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

**MONDAY, JUNE 20**

**8.30** Registration  
*Room: Cripta Aula Magna*

**9.00** Welcome by Raul Caruso, Catholic University of the Sacred Heart, Executive director of NEPS

**9.20** Session 1, [Plenary Session]  
*Room: Cripta Aula Magna*  
**Chair: Raul Caruso**, Catholic University of the Sacred Heart

1) **The Tragedy Of The Commons In A Violent World**  
   Petros G. Sekeris, University of Portsmouth  
   [NEPS Medal 2015]

2) **Prudence Vs Predation and the Gains from Trade**  
   Michelle R. Garfinkel, University of California-Irvine  
   Constantinos Syropoulos, Drexel University  
   Thomas Zylkin, National University of Singapore

3) **Soldiers and Rebels. Coups and Civil Wars in Weakly Institutionalized and Fragmented**  
   Andrea Vindigni, IMT School for Advanced Studies Lucca  
   Daron Acemoglu, MIT  
   Davide Ticchi, Marche Polytechnic University

**10.50** Break

**11.00** Parallel Session 2  
*Room 1: Cripta Aula Magna*  
**Chair: Branislav L. Slantchev**, University of California-San Diego

4) **Jihad Against Hamas? The Hesovatos Syndrome and the Paradox of Targeting European Jews**  
   Mario Ferrero, University of Eastern Piedmont  
   Jean-Paul Azam, Toulouse School of Economics

5) **From Numerical Considerations to Theoretical Solutions: A Marriage of Game Theory and Technology**  
   Catherine C. Langlois, Georgetown University  
   Jean-Pierre P. Langlois, San Francisco State University

6) **Why Authoritarian Elections?**  
   Branislav L. Slantchev, University of California-San Diego  
   Kelly Matush, University of California-San Diego
Room 2: Aula Maria Immacolata  
Chair: Andrea Ruggeri, University of Oxford

7) **UN Mission Leaderships and Peacekeeping Effectiveness**  
   Andrea Ruggeri, University of Oxford  
   Vincenzo Bove, University of Warwick

8) **The Causes and Consequences of Election Violence: Introducing the Global Election Violence Dataset**  
   Inken von Borzyskowski, Florida State University

9) **The Logic of Selective and Indiscriminate Terrorist Violence**  
   Sara M. T. Polo, Rice University

12.30 LUNCH

14.00 Parallel Session 3

Room 1: Cripta Aula Magna  
Chair: Arzu Kibris, Sabancı University

10) **Does Decentralisation Prevent or Mitigate Ethnic Conflict? New Evidence from Combining the Regional Authority Index and the Ethno-Power Relations Dataset**  
   Jean-Pierre Tranchant, University of Sussex

11) **Socioeconomic Shocks and Urban Unrest**  
   Henrik Urdal, PRIO  
   Henry Thomson, Nuffield College and University of Oxford  
   Elisabeth L. Rosvold, PRIO  
   Halvard Buhaug, PRIO

12) **Urbanization and Civil War Onset**  
   Arzu Kibris, Sabancı University  
   Kerim Can Kavaklı, Sabancı University

Room 2: Aula Maria Immacolata  
Chair: Kristin M. Bakke, University College

13) **Does reduced livelihood increase the willingness to use violence? A village level natural experiment**  
   Jonas Nordkvelle, PRIO

14) **Looking Back on Anger: Explaining the Social Origins of Left-Wing and Nationalist-Separatist Terrorism in Western Europe, 1970-2007**  
   Tim Krieger, University of Freiburg  
   Sarah Brockhoff, University of Freiburg  
   Daniel Meierrieks, University of Freiburg

15) **Legacies of Violence: Security Sector Trust and Authority in Nagorno Karabakh**  
   Kristin M. Bakke, University College London
15:30  Coffee Break

15:45  Parallel Session 4

**Room 1: Cripta Aula Magna**

**Chair: Kristian Skrede Gleditsch**, University of Essex

16)  Can Indiscriminate Violence against Civilians be Effective? The Logic of Group-Selective Violence
   Jürgen Brandsch, University of St. Andrews

