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Each presentation is allocated up to 15 to 20 minutes depending on the number of presentations in the session with 7 to 10 minutes afterwards for comments from the audience. The time allocated for each individual presentation must be respected to allow participants to change panels in between presentations. The last presenter of each session will serve as the Chair of the panel.

All rooms are in the Humboldt Graduate School at Luisenstraße 56, 10117 Berlin.

MONDAY, JUNE 22

8.30 Registration

Room: Festsaal

9.00 Welcome by Arzu Kibris-executive director of NEPS, and opening remarks by local hosts.

9.15 Session 1 [Plenary Session]

Room: Festsaal

Chair: Arzu Kibris

Kurdish Territorial Gains as a Result of Islamic State's Collapse: An Analysis of the Strategic Contest over Territorial Control

Scott Gates

When Are People Concerned About Public Violence Against Women? Experimental Evidence from Mexico

Sara Polo

Patterns of Trade in Medical Goods: A Tale of Two Regime Types

Michael Bayerlein

10.45 COFFEE BREAK (30min)

11.15 Parallel Session 1

Rebel Resources and Governance
Room: Festsaal

"Face the Bullet, Spare the Rod?" Evidence from the Aftermath of the Shining Path Insurgency

Prakarsh Singh

Strategic Wartime Reconstruction: Winning Hearts and Minds in Ukraine

Corinne Bara

Armed Group Adaptive Extraction: Evidence from Syria

Joshua Fawcett Weiner (Chair)

Repression

Room: Tieranatomisches Theater (TAT)

Does Repression Work? Evidence from Prisoner Records in the German Democratic Republic

Finn Klebe

The Origin Story: Rulers' Political Socialization and State Repression

Roman-Gabriel Olar

When Autocratisation Turns Violent: Conditions and Mechanisms

Karina Mross (Chair)

Gender

Room: Seminarraum 144

Sexual Violence and Gender in the Long Run

Max Schaub

When Girls Are Taken: Political Consequences of Conflict-Related Sexual Violence and Abductions in Nigeria

Pilar Sanchez Bellosta

When Women Ruled: Political Legacies of Precolonial Female Authority

Kari-Anne Barland (Chair)

Transitional Justice

Room: Seminarraum 220

Aligned Publics, Misaligned Representatives: Victims and Transitional Justice in Colombia

Lesley-Ann Daniels

Does Transitional Justice Strengthen Support for Peace Agreements?

Helga Malmin Binningsbø

The Darker Side of Global Justice? International Prosecutions and Shifts in State-Sponsored Strategies of Violence

Margaux Dandrifosse (Chair)

12.45 LUNCH

14.00 Parallel Session 2

Bargaining and Mediation
Room: Festsaal

Unwilling or Unwanted? The Changing Trajectory of Mediation in Armed Conflicts

Desirée Nilsson

Identifying Feasible Postwar Peace Agreements: Preferences, Expectations, and Willingness to Compromise

Elisa Cavatorta

Information Interventions. Testing the Implications of Endogenous Information Asymmetry in Crisis

Bargaining

Nils Metternich (Chair)

Development
Room: TAT

Conflict, Contraception, and Children: The Peace Dividend of Fertility Decline in Nigeria

Albena Sotirova

Peacekeeping Beyond Peace: The Impact of UN PKOs on Educational Outcomes in Africa

Roos Haer

Sharing the Pie vs Growing the Pie in Peacebuilding

Lydia Karga (Chair)

Violent Repertoire
Room: Seminarraum 144

Micro-Ideologies and Target Selection in Armed Conflict

Geraldine Bustos-Zamora

Abducting as Substitutes and Complements to Killings: Insights from the Korean War

Seunghoon Chae

The Geography of Repression: Mapping Territorial Control and Clandestine Violence

Nikandros Ioannidis (Chair)

Arms
Room: Seminarraum 220

National Security vs. Human Security: Intrastate Conflict and States' Rhetoric on Conventional Arms

Control in the United Nations General Assembly

Tobias Risse

How War Changes Attitudes towards Arms Exports: Evidence from Repeated Conjoint Experiments in France and Germany 2020 and 2023

Fabian Haggerty

Merit, Power, and Mass Purges in the Armed Forces

Marco Nicola Binetti (Chair)

