3

We gratefully acknowledge the support of:
Room A
Chair: Scott Gates, Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO)

9) Dictators Walking the Mogadishu Line: How Men Become Monsters and Monsters Become Men
Tim Willems, Nuffield College, Department of Economics, University of Oxford and Centre for Macroeconomics
Shaun Larcom, Department of Land Economy, University of Cambridge and Centre for Development, Environment and Policy, SOAS, University of London
Mare Sarr, School of Economics, University of Cape Town

10) Repression and cooptation in authoritarian regimes: political parties and campaign unity
Roman-Gabriel Olar, University of Essex

11) Global Patterns of Autocratization and Democratic Backsliding
Scott Gates, Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO)
Marianne Dahl, Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO)
Håvard Hegre, Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO)
Håvard Moklev Nygård, Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO)
Håvard Strand, Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO)

Room B
Chair: Elisabeth Gilmore, University of Maryland

12) The Effect of Farmer-Pastoralist Violence on State-level Internal Revenue Generation in Nigeria - A Modified Synthetic Control Analysis Approach
Topher McDougal, Kroc School of Peace Studies, University of San Diego
Talia Hagerty, Institute for Economics and Peace
Lisa Inks, Mercy Corps Nigeria
Caitriona Dowd, Mercy Corps Nigeria
Stone Conroy, Mercy Corps Nigeria

We gratefully acknowledge the support of:
13) **The Effects of Uncertainty from Violent Conflict on Food Markets: Demand and Prices of Differentiated Fresh Fruits in Hebron**  
   Rico Ihle, Agricultural Economics and Rural Policy Group, Wageningen University  
   Ziv Bar-Nahum, The Robert H. Smith Faculty of Agriculture and Hebrew University of Jerusalem  
   Israel Finkelshait, The Robert H. Smith Faculty of Agriculture and Hebrew University of Jerusalem  
   Ofir Rubin, Guilford Glazer Faculty of Business & Management and Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

14) **Simulating Conflict Trap Dynamics along the Shared Socioeconomic Pathways (SSPs)**  
   Elisabeth Gilmore, University of Maryland  
   Håvard Hegre, Uppsala University and Peace Research Institute  
   Jonas Nordkvelle, Peace Research Institute  
   Stephanie Waldhoff, Joint Global Change Research Institute, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory

14.45 Break

14.55 Parallel Session 4  
   Room A  
   Chair: Kristian Skrede Gleditsch, University of Essex and Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO)

15) **Do casualties have an effect on future troop deployment?**  
   Steffi Raes, Vrije Universiteit Brussel  
   Cind Du Bois, Royal Military Academy, Belgium  
   Caroline Buts, Vrije Universiteit Brussel

16) **The Determinants of Civil War and Excess Zeros**  
   Nan Tian, University of Cape Town  
   John Paul Dunne, University of Cape Town

17) **Contested incompatibilities and armed violence: A two-stage model of civil conflict**  
   Kristian Skrede Gleditsch, University of Essex and Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO)  
   Henrikas Bartusevičius, University of Essex

We gratefully acknowledge the support of:
Room B,

Chair: Roos van der Haer, University of Konstanz

18) It's not over when it's over: Explaining the timing of (post-) conflict diffusion
Corinne Bara Zurfluh, ETH Zürich

19) Entrepreneurship and the historical legacy of war: Evidence from Eastern Europe and Central Asia
Travers Barclay Child, VU University
Cagatay Bircan, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)
Elena Nikolova, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)

20) Examining low-intensity conflicts through SMS: a cell-phone based approach applied to India
Roos van der Haer, University of Konstanz
Sebastian Schutte, University of Konstanz

16.25 Break

16.35 Parallel Session 5

Room A
Chair: Glenn Palmer, Pennsylvania State University

21) Military Aggression and the Production of Peace
Soeren Schwuchow, BTU Cottbus-Senftenberg

22) Military Expenditures and Free-Riding in NATO
Jakub Odehnal, Department of Economics, Faculty of Military leadership, University of Defence

23) War! How is it Paid for? The Dynamics of Interstate War Finance
Glenn Palmer, Pennsylvania State University
Jeff Carter, University of Mississippi
Heather Ondercin, University of Mississippi

Room B
Chair: Ranan Kuperman, University of Haifa

24) Earning a Peace dividend in Greece
George Zombanakis, The American College of Greece
Ioanna Bardakas, Research Department, Bank of Greece

We gratefully acknowledge the support of:
25) Islamism and Socialism: A Comparison
   Mario Ferrero, University of Eastern Piedmont
26) The effect domestic political-economic regimes on peace and conflict during the post-Cold War period
   Ranan Kuperman, University of Haifa

