Upcoming Research Events

13 Monday
GTP & CONFEDERATION OF SWEDISH ENTERPRISE
Toward a New Dialogue: WTO and Business
18:00–20:30 Terrasse de la paix

14 Tuesday
NO EVENTS

15 Wednesday
NORRAG & GENDER CENTRE WEBINAR
Girls’ Education: Counting the Uncounted
12:30–14:30 online
CCDP
Informal Meeting with UN Special Rapporteur
Fionnuala D. Ni Aoláin
16:00–17:00 Room S3

16 Thursday
GGC & IISD
4th Geneva SDG Community Coffee – HLPF 2022 Updates
08:30–09:30 Cafeteria
GGC & IWSS
OBJECTS OF EXPERTISE II | DAY ONE
The Socio-Material Politics of Expert Knowledge in World Society
12:30–18:00 hybrid

17 Friday
GGC & IWSS
OBJECTS OF EXPERTISE II | DAY TWO
The Digitalisation of Education and Its Impact on the Right to Education
13:00–14:30 online

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Gateway to Publications by Themes

Peace, War, Conflicts & Security
Sustainability, Environment, the Anthropocene & SDGs
Global Health
Cities, Space, Mobilities & Migrations
Development & Cooperation
ARTICLE

The Chinese Approach to Peacebuilding: Contesting Liberal Peace?

There is scant research assessing China’s role against the overall normative structure of the liberal peace paradigm. Xinyu Yuan, PhD Researcher in International Relations/Political Science, proposes a typology of contestation that targets different constitutive parts of liberal peace (in Third World Quarterly, online May 2022). China’s stances on these constitutive parts are scrutinised based on a systematic review of its policy documents and interviews with scholars and practitioners in Beijing, Shanghai, Geneva and New York. The author finds that China has generally abstained from contesting the normative basis of liberal peace (validity contestation). However, it has been actively pursuing content contestation by reshaping the sequencing of existing elements of liberal peace and by incorporating the democratisation of the international system into the peacebuilding agenda. Moreover, China clearly opposes externally formulated or imposed peace solutions, whereby it advances application contestation against liberal peace.

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ARTICLE

Introducing MADECA: New Micro-Data on an Indigenous Self-Determination Conflict

Pedro Cayul, PhD Researcher in Development Economics, and others introduce MACEDA, a micro-level data set on the self-determination conflict between the
Chilean state and the indigenous Mapuche.

DOI
This article was originally published as CIES Research Paper no. 68, 2021 – see Research Bulletin no. 9, 2021.

WORKING PAPER
Armed Conflicts and the Environment: An Assessment of Principle 24 of the Rio Declaration Thirty Years On
This paper assesses the history and significance of Principle 24 of the Rio Declaration, which in 1992 called upon States to respect international law providing protection for the environment in times of armed conflict and to cooperate in its further development. According to Riccardo Pavoni and Dario Piselli, PhD Researcher in International Law, while Principle 24 does not contain specific normative prescriptions, it has translated over the years into a significant and vibrant international law standard (Jean Monnet Module in European and International Environmental Law, University of Siena, February 2022). However, in the light of the gaps and shortcomings that continue to characterise the protection afforded to the environment under international humanitarian law, the authors emphasise the need to develop a comprehensive multilateral convention on armed conflict and the environment, with the aim of bringing the vision of Principle 24 into completion. Available at SSRN

Sustainability, Environment, the Anthropocene & SDGs

ARTICLE
Transnational Partnerships, Domestic Institutions, and Sustainable Development: The Case of Brazil and the Amazon Region Protected Areas Program
Focussing on the Amazon Region Protected Areas (ARPA) partnership and drawing on extensive documentary analysis and fieldwork, Liliana Andonova and Dario Piselli, PhD Researcher in International Law, analyse ARPA's institutional and political effects in Brazil (in World Development, vol. 157, September 2022, online May 2022). The case study reveals the materialisation of a range of capacity-strengthening and environmental impacts, alongside institutional and distributional effects. ARPA has also built upon the infusion of significant domestic resources and relied on a conductive political environment and pre-existing initiatives. On the other hand, while local communities and civil society organisations managed, through advocacy pressure and consultations, to incorporate a greater attention to local livelihoods and participation, the socio-economic components of the programme remained weaker, with more limited success in terms of poverty alleviation. Repository (public access)