15.30 COFFEE BREAK (15min!)

15.45 Parallel Session 3

Coups

Room: Festsaal

Leadership Turnover and the Timing of Civil War

Burcu Savun

Rivals in Peace, Allies in War: Understanding Multi-Ethnic Civil War

Julian Wucherpfennig

Ballots, Boycotts, and the Barracks: Election Boycotts and Attempted Coups in Electoral Authoritarian Regimes

Sebastian van Baalen (Chair)

Consequences of Conflict

Room: TAT

Challenges in the Study of the Consequences of Civil War

Ana Arjona

Racial Violence and Resilience: Evidence from Linked U.S. Census Data on Lynchings and Black Economic Outcomes

Adrian Arellano

How Bad is Worse? The Compound Effects of Conflict and Climate Extremes on Local Development

Eirin Haugseth (Chair)

Peace Agreement and Peace Building

Room: Seminarraum 144

Looking Ahead or Looking Back? Time Orientation of Peace Agreements and Success Over Time

Keren Winter Dinur

Politicization of Peace Treaties: Beyond Humiliation and Populism

Resat Bayer

Preparing Sustainable Peace – Reducing the Complexity of Conflict Issues

Cornelius Haritz

How Bureaucrats Prioritize among Municipalities when Allocating Peace Agreement Projects: Pre-registration of a Conjoint Survey Experiment in Colombia

Karin Dyrstad (Chair)

Terrorism

Room: Seminarraum 220

Violent Shocks, Identity Filters: How Terrorism Shapes Intergroup Trust

Elena Miscischia

Arms Imports and Terrorism in Sub-Saharan Africa, 1970-2020: When Coercive Capacity Doesn't Translate into Counterterrorism

Anna Balestra

Counterterrorism Blowback: Repressive Legislation, Conflict Escalation, and Coup Risk

Graig Klein (Chair)

17:15 BREAK (15min!)



Room: Festsaal

17.30 NEPS LectureCosmopolitanism as a Core Value: The Importance of International Collaboration in Peace Science

Idean Salehyan (University of Georgia)

Award Winners Ceremony

NEPS Medal for the Best Publication in Peace Science in 2025

Young Scholars Support Program Recipients

Stuart Bremer Travel Award

20.00 Social Event

Boat ride and dinner on the Spree aboard the historic steamship Kaiser Friedrich, from 8 p.m. to 11 p.m., departing from and arriving at Berlin's historic harbour [“Historischer Hafen”](#). Admission is strictly limited to participants who have formally RSVP'ed. Walk-ups cannot be accommodated.

TUESDAY, JUNE 23**09.00 Parallel Session 4**

Climate

Room: Festsaal

Caught between Drought and Conflict? Estimating and Understanding Resource-constrained Immobility and its Consequences

Maxine Leis

Measuring Social Vulnerability to Climate Change: An Index for Refugees in Jordan

Sarah Fenzl

Do Weather Shocks Increase the Potential for Peace Events?

Neil Ferguson

Conflict, Disasters, and Social Trust: A Cross-national Analysis in South and Southeast Asia

Elisabeth L. Rosvold (Chair)

Popular Support

Room: TAT

Economic Concerns and Public Support for Ukraine: Evidence from Observational and Experimental Data

Kerim Kavaklı

Why Do Citizens Support Authoritarian Policies? Evidence from the Salvadoran Gang Crackdown

Daniel Kuhlen

Regime Loyalty during Wartime: Evidence from Nazi Germany

Felix Haass

"Who Deserves Our Support?" Foreign Public Attitudes Toward Dissident Groups

Efe Tokdemir (Chair)

Alliances

Room: Seminarraum 144

The Moral Hazard of Alliances: When and How External Guarantees Increase Internal Repression

Julian Walterskirchen

The Determinants of Defense Burden Sharing in the European Union from 1980 to 2024

Sara Mombelli

A Grand Strategy for Growth

Jonathan Markowitz

Helping Your Partners in Need? The Reliability of Defense and Cooperation Agreements and Military Interventions

Margit Bussmann (Chair)