20:00 Conference Dinner

TUESDAY, JUNE 23

9.00 Parallel Session 7

Room A
Chair: Felix S. Bethke, Centre for Global Cooperation Research

27) A spatial analysis of the effect of foreign aid in conflict areas
   Stijn van Weezel, Royal Holloway University of London
28) Domestic and International Determinants of International Mediation: The Importance of Conflict Characteristics
   Tobias Böhmelt, University of Essex and ETH Zurich
29) Cultural Bias in the Perception of Conflict and Cooperation
   Felix S. Bethke, Centre for Global Cooperation Research

Room B
Chair: Raul Caruso, Catholic University of the Sacred Heart

30) Guns, Butters, and Bombs: The Determinants of US Arms Sales vs Military Aid
   Richard Johnson, University of Strathclyde
31) Mergers and Acquisitions in the United States Defense Industrial Base
   Matthew M. Ross, Western Michigan University
   Chenguang Shang, Bentley University
   Raul Caruso, Catholic University of the Sacred Heart
   Marco di Domizio, University of Teramo

We gratefully acknowledge the support of:
10.30 Break

10.40 Parallel Session 8

Room A
Chair: Mario A. Maggioni, Catholic University of the Sacred Heart

33) Conflict in Africa: Climate, Economic Shocks and Spill-Over Effects
Achim Ahrens, Heriot-Watt University, Spatial Economics and Econometrics Centre

34) Explaining the pattern of violence against civilians in Zimbabwe
David Fielding, University of Otago

35) My neighbour's war - Spatio-temporal diffusion of conflict incidence in West Africa
Mario A. Maggioni, Catholic University of the Sacred Heart
Sara Balestri, Catholic University of the Sacred Heart

Room B
Chair: Petros G. Sekeris, University of Portsmouth

36) Under a Rebel Flag: Social Resistance under Insurgent Rule in Aceh
Shane J. Barter, Soka University of America

37) Risk-sharing in conflict affected societies
Elisa Cavatorta, King's College London

38) State Power and Economic Resilience in Madagascar
Petros G. Sekeris, University of Portsmouth
Marc Bellemare, University of Minnesota
Christine Moser, Western Michigan University

12.10 Parallel Session 9

Room A
Chair: TBA

39) “Politically Relevant Environment” for transnational Mobilization of conflict-generated diasporas
Maria Koinova, University of Warwick

We gratefully acknowledge the support of:
Evading terror? Terror and Internal Migration in Israel
Duncan Roth, Philipps-Universität Marburg, Department of Economics
Johanna von Borstel, Philipps-Universität Marburg, Centre for Near and Middle East Studies (CNMS)
Tom Gobienb, Philipps-Universität Marburg, Department of Economics

Room B
Chair: Athanassios Pitsoulis, University of Hildesheim

The Effect of the Spanish Reconquest on Iberian Cities
Rafael González-Val, Universidad de Zaragoza & Institut d'Economia de Barcelona
David Cuberes, Clark University

The specter of Lausanne: On the political economy of conflict-induced population exchanges
Athanassios Pitsoulis, University of Hildesheim

13.10 Lunch

14.20 Parallel Session 10

Trade and conflicts: Do preferential trade agreements matter?
Arslan Tariq Rana, Laboratoire d'Economie d'Orléans, University of Orléans

On Target? The Impact of Sanctions on Listed Firms in Iran
Mirko Draca, Warwick University and London School of Economics
Jason Garred, London School of Economics
Leanne Stickland, Centre for Global Studies, and House of Lords, Westminster
Nele Warrinnier, Centre for Economic Performance, London School of Economics

Hearing the Noise: Economic Sanctions Theory and Anomalous Evidence
T. Clifton Morgan, Rice University

We gratefully acknowledge the support of:
Room B
Chair: Marijke Verpoorten, IOB - University of Antwerp

46) The Geography of Election Violence: New Constituency-level Evidence from Malawi
   Inken von Borzyskowski, Florida State University
   Michael Wahman, London School of Economics

47) I Am Righteous, You Are Illegitimate: When Nationalistic Rivalries Emerge
   Akisato Suzuki, Dublin City University

48) Trust in the aftermath of mass violence: pathways and processes
   Marijke Verpoorten, IOB - University of Antwerp
   Bert Ingelaere, IOB - University of Antwerp & CRPD, KU Leuven

15.50 Break

16.00 Parallel Session 11
Room A
Chair: Vincenzo Bove, University of Warwick

49) Selling arms to the enemy
   Antoine Pietri, University Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne (CES)
   Julien Malizard, Chaire d’Economie de la Défense