17)  Spatio-temporal diffusion of civilian targeting in Africa
   Piotr Lis, Coventry University
   Uih Ran Lee, University of Bradford
   Michael Spagat, Royal Holloway University of London

18)  To be on the safe side: Government repression in space and time
   Kristian Skrede Gleditsch, University of Essex
   Janina Beiser, University of Essex

**Room 2: Aula Maria Immacolata**

**Chair: Raul Caruso**, Catholic University of the Sacred Heart

19)  Convergence Patterns in Defence Burdens Globally: Findings for the Cold and post-Cold War Periods
   Christos Kollias, University of Thessaly
   Paschalis Arvanitidis, University of Thessaly

20)  Economic Sanctions and Military Force: Different Tools for Multiple Jobs
   T. Clifton Morgan, Rice University

21)  How does Stalemate Affect Military Spending? Theory and Evidence
   Raul Caruso, Catholic University of the Sacred Heart
   Jun Xiang, Rutgers University

**Room 3: Aula Borsi**

**Chair: Tobias Böhmelt**, University of Essex and ETH Zürich

22)  Pro-Government Militias as a strategy to Violent and Non-Violent Campaigns?
   Catharina Lewerenz, University of Oxford

23)  Military Power Balance and the Prospects of Post-Conflict Peace
   Margit Bussmann, University of Greifswald
   Florian Ranft, University of Greifswald

24)  Irregular Force Structure: Paramilitary Forces and Pro-Government Militias
   Tobias Böhmelt, University of Essex and ETH Zürich
   Govinda Clayton, University of Kent

17.00  Break

17.15  Parallel Session 5

**Room 1: Cripta Aula Magna**

**Chair: Halvard Buhaug**, PRIO

25)  The Hunger Games: Food Prices, Ethno-Political Exclusion and Nonviolent Unrest in Africa
   Luke Abbs, University of Kent
26) ** Redistribution of Economic Resources due to Conflict: The Maoist Uprising in Nepal**
   Anirban Mitra, University of Oslo
   Shabana Mitra, Indian Institute of Management Bangalore

27) **Food price shocks and political instability across scales**
   Halvard Buhaug, PRIO
   Elisabeth Gilmore, University of Maryland
   Kevin Jones, University of Maryland
   Ida Rudolfsen, Uppsala University and PRIO

Room 2: Aula Maria Immacolata

Chair: **Theodora-Ismene Gizelis**, University of Essex

28) **Reintegration of survivors of conflict-related sexual violence in Eastern DRC: What works?**
   Ragnhild Nordås, PRIO
   Susanne Allden, ICART
   Tina Amisi, ICART
   Rosalie Bieba, ICART
   Aline Cikara, ICART
   Gudrun Østby, PRIO
   Siri Rustad, PRIO
   John Quattrocchi, ICART
   Christina Amisi, ICART

29) **After War: The Long-Term Effects of Sexual Violence on Community Cohesion in Sierra Leone**
   Carlo Koos, University of Konstanz

30) **UN Security Council Resolutions and Sexual Violence in Civil Wars**
   Theodora-Ismene Gizelis, University of Essex
   Michelle Benson, SUNY-Buffalo

Room 3: Aula Borsi

Chair: **Marijke Verpoorten**, University of Antwerp and University of Leuven

31) **Disentangling the mechanisms of horizontal inequality and mobilization for violent versus nonviolent conflict**
   Solveig Hillesund, University of Oslo

32) **Oil Discoveries and Democracy**
   Roberto Ricciuti, University of Verona, CESifo and ESID
   Tania Masi, University of Verona

33) **To dig, to fight, or to ...? Mineral resources, employment opportunities and conflict in South-Kivu, DRC**
   Marijke Verpoorten, University of Antwerp and University of Leuven
   Nik Stoop, University of Leuven and University of Antwerp
   Janvier Kilosho, Université Catholique de Bukavu and University of Antwerp

