



International Security Forum **2011**

30 May - 1 June 2011 | Zurich, Switzerland

»Regional and Global Security:
Meeting Tomorrow's Challenges Today«

Program

14 - 16h
MONDAY

PROGRAM

Host Welcome Address by Prof. Dr. Andreas Wenger
 Welcome Address by Swiss Federal Councillor Ueli Maurer
 Plenary Session: Power Shifts and Regional Order - Revolts and Revolutions in North Africa and the Arabian Peninsula

14 - 16h
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Nuclear Weapons: Between Management and Abolition

Migration and Security

Public-Private Cooperation: Challenges and Opportunities in Security and Development

16:30 - 18h

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TUESDAY

9/11 plus Ten

Terrorism and Counter-Terrorism

Al-Qaeda: Moving on or Marching on?

Radicalization and Deradicalization: How Terrorism Begins and Ends

The Future of International Counter-Terrorism: 9/11 plus 20

Regional Security: Local Dynamics - Global Impact I

Beyond the Process: The Arab-Israeli Impasse

Nuclear Weapons and the Middle East

Modern Piracy: Characteristics, Causes and Responses

The Other Sides of Afghanistan: The Significance of Afghanistan's Neighbourhood

Regional Security: Local Dynamics - Global Impact II

Ethnicity, Migration and Security Concerns in Central Asia

South Caucasus 2020: Future Scenarios, Alternative Realities

Energy Security in a \$100/b World

Linking Regional Peace and Security Frameworks to National Policies: Lessons from West Africa

Present and Future of Conflict

Cyber War: Issues, Trends, Hypes and Threats

Cyber Security: Challenges and Opportunities

Weapons in Defense of the State: When More is Less

Trends in Intelligence

Human Security

Security Policy in a World without Nuclear Weapons

International Humanitarian Law: Challenges of Categorization

Dignity and Global Security

The Impact of Explosive Weapons on Civilians

State Failure / State Building

Armed Violence

New Issues in Peace Mediation

The Challenges of Impact Evaluations in Security-Related Interventions

Building an International Code of Conduct for Private Security Providers

9 - 10:30h
TUESDAY

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WEDNESDAY

UN Targeted Sanctions and WMD Proliferation

Western Security: Lessons, Dynamics and Prospects

Managing the Rise of China

9 - 10:30h
WEDNESDAY

11 - 13h

Plenary Session: Power Shifts and International Order

Closing Address by Prof. Dr. Andreas Wenger

Refreshment & Beverages

Mon.: 16:00 - 16:30 Coffee / 18:00 Reception / 19:30 Official ISF Dinner
 Tue.: 10:30 - 11:00 Coffee / 12:30 - 14:00 Lunch / 15:30 - 16:00 Coffee
 Wed.: 10:30 - 11:00 Coffee / 13:00 Lunch



WELCOME ADDRESS**Ueli Maurer**

Federal Councilor/ Head of the Swiss Federal Department of Defence, Civil Protection and Sport

Ladies and Gentlemen
Dear Participants

It is my pleasure to welcome you to the 9th International Security Forum in Switzerland. I am glad that so many of you have made your way to Zurich. The ISF has found a loyal (and ever-growing) circle of friends around the world – exactly what its founders intended when they launched this conference 17 years ago.



“Regional and Global Security: Meeting Tomorrow’s Challenges Today” is the theme for this year’s ISF. All would agree that action today is better than waiting to undo the problems of tomorrow. This is what we all try to do, in our day-to-day life, and it is what we are bound to seek while preserving and enhancing our security as well.

But we must acknowledge that nothing is more difficult than anticipating the future. Who among us could have predicted the current state of the world even a few years ago? Who could have envisaged the large-scale economic crisis shaking parts of the world, or the nuclear and natural catastrophes that have devastated parts of Japan, or the sweeping revolutions across the Arab world? Very likely no one could have.

There is only one certainty and that is we cannot know the future. However, as security experts and leaders we are nevertheless bound to prepare for uncertain outcomes and to anticipate, as far as possible, what might come.

We are responsible for meeting challenges to our security. Therefore, we gather here, at the ISF 2011, to discuss together – instead of each contemplating alone – what this future might look like. And thereby, hopefully, we will build a clearer vision of what is needed to preserve and enhance security, a precious common good. Towards this end, I wish you all an interesting and inspiring conference!

Ueli Maurer

INTRODUCTION**PROFESSOR DR. ANDREAS WENGER**

Director of the Center of Security Studies

Ladies and Gentlemen,

The Center for Security Studies (CSS) and the International Relations and Security Network (ISN) at ETH Zurich (Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich) are pleased to host the 9th International Security Forum (ISF).