ARTICLE
A Macroeconomic Approach to Global Land Use Policy
It is important to dedicate substantial parts of the global land supply to public good uses in the 21st century, for purposes of climate change management and biodiversity provision. But will it also be possible to meet the food requirements of 12 billion people while doing so? Using a macroeconomic model (MAVA), Pedro Naso, Ozgun Haznedar, Bruno Lanz and Timothy Swanson demonstrate that it may be possible to provide both for food requirements and environmental services in the long run (in Resource and Energy Economics, online April 2022). They first show that it may be possible to provide for food requirements with very substantial constraints on the amount of land used in agriculture with relatively minor welfare losses. They then show that global policies that re-allocate labour across sectors may have the capacity for directing the economy toward reduced reliance on land in agriculture. Focusing on land management, research and development, and fertility choices may be the best way to meet these combined goals.

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EDITED BOOK & CHAPTERS

The Palgrave Handbook of International Energy Economics
This handbook, edited by Manfred Hafner and Giacomo Luciani, is distinguished by its emphasis on international energy, rather than domestic energy policies or international geopolitical aspects (Palgrave Macmillan, May 2022). The editors have contributed the following chapters:

– Economics of Power Generation
This introduction to the economics of electricity generation presents the major economic differences between the multiple power generation solutions and highlights the comparative advantages and disadvantages of each.

DOI (open access)

– The Trading and Price Discovery for Natural Gas
Pricing mechanisms are a key element of gas trade, as they concur to determine price levels and define commercial strategies. The old consensus on oil indexation, which had been a pillar of international gas trade for a decade, has been eroded in several regions and more impersonal market exchange now prevails. Beyond Europe and North America, Asia is also gradually moving towards a larger share of hub indexation, although it is still lagging behind in the process of establishing its own hubs. In conclusion, gas prices remain regional even if additional convergence is materialising thanks to the globalising effect of flexible LNG.

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Professor Lucciani is also the author of

– Macroeconomics of the Energy Transition
in which he attempts at disentangling the multiple contrasting interactions between economic conditions and energy transitions. It goes without saying that the net effect, resulting from the balance of such multiple contrasting interactions, is extremely difficult, or even impossible to predict. The author lays special emphasis on the need to shift resources from consumption to investment and the consequent increase in the capital-output ratio, which has also consequences for the distribution of income.

DOI (open access)

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Diplomacy is a constitutive part of the system of global health governance. COVID-19 hit the world when multilateral cooperation was subject to major challenges, and global health has since become integral to geopolitics. The importance of global health diplomacy, especially at WHO, in keeping countries jointly committed to improving health for everyone, has once again been shown. Through a systematic review, Ilona Kickbusch and Austin Liu explore how international relations concepts and theories have been applied to better understand the role of power in shaping positions, negotiations, and outcomes in global health diplomacy (in The Lancet, vol. 399, no. 10341, 4–10 June 2022). A more central role of international relations concepts and theories in analysing global health diplomacy would help develop a more nuanced understanding of global health policymaking. However, the world has changed to an extent that was not envisioned in academic discourse. This shift calls for new international relations concepts and theories to inform global health diplomacy.

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MANUEL

Introduction à la diplomatie en santé mondiale: pour une meilleure santé, plus de solidarité globale et d’équité

Afin de mieux équiper les diplomates et les négociateurs en matière de santé, ce manuel d’Ilona Kickbusch et Michel Kazatchkine, Haik Nikogosian et Mihály Kökény, research fellows au Centre sur la santé mondiale, revu et corroboré par des experts en santé mondiale issus de différents milieux, pays et secteurs, présente les concepts clés de la diplomatie en matière de santé mondiale, décrit les principaux acteurs et activités qui façonnent l’écosystème de la santé mondiale et présente des outils pratiques pour renforcer les les compétences en matière de négociation (Global Health Centre, mars 2022).

Repository (accès public)

The 14th thematic volume of *International Development Policy*, edited and introduced by Dêlidji Eric Degila and Valeria Marina Valle, provides perspectives through case studies from the global South(s) focusing on the challenges and opportunities of governing migration on multiple levels: the subnational, national, regional and international (Graduate Institute Publications and Brill-Nijhoff, 2022). It explores existing and new policies and frameworks in terms of their successes and best practices, and looks at them through the lens of additional challenges, such as those brought on by the COVID-19 pandemic, the rise of nationalisms and an increase in xenophobia. The chapters also take the "5 Ps" approach to sustainable development (people, planet, prosperity, peace and partnerships) and assess how migration policies serve sustainable development in a rapidly evolving context.