50) Asymmetric Trade Dependence and Interstate Conflict Initiation Embedded in Networks
   Yao Han, University College Dublin

51) Energy (in)security and bilateral arms trade
   Vincenzo Bove, University of Warwick
   Roberto Nisticò, University of Naples Federico II
   Claudio Deiana, University of Essex

Room B
Chair: Theodora-Ismene Gizelis, University of Essex and PRIO

52) An Indirect Casualty: Arms Transfers and Women’s Human Rights
   Clair Apodaca, Virginia Tech

53) The Effect of Civil Conflict on Child Abuse: Evidence from Peru
   Prakarsh Singh, Amherst College
   Alvaro Morales, Amherst College

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54) Health Systems Shocks: Maternal Health in the Time of Ebola
   Theodora-Ismene Gizelis, University of Essex and PRIO
   Gudrun Østby, PRIO
   Henrik Urdal, PRIO

17.30 Parallel Session 12

   Room A
   Chair: Sara McLaughlin Mitchell, University of Iowa

   Matthew D. Rablen, Brunel University London
   Matthew Gould, Brunel University London

56) Judicialization of the Sea: Bargaining under the UNCLOS Regime
   Sara McLaughlin Mitchell, University of Iowa
   Andrew P. Owsiak, University of Georgia

   Room B
   Chair: TBA

57) Non-governmental organisations and democracy: an empirical analysis
   Tania Masi, University of Verona

58) Viva la revolucion, or: do revolutions lead to more democracy?
   Vanessa A. Boese, Cusanuswerk & Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin

18.30 – NEPS Lecture

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19:50 End of Day 2

20:00 Reception

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9.00 Parallel Session 13

Room A
Chair: Kaisa Hinkkainen, University of Lincoln

59) The Determinants of Domestic Terrorism in Political Campaigns: A quantitative Analysis
   Margherita Belgioioso, University of Essex

60) Filling the Void: Evidence from Two Natural Disasters on the Determinants of Taliban Support
   Hasin Yousaf, Department of Economics, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid
   Federico Masera, Department of Economics, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid

61) Localised effects of Sanctions in Colombia
   Kaisa Hinkkainen, University of Lincoln
   Navin A. Bapat, The University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill
   Luis De la Calle, Centro de Investigación y Docencia Económicas (CIDE)
   Elena V. McLean, Texas A&M University

Room B
Chair: TBA

62) Transnational Dimensions of Peace Negotiation
   Sinem Arslan, University of Essex

63) Opening of Peace Processes in Internal Armed Conflicts
   Baris Ari, University of Essex

64) Buying Peace: Can Amnesty to Rebels during Civil Wars Affect Duration, Intensity or Outcomes?
   Lesley-Ann Daniels, Universitat Pompeu Fabra & Institut Barcelona d'Estudis Internacionals

10.30 Break

10.40 Plenary Session 14

Room A
Chair: Joakim Kreutz, Department of Peace and Conflict Research, Uppsala University

65) Explaining Recidivism of Ex-Combatants in Colombia
   Enzo Nussio, Stockholm University
   Oliver Kaplan, University of Denver

We gratefully acknowledge the support of:
66) How Free Press Defends the Energy Infrastructure  
Oleg Polivin, Toulouse School of Economics

67) Guerrillas in our midst: Territorial control, information and the localized distribution of violence in civil conflict  
Joakim Kreutz, Department of Peace and Conflict Research, Uppsala University  
Mihai Croicu, Department of Peace and Conflict Research, Uppsala University

11.40 Parallel Session 15  
Room A  
Chair: Andrea Ruggeri, University of Oxford

68) Choosing to intervene - US domestic politics & moral imperatives  
Lutz Krebs, Maastricht University & United Nations University  
Roberta Haar, Maastricht University

69) After the Peacekeepers Left: Peacekeeping and the Perception of Security in Timor Leste  
Han Dorussen, University of Essex

70) Every Day I Have the Blues: Blue Helmets “distance” from the Locals and Conflict  
Andrea Ruggeri, University of Oxford  
Vincenzo Bove, University of Warwick  
Room B  
Chair: Petros Sekeris, Portsmouth University

71) Sustaining Civil Peace: a configurational comparative analysis  
Irene Palnau, University of Paderborn  
Thomas Gries, University of Paderborn

72) Empirical Relationships between Types of Violence and the Pillars of Positive Peace  
Talia Hagerty, Institute for Economics and Peace (IEP)

73) Can Violence Harm Cooperation? Experimental Evidence  
Giacomo De Luca, University of York  
Petros Sekeris, Portsmouth University  
Dominic Spengler, University of York

13.10 Goodbye - End of the conference

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