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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 Herostratos 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 Rudolfson, 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  
Annekatriin 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 Gonzalez-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 Schutte, University of Konstanz
- 38) Minding the Human Rights Compliance Gap  
Scott Gates, University of Oslo and PRIO  
Håvard Mogleiv 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



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

- 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: J. Paul Dunne, University of Cape Town**

- 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



## Room 2: Aula Maria Immacolata

Chair: Erik Gartzke, University of California-San Diego

- 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  
Colin Archer, International Peace Bureau.

### 19.15 – NEPS Lecture

Climate Change and Security: Taking Stock  
Halvard Buhaug, PRIO

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2016 Lewis Fry Richardson Lifetime Achievement Award  
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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**

- 79) (Still) Tools of Latent Repression Variables? Re-assessing the Effect of Arms Imports on Human Rights  
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 Niccolò 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 Mildemberger, University of St. Andrews

**14.00 Goodbye - End of the conference**