**Read online**

*Paperback version forthcoming Autumn 2022.*

### Development & Cooperation

#### POLICY BRIEF

**Aid for Trade Priorities on Plastic Pollution**

Mahesh Sugathan, Senior Policy Advisor at the Forum on Trade, Environment and the SDGs (TESS), identifies how aid for trade could be harnessed to support developing and least developed countries to address the trade-related aspects of the plastic pollution crisis in a manner that is aligned with their priorities and needs (TESS Policy Brief, TESS, May 2022). He suggests a set of short- and medium-term “deliverables” on aid for trade and plastic pollution that WTO members could pursue through the IDP and related cooperation at the WTO.

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### Trade, Finance, Economies & Work

#### POLICY BRIEF

**Plastic Pollution and Trade across the Life Cycle of Plastics: Options for Amending the Harmonized System to Improve Transparency**
A critical missing piece for effective, evidence-based policymaking to tackle plastic pollution is reliable and disaggregated data on cross-border trade flows across the life cycle of plastics. Carla Vaca Eyzaguirre and Carolyn Deere Birkbeck, Senior Researcher at the Global Governance Centre, identify gaps and challenges in the World Custom Organization’s Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System (HS) that are relevant to efforts to tackle plastic pollution (TESS Policy Brief, Forum on Trade, Environment & the SDGs – TESS, May 2022). They then put forward options for amending the HS that would facilitate monitoring and regulation of trade flows across the life cycle of plastics. Drawing from the wide range of potential HS amendment options identified, the authors recommend a subset of options that could be pursued in the current 2022-2027 HS amendment cycle.

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Human Rights, Humanitarianism, Justice & Inclusion

EDITED BOOK CHAPTER

Non-State Actors

It is increasingly recognised that human rights law has to address the challenge posed by non-state actors. Andrew Clapham starts with a reflection on how the term "non-state actor" is used and why it is appropriate to look at the contemporary impact of non-state actors on the enjoyment of human rights (in International Human Rights Law, D. Moeckli, S. Shah and S. Sivakumaran, 4th Edition, Oxford University Press, June 2022). He then recalls the positive obligations of states to protect those within their jurisdiction and elsewhere from abuses by non-state actors and how states provide for redress at the national level. In the next part, he considers the human rights obligations of different non-state actors: international organisations, corporations, and armed non-state actors.

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Gender, Diversity, Race & Intersectionality

ARTICLE

Integrating Gender into Social Marketing Programmes
Social marketing could contribute to reducing gender inequities and inequalities. Drawing on commonly used approaches to gender in global health and development, and taking into consideration critiques of the lack of consideration of gender in social marketing programmes, Nathaly Aya Pastrana, Claire Somerville, Executive Director of the Gender Centre, and L. Suzanne Suggs address gaps in knowledge about gender concepts necessary to understand the lived experiences of people and how these experiences influence behaviour (in *Journal of Marketing Management*, online May 2022). They also present gender integration approaches within a continuum from *gender-unequal* to *gender-transformative*, and use practical examples from social marketing programmes. Pathways to understand how to adopt gender-responsive approaches in the different phases of social marketing programming are proposed. Final reflections beyond programming are also provided to the social marketing community.

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**ARTICLE**

**Legal Gender Recognition in Times of Change at the European Court of Human Rights**

The COVID-19 pandemic has made the role of identity papers for the enjoyment of human rights once more obvious. It is thus a suitable moment to analyse the current implementation of the right to change the gender and/or name on official documents and civil registries in Europe. Lena Holzer, a recent PhD graduate in International Law, specifically examines the jurisprudence on the right to gender recognition of the European Court of Human Rights (in *ERA Forum*, online May 2022). She concludes that the Court is moving towards recognising the right to change one’s legal gender and/or name on an unconditional basis, and that it will need to deliberate on the right to be free from any state-imposed gender label in the future.

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**ARTICLE**

**The Gender Aspect of Migrants’ Assimilation in Europe**

Tae Hoon Lee, PhD Researcher in International Economics, Giovanni Peri and Martina Viarengo explore the understudied gender dimension of the labour market convergence between immigrants and natives in the EU and in Switzerland over 1999–201 (in *Labour Economics*, online May 2022).