Postwar Tensions

Room: Seminarraum 220

Recipes for Trust: Gastronomy as a Site for Everyday Peace

Maria-Paula Espejo

From the Frying Pan, into the Fire? Community Social Capital and Post-conflict Violence

Andrea Arroyo

Fostering Resilience: Evaluating Intergroup Interventions in Preventing Ethnic Polarization in a Post-Conflict Context

Sandra Penic (Chair)

**10.30 COFFEE BREAK (30min)****11.00 Parallel Session 5**

Territorial Control and Dynamics

Room: Festsaal

Bombing to Lose: Exposure to Airstrikes and Ukrainian Attitudes Towards Territorial Concessions. A Natural Experiment

Artem Kyzym

Inequality, Taxation, and Shifting Borders: A Theory of Territorial Expansion

Luis De la Calle

When Control Shifts: Territorial Dynamics and Civilian Protection in Civil War

Hyunjung Park

Justice

Room: TAT

What Explains Popular Support for International Law Violations in a Violent Conflict? Insights from the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict

Alon Yakter

Understanding the Backlash over Transitional Justice Policies

Francisco Villamil

Legal or Political Punishment? Exploring the deterrence and compellence effect of different responses to mass atrocities

Lisa Hultman (Chair)

Youth as Peace Builders

Room: Seminarraum 144

Children and Territorial Peace in Colombia: Local-Level Evidence on the Peace Agreement

Implementation

Gudrun Østby

Treatment Effects on the Non-treated: Measuring the Spillover of a Peacebuilding Intervention in Youth Networks

Julia Köbrich

Youth Peacebuilders: Can Dialogue Training Increase Youth Digital and Civic Engagement for

Interreligious Peace?

Theodora Benesch (Chair)

Mortality

Room: Seminarraum 220

Convenient Morality: Global Sensitivity to Wartime Legal Violations

Nivedita Jhunjunwala

Armed Conflict, Development Aid, and Infant Mortality

Workineh Ayenew Mossie

Clustering Armed Conflicts by Demographic Patterns of Mortality: A Comparative Analysis

Michael Spagat (Chair)



12.30 LUNCH

14:00 Parallel Session 6

Restriction and laws on individual and group rights
Room: Festsaal

The Citizen Dilemma: Habeas Corpus aut Securitas? Exposure to Political Violence, Individual Liberties and Community Safety

Stefano Costalli

Restrictions of Ethnic Group Rights and the Violent Escalation of Self-Determination Conflicts

Micha Germann

Whose rights are worth defending? Elite narratives on organized violent crime and public support for liberal democracy in Europe

Annekatriin Deglow (Chair)

Migration
Room: TAT

Risk and Rescue: Irregular Migration Across Origin and Transit

Sarah Langlotz

Solidarity or Strain? Inter-Migrant Perceptions among Sub-Saharan Migrants in Tunisia

Heidrun Bohnet

For Kin and Country: Russia's Invasion of Ukraine and Immigrant Wellbeing

Vincenzo Bove (Chair)

Conflict Data and Reporting
Room: Seminarraum 220

Measuring What We Don't Know: Uncertainty Quantification for Human Rights Text Data

Sara Kallis

Conflict Reporting Delay – Where, When and Why?

Faniry Andrimijoro Razakason

Creating Custom Event Data: A Bag-of-Tricks

Andreas Beger (Chair)

15.30 COFFEE BREAK (15min!)

15.45 Parallel Session 7

Elections

Room: Festsaal

The Impact of Armed Conflict on Voter Turnout: A Regional Analysis of African Parliamentary and Presidential Elections since the 1990s

Marianne Dahl

Democracy in Chains: The Long-Run Legacies of WWI Prisoner of War Camps

Melanie Sauter

Elections, Government Turnover, and Citizen Acceptance of Political Violence: Evidence from Election Panel Surveys in Zambia and Kenya

Inken von Borzyskowski (Chair)

Institutional Competition and Delegation

Room: TAT

Devolving the Monopoly on Violence: The Security Implications of the Transfer of State Functions to Traditional Institutions

Alexander De Juan

The Process of Pacification. Concept, Driving Forces, and Research Agenda

Enzo Nussio

Precolonial States and Coup Risk: Historical Legacies of Military Organization

Christoffer Andersen (Chair)