19.00 Business Meeting (NEPS Members only) – Cripta Aula Magna
TUESDAY, JUNE 21

8.30 Parallel Session 6

Room 1: Cripta Aula Magna
Chair: Nils W. Metternich, University College London

34) Localized legacies of civil war: Post-war violent crime in Northern Ireland
   Annekatrin Deglow, Uppsala University
35) Refugees and the expectation of victory by one-sided violence perpetrators
   Nils W. Metternich, University College London
   Yvoni Efstathiou, University College London
   Sandra Hain, University College London
   Carolyn Maurer, University College London
   Lucas Pokrywa, University College London
   Simon Woell, University College London
36) Civil Conflict and Population Concentration
   Rafael González-Val, Universidad de Zaragoza and Institut d’Economia de Barcelona
   David Cuberes, Clark University

Room 2: Aula Maria Immacolata
Chair: Anja Shortland, King’s College London

37) The paradox of agency: how fighting over issues turns into hatred against identities.
   Sebastian Schütte, University of Konstanz
38) Minding the Human Rights Compliance Gap
   Scott Gates, University of Oslo and PRIO
   Håvard Mokleiv Nygård, PRIO
   Håvard Strand, University of Oslo and PRIO
39) Explaining Global Patterns of Kidnap for Ransom
   Anja Shortland, King’s College London

10.00 Break

10.15 Parallel Session 7

Room 1: Cripta Aula Magna
Chair: Sara Balestri, DISEIS and CSCC, Catholic University of the Sacred Heart

40) Does Income Inequality Lead to Terrorism?
   Daniel Meierrieks, University of Freiburg
   Tim Krieger, University of Freiburg
41) Democratization and the distribution of income
   Michael T. Dorsch, Central European University, School of Public Policy
   Paul Maarek, Université de Cergy-Pontoise
42) This land is my land: Large-Scale Land Acquisitions and civil conflict in Sub-Saharan Africa
   Sara Balestri, DISEIS and CSCC, Catholic University of the Sacred Heart
   Mario A. Maggioni, DISEIS and CSCC, Catholic University of the Sacred Heart
43) Which institutions matter? Re-assessing and nuancing the regime type-civil war relationship
Hanne Fjelde, Uppsala University
Håvard Hegre, PRIO
Håvard Mokleiv Nygård, PRIO

44) Analyzing the Impact of Micro-dynamics of Fighting on Conflict Outcomes
Kaisa Hinkkainen, University of Lincoln
Gaku Ito, University of Tokyo

45) Mediating jihadist conflicts: Conflict resolution and the global patterns of religiously defined armed conflicts
Desirée Nilsson, Uppsala University
Isak Svensson, Uppsala University

11.45 Parallel Session 8

Room 1: Cripta Aula Magna
Chair: TBA

46) Sequenced or gradual support for peace and democracy after civil war? An analysis of international strategies at critical junctures
Karina Mroß, University of St. Gallen and German Development Institute

47) Democracy, state capacity and civil wars: a new look on an old question
Domenico Rossignoli, DISEIS and ASERI, Catholic University of the Sacred Heart

48) Is Peacemaking Good Politics? Investigating the Relationship Between Border Settlement and Leader Turnover
Krista E. Wiegand, University of Tennessee
Andrew P. Owsiak, University of Georgia
Thorin M. Wright, Arizona State University

Room 2: Aula Maria Immacolata
Chair: Desirée Nilsson, Uppsala University

49) Health Care Utilization in Post-conflict Chittagong Hill Tracts Region of Bangladesh
Muhammad Badiuzzaman, International Institute of Social Studies (ISS)
Syed Mansoob Murshed, International Institute of Social Studies (ISS)

50) Hard to forget: The long-lasting impact of war on mental health
Massimiliano Bratti, University of Milan and IZA
Mariapia Mendola, University of Milano-Bicocca and IZA
Alfonso Miranda, CIDE and IZA