**DOI** (open access)

This article is a slightly updated version of IZA Discussion Paper no. 13922, 2020 – see *Research Bulletin* no. 2, 2021.

**WORKING PAPER**

**A Touch of Violence: Welfare Outcomes under Bride Exchange and Child Brides**

Maria Kamran, PhD Researcher in International Economics, investigates the impact of marital traditions on women’s welfare (International Economics Department Working Paper no. 12, 2022). She constructs and structurally estimates a theoretical model to understand how cultural preferences influence a husband’s decision to abuse his wife. Within the context of Pakistani exchange marriage custom – *watta satta* and the practice of child brides – the estimated latent preferences imply that
abusive husbands have a negative perception of time invested in home production and prefer to have a relatively lower contribution to it than wives. Contrary to the literature, the main policy takeaway from the counterfactual policy experiment conducted in this paper is that women’s empowerment schemes for financial independence will fail to impact marital abuse in patriarchal societies, while male-centric policies – favourable perceptions about daughters by men and education for boys – have significant returns. 

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nomadic lifestyles were deemed not only unproductive but outright reckless. Sedentarisation of the nomad was one of the main goals of British colonisers as a form of population control and maintenance of colonial power. Mona Bieling, PhD Researcher in International History and Politics, examines the British colonial belief in Ruined Landscape Theory as applied to arid Mediterranean environments and tries to uncover the goat's role in British environmental orientalism, focusing on Palestine during the British Mandate period (in Diyar, vol. 3, no. 1, May 2022).

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CHAPITRE D'OUVRAGE COLLECTIF

Afrique de l'Ouest: de l'empire lignager à l'Etat-nation, ou le trompe-l'œil de l'historicisme civilisationnel

Les décolonisations, la fin de la guerre froide, la montée des nouvelles puissances industrielles d'Asie ont abouti à l'opposition entre une mondialisation qui rapprocherait inexorablement les modes de vie et un « conflit des civilisations », puisque ces dernières peuvent désormais être considérées comme des acteurs politiques. Dans ces conditions, une histoire universelle des sociétés est-elle encore possible? C'est l'objet du recueil Civilisations, réunissant les contributions d'historiens, d'anthropologues et de philosophes, dont ce chapitre de Jean-François Bayart (R. Debray, H. Laurens et J. Sbai, dir., Les Entretiens de la Fondation des Treilles, Gallimard, juin 2022).

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Other Relevant Information

Multimedia

BOOKS | ALBERT HIRSCHMAN CENTRE ON DEMOCRACY

The Will of the People: Populism and Citizen Participation in Latin America

Yanina Welp, Research Fellow at the Albert Hirschman Centre on Democracy, presents her latest book, in which she discusses questions such as: Why is populism so prolific in the Latin American region? How and where do populist leaders arrive in power? Is there a connection between populism and fascism? Are populist leaders more keen on introducing mechanisms of direct citizen participation?

Watch the video

Visit the book’s page at De Gruyter

ONLINE VIDEO CONFERENCE | GGC, CIES & MINT

Environmental Protection in Antarctica: Temptations and Accountability

In popular imagination, Antarctica, the world’s seventh continent, is a remote and inaccessible continent, whose environment remains pristine. This conference, which took place on 31 May, examined the extent to which real
environmental protection has been achieved in Antarctica and the role of the Antarctic Treaty System (ATS). It featured **Klaus Dodds**, Professor of Geopolitics, Royal Holloway, University of London; **Adrian Howkins**, Reader in Environmental History, Department of History, University of Bristol; **Yelena Yermakova**, Researcher & Author of “Legitimacy of the Antarctic Treaty System: Is It Time for a Reform?”; **Sian Prior**, Shipping Advisor, Antarctic Southern Ocean Coalition (ASOC), and **Mikaa Mered**, Secretary-General, Sciences Po’s Research Chair on Overseas Territories.

**Watch the conference**

**CONFERENCE AUDIO RECORDING | GGC**

**Refugees from Ukraine: The Legal and Policy Challenges of Protection**
In April, three major experts on refugee protection from different fields discussed the current situation in Ukraine: **Madeline Garlick**, Chief, Protection Policy and Legal Advice, the UN Refugee Agency, UNHCR; **Catherine Woollard**, Director of the European Council on Refugees and Exiles; and **Alicia Giraudel**, Legal Adviser and Refugee Coordinator at Amnesty International Switzerland.