Intergroup Relations

Room: Seminarraum 144

Time, Inclusion, and Peace: How Minority Holiday Recognition Shapes Political Violence

Xin Nong

Religious Elites, (Non)Politicization, and Intergroup Attitudes among Muslim Immigrants in Germany

Osman Suntay

Enforced Unity: Wartime Tightness and In-Group Policing in a Divided City

Noam Brenner (Chair)

Forecasting

Room: Seminarraum 220

Dynamic Simulation vs. Long-Horizon Prediction for Politically Sensitive Economic Growth Forecasting: A Comparative Evaluation

Jonas Vestby

Forecasting Accurately in Space and Time (FAST): Explainability for End-Users

Patrick Brandt

Conflict, Political Institutions, and the Future of Extreme Poverty: Projections under Alternative Socioeconomic and Political Pathways

Paola Vesco (Chair)

17:15 BREAK (15min!)



Room: Festsaal

17:30 General Assembly meeting

Arzu Kibris, Executive Coordinator of NEPS

18:00 Drinks Reception, opening with a book presentation by Anke Hoeffler

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24****9.00 Parallel Session 8**

New Types of Conflict Data
Room: Festsaal

Seismo-Acoustics Track War Like Nothing Else

Sebastian Schutte

From Pixels to Events: Linking Satellite-Derived Land Cover and Vegetation Changes to Conflict Data

Cecile Richetta

The Sound of Emotions in Times of War: Capturing Collective Emotions through Music Charts in Israel

Simon Hug (Chair)

Urbanization
Room: TAT

The Politics of Violent Evictions in Urban Africa

Kristine Höglund

Homogeneous Cities? How Conflict and Politics Shape the Urban Topography

Martin Macias Medellin

Still No Urbanization Bomb?

Halvard Buhaug (Chair)

Regime Change and Protest
Room: Seminarraum 144

Contentious Regime Transformation in the Shadow of Nationalism

Fabio D'Aguanno

Competition between Violent and Nonviolent Groups in Revolutions

Mario Ferrero

Explaining the Geography of Discontent: How Economic Shocks Affect the Spatial Dynamics of Protest

Paul Binder

Retreat or Remobilization? Public Reactions to Autocratic Concessions to Mass Mobilization

Jan Rustemeyer (Chair)

Agriculture
Room: Seminarraum 220

Perennial Loss? The Socioeconomic Consequences of Olive Tree Destruction in the West Bank

Nils Jonas Hein

Consolidating Power in Fragile States: Evidence from Afghanistan's Poppy Ban

Julia Fischer

Policing the Plantation: Repressive Institutions and Labor Control in Assam, India

Emily Russell (Chair)

10.30 COFFEE BREAK (30min)

11.00 Parallel Session 9

Conflict Onset
Room: Festsaal

Grievances and Opportunity: Uncovering Causal Mechanisms with Structural Equation Modelling

Hannah Frank

A Perspective-taking Model of Conflict

Thorsten Janus

Liberal Peace and Democratic Decline

Kristian Skrede Gleditsch (Chair)

Media
Room: TAT

Peacebuilding and Aspirations: Evidence from Kyrgyzstan

Tatiana Orozco Garcia

In the Name of Cyber Security: Internet Regulation and Journalist Repression in Africa

Maurice Schumann

States in War: No Such Thing as Bad Publicity

Leslie Aileen Virginia Fischer (Chair)

UN PKO
Room: Seminarraum 144

Winning Peace Indirectly: UN Peacekeepers' Security Activities as a Driver of Local Support

Burak Giray

Beyond Fatalities: Peacekeeping and the Spatial Dynamics of Conflict

Thomas Schincariol

Beyond Casualties: How Peacekeeper Targeting Affects Mission Effectiveness and Outcomes

Fareeda Khalifa (Chair)

Ideology
Room: Seminarraum 220

Liberation Theology and the Longevity and Success of Armed Groups

Naz Avdan

Peacetime Ideology, Wartime Agitation: How Militants Tailor Propaganda to Conflict Intensity

Ipek Sener

White and Red Terror: Ideology and State Violence after Autocratic Regime Establishment

Marius Mehrl (Chair)

12:30 END OF CONFERENCE