51) Legacies of Civil Wars: The Long Term Health Costs Long After the Fighting Ends
Nan Tian, University of Cape Town
J. Paul Dunne, University of Cape Town

Room 3: Aula Borsi
Chair: Renato Corbetta, University of Alabama at Birmingham

52) Negotiating the ICC
James Morrow, University of Michigan

53) New Leaders, Old Agreements: Leadership Changes and the Durability of Post- Intra-state Conflict Peace Settlements
Carmela Lutmar, University of Haifa
54) **State Membership in Networks of Hard International Law Based Organizations**
   Renato Corbetta, University of Alabama at Birmingham
   Charles Böhmer, University of Texas at El Paso

13:15 Lunch

14:20 Parallel Session 9

   **Room 1: Cripta Aula Magna**
   Chair: TBA

55) **Aiding the unrest? Climatic disasters, disaster aid and the dynamics of violent conflict**
   Elisabeth L. Rosvold, PRIO

56) **Fueling Conflict? (De)Escalation and Bilateral Aid**
   Sarah Langlotz, Heidelberg University
   Richard Bluhm, Leibniz University Hannover
   Martin Gassebner, Leibniz University Hannover
   Paul Schaudt, Leibniz University Hannover

57) **Modeling the Relationship between Development Aid and Intrastate Armed Conflict**
   Karsten Donnay, Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies and ETH Zürich
   Ravinder Bhavnani, Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies

   **Room 2: Aula Maria Immacolata**
   Chair: Olga N. Shemyakina, Georgia Institute of Technology

58) **Does war empower women? Evidence from Timor Leste**
   Marinella Leone, University of Sussex
   Patricia Justino, University of Sussex
   Paola Salardi, University of Toronto

59) **Girls with Guns! Explaining the Use of Female Child Soldiers in Civil War**
   Roos van der Haer, University of Konstanz
   Tobias Böhmelt, University of Essex and ETH Zürich

60) **Domestic Violence and Armed Conflict: Attitudes and Experiences**
   Olga N. Shemyakina, Georgia Institute of Technology
   Giulia La Mattina, University of South Florida

15:50 Coffee Break

16:00 Parallel Session 10

   **Room 1: Cripta Aula Magna**
   Chair: Ranan D. Kuperman, University of Haifa

61) **What Crisis? Improving Studies of Economic Crisis and Political Conflicts**
   Suthan Krishnarajan, Aarhus University

62) **Reporting bias in domestic and international coverage of conflict: Evidence from the Iraq war**
   Nathan Woolley, Royal Holloway, University of London

63) **The perils of dyad-years: How the unit of analysis affects regression models of interstate conflict**
   Ranan D. Kuperman, University of Haifa
64) Disinformation and Misinformation: Organizational Self-Assessment in the Military
   William Wagstaff, Emory University
65) The Anatomy of State Repression – Micro-Level Analyses of the Internal Organization of the Colonial Police Forces of former German Southwest Africa
   Alexander De Juan, University of Konstanz
   Fabian Krautwald, Freie Universität Berlin
   Jan Pierskalla, Ohio State University
66) Drafting Disputes: Military Labor, Regime Type and Interstate Conflict
   Erik Gartzke, University of California-San Diego

Room 3: Aula Borsi
Chair: Thomas Gries, University of Paderborn

67) Re-establishing the Social Contract? The Enduring Effects of State Repression on Trust in State Security Institutions
   Anita Ravishankar, University of Michigan
68) Trust-building in statebuilding areas via text messages
   Enzo Nussio, ETH Zürich
   Miguel García, Universidad de los Andes
   Ben Oppenheim, New York University
69) An Economic Theory of ‘Destabilization War’
   Thomas Gries, University of Paderborn
   Natasa Bilkic, University of Paderborn
   Claus-Jochen Haake, University of Paderborn