**Listen to the conference**

**VIDEO TALK | GGC**

**Art and Power in International Relations**
How are art and power intertwined and what role does art play in international relations and world politics? On 25 April, **Julia Bethwaite**, visiting fellow at the Global Governance Centre, discussed these topics in a talk, focusing on central art institutions such as the Venice Biennale and fine art museums.

**Watch the talk**

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**Calls for Papers and Conference Contributions**

**Submission deadline:** 22 June
**Notification to successful applicants:** late July

**GENEVA PEACE WEEK**

**Peace Is Possible**
Geneva Peace Week 2022 will take place both in-person and also online on 31 October–4 November. The following thematic tracks are proposed to guide content and conversation at GPW22: Rights, Inequalities and Peace: navigating tensions, finding opportunities; Moving beyond securitization: Risk management and new horizons for peacebuilding; Digital Peace: The Power and Limits of Innovation in Peacebuilding; Cultivating cooperation: Environmental challenges and opportunities for peace in a new age of insecurity.

**Read more**
Submission deadline: 1 July
Notifications on papers: by 5 September

**IZA, WORLD BANK, NJD & UNU-WIDER JOBS AND DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE**

**The Challenge of Creating Better Jobs in Developing Countries**

This conference will take place on 14-15 December 2022 in Cape Town, South Africa. It will focus on policy-relevant research, applicable to identifying solutions to jobs challenges in low- and middle-income countries. Full papers or extended abstracts must be submitted by 1 July.

[Read more](#)

Submission deadline: 21 August

**JSPG & GHFUTURES2030**

**Strengthening Youth-Centered Policy and Governance of Digital Transformations in Health**

The *Journal of Science Policy & Governance (JSPG)*, *The Lancet* and Financial Times Commission on Governing health futures 2030: Growing up in a digital world (GHFutures2030) invite students, postdoctoral researchers, policy fellows, early career researchers and young professionals to submit policy briefs, policy analyses and position papers, technology assessments and other articles addressing bold and innovative policy ideas for governing health futures towards the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and achieving health for all.

[Read more](#)

Questions on proposal process: 20 June
Proposal submission: 27 June

**UNU-WIDER & UGANDA REVENUE AUTHORITY (URA) | REQUEST FOR RESEARCH PROPOSALS**

**Analysis on Firms and Taxation Using Micro Data from Uganda**

UNU-WIDER and URA are requesting research proposals, taking advantage of the URA firm panel, that will improve the understanding of the impacts of taxation on firms in the Global South. Researchers with successful proposals will gain access to the anonymised data in the secure research lab located in URA, Kampala, Uganda, premises.

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**Upcoming PhD Defences**

📅 Tuesday 14 June

INTERNATIONAL LAW
The Non-intervention Principle in Contemporary International Law
By Yilin Wang. Committee members: Fuad Zarbiyev, Thesis Director; Andrea Bianchi, President and Internal Reader; Sarah Nouwen, Professor, Department of Law, European University Institute, Florence, Italy.
Join event

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS/POLITICAL SCIENCE
Civil Society Assistance in Restrictive Environments: Case Studies of the Ford Foundation and Oxfam Hong Kong in China (1978–2021)
By Xinyu Yuan. Committee members: Annabelle Littoz-Monnet, Thesis Director; Anna Leander, President and Internal Reader; Ole Jacob Sending, Research Director, Norwegian Institute of International Affairs (NUPI), Oslo, Norway.
Join event

INTERNATIONAL LAW
The Thesis of Indeterminacy of International Law
By Aliki Semertzzi. Committee members: Andrea Bianchi, Thesis Director; Fuad Zarbiyev, President and Internal Reader; Ms Outi Korhonen, Professor, Faculty of Law, University of Turku, Finland.
Join event

INTERNATIONAL LAW
Illicit Trade in the Context of International and WTO Law: Developing an Integrated Perspective
By Mauricio Salcedo Maldonado. Committee members: Joost Pauwelyn, Thesis Director; Fuad Zarbiyev, President and Internal Reader; Mr Petros C. Mavroidis, Professor, Columbia Law School, New York, USA.
Join event

INTERNATIONAL LAW
Trading in the Digital Economy: International Trade Law Implications of Data and Data Flows
By Nivedita Sen. Committee members: Joost Pauwelyn, Thesis Director; Nico Krisch, President and Internal Reader; Mira Burri, Professor, Faculty of Law, University of Lucerne.
Join event

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