17:30 Break

Plenary Session
Room 1: Cripta Aula Magna

18.00 Roundtable “Global Civil Society meets Peace Scientists”

Franco Anelli, Rector, Catholic University of the Sacred Heart
Guido Stefano Merzoni, Dean, Faculty of Political and Social Sciences of the Catholic University of the Sacred Heart
Raul Caruso, Catholic University of the Sacred Heart.
Kristian Skrede Gleditsch, University of Essex
Camilla Schippa, Institute of Economics and Peace

19.15 – NEPS Lecture

Climate Change and Security: Taking Stock
Halvard Buhaug, PRIO

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End of Day 2

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22

9.00 Parallel Session 11
Room 1: Cripta Aula Magna
Chair: Raul Caruso, Catholic University of the Sacred Heart

70) The Less Extreme, the More You Leave: Radical Islam and Willingness to Migrate
Valentina Rotondi, Catholic University of the Sacred Heart and LCSR, National Research University
Chiara Falco, University of Milano-Bicocca and Catholic University of the Sacred Heart

71) Climate refugees: the impact on emigration
Zorzeta Bakaki, ETH Zürich

72) How Moderates can Exploit Breakaway Radicals' Terrorism to their Advantage
Margherita Belgioioso, University of Essex

Room 2: Aula Maria Immacolata
Chair: Lisa Hultman, Uppsala University

73) Peacekeepers against ethnic violence
Jessica Di Salvatore, University of Amsterdam

74) Rethinking Disarmament: An Empirical Evaluation of the Impact of Disarmament on Peacemaking Efforts and Conflict Recurrence
Jamie Levin, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Dan Miodownik, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

75) Credible deterrence? Peacekeeping responses to violence against civilians
Lisa Hultman, Uppsala University

10.30 Break

10.45 Parallel Session 12
Room 1: Cripta Aula Magna
Chair: Marijke Verpoorten, University of Antwerp and University of Leuven

76) Micro-Foundational Roots of Transnational Ethnic Ties
Belgin San-Akca, Koc University
Ali Carkoglu, Koc University

77) War, States and Recruitment: Evidence from Angola
Wolfgang Stojetz, ISDC-International Security and Development Center

78) The Logic of Rebel Governance
Adrian Florea, University of Glasgow
Room 2: Aula Maria Immacolata
Chair: TBA

    Katharina Pfaff, University of Hamburg
    Agnes Brender, University of Hamburg

80) The Impact of Conflict on Trade – Evidence from Panel Data
    Katrin Kamin, University of Kiel

81) Dynamics of the International Trade of Arms 1950-2013: A Network Approach
    Paul W. Thurner, Ludwig-Maximilians-University of Munich
    Skyler Cranmer, Ohio State University
    Goeran Kauermann, Ludwig-Maximilians-University of Munich
    Christian Schmid, Penn State University

12.15 Break

12.30 Parallel Session 13

Room 1: Cripta Aula Magna
Chair: Andrea Ruggeri, University of Oxford

82) Shaming the Shameless: Exploring the conditions under which shaming can reduce wartime sexual violence
    Karin Johansson, Uppsala University

83) Occupying forces, national incumbents and violent strategies. German and Fascist violence in Italy (1943-1945)
    Stefano Costalli, University of Essex
    Francesco Nicolò Moro, University of Milan-Bicocca
    Andrea Ruggeri, University of Oxford

84) Children of war: the impact of military restrictions at an early age
    Elisa Cavatorta, King’s College London and Institute for Fiscal Studies
    Daniela Uribe, Universidad del Pacifico

Room 2: Aula Maria Immacolata
Chair: Antoine Pietri, University Paris 1, CES

85) The different impact of cell phone coverage on violence and nonviolence: The case of political conflicts in Nepal
    Johannes Vüllers, University of Konstanz

86) Comparing Contest Success Functions: Evidence from Virtual Worlds
    Antoine Pietri, University Paris 1, CES
    Sébastien Massoni, Queensland University of Technology
    Carl Mildenberger, University of St. Andrews

14.00 Goodbye - End of the conference