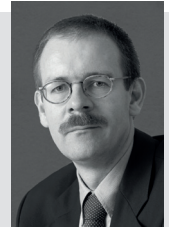
As a Swiss government contribution to the Partnership for Peace program, the International Security Forum is supported by the Swiss Federal Department of Defence, Civil Protection and Sport and the Swiss Federal Department of Foreign Affairs.

The ISF brings together some 450 experts with a security and political analysis background, including politicians, diplomats, civil servants, military officials, academics and representatives from non-governmental organizations. The ISF is a unique opportunity for participants to engage in discussions, meet colleagues, and share ideas.

The ISF is titled “**Regional and Global Security: Meeting Tomorrow’s Challenges Today**”. The conference opens with a plenary session discussing power shifts and regional order in North Africa and the Arabian Peninsula, followed by three topic sessions on day one. The second day features 24 panel sessions covering six themed areas ranging from terrorism to human security. The final day of the conference adds a further three topic sessions before concluding with a plenary session addressing power shifts and the international order. In all, the conference draws together over 100 leading international speakers from prestigious government, think tank and academic posts.

Major conference partners and co-organizers include the Geneva Centre for Security Policy (GCSP), the Geneva Centre for the Democratic Control of Armed Forces (DCAF), the Geneva International Centre for Humanitarian Demining (GICHD), and the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies in Geneva.

*Sincerely,
Andreas Wenger*



KEYNOTE SPEAKER**AMBASSADOR JOHN W LIMBERT**

Distinguished Professor of International Affairs, US Naval Academy

Ambassador John W Limbert will deliver a keynote address in the plenary session “Power Shifts and Regional Order: Revolts and Revolutions in North Africa and the Arabian Peninsula” on 30 May.

John Limbert was appointed Distinguished Professor of International Affairs at the US Naval Academy after retiring from the US Foreign Service with 33 years of service and the rank of Minister-Counselor. While serving as Ambassador to the Islamic Republic of Mauritania, he was one of the first civilian officials to enter Baghdad in April 2003. His overseas experience also included tours in Algeria, Djibouti, Iran, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates.



Location:
Plenary Hall

KEYNOTE SPEAKER**PROFESSOR VOLKER PERTHES**

Director, German Institute for International and Security Affairs (SWP)

Volker Perthes will deliver a keynote address in the plenary session “Power Shifts and Regional Order: Revolts and Revolutions in North Africa and the Arabian Peninsula” on 30 May and speak at the topic session “Western Security: Lessons, Dynamics and Prospects” on 1 June.

Volker Perthes is the executive chairman and director of German Institute for International and Security Affairs (SWP). He was assistant professor at the American University of Beirut from 1991-1993 and joined SWP in 1992 to head the Research Group “Middle East and Africa.” Currently he is professor of Political Science/International Relations at Humboldt University Berlin and Free University of Berlin. He is also a member of the Advisory Council of the Shanghai Institute for International Studies, the Finnish Institute of International Affairs and the Istituto per gli Studi di Politica Internazionale in Milan.



Location:
Plenary Hall

KEYNOTE SPEAKER**YOSSI ALPHER**

Co-Editor of the *bitterlemons* Family of internet publications
Former Director, Jaffee Center for Strategic Studies, Tel Aviv University

Yossi Alpher will deliver a keynote address in the plenary session “Power Shifts and Regional Order: Revolts and Revolutions in North Africa and the Arabian Peninsula” on 30 May.

Yossi Alpher is a consultant and writer on Israel-related strategic issues, and is co-editor of the *bitterlemons* family of internet publications. He also writes *Hard questions, tough answers*, a weekly security Q&A available at *peacenow.org*, and a monthly column, *The strategic interest* (for which he won the 2009 American Jewish Press Association Simon Rockower first place award for excellence in commentary) for The Forward. He serves on the executive committee of the Council for Peace and Security. He was the director of the Jaffee Center for Strategic Studies at Tel Aviv University and the director of the American Jewish Committee’s Israel/Middle East Office in Jerusalem. Since 1992 he has coordinated several track II dialogues between Israelis and Arabs. During the Camp David talks in July 2000, he served as Special Adviser to the Prime Minister of Israel, concentrating on the Israeli-Palestinian peace process. Yossi Alpher served in the Israel Defense Forces as an Intelligence officer, followed by 12 years service in the Mossad.



Location:
Plenary Hall

KEYNOTE SPEAKER**AMBASSADOR CELSO AMORIM**

Former Minister of External Relations, Brazil

Former Minister of External Relations Celso Amorim will deliver a keynote address in the plenary session “Power Shifts and International Order” on 1 June.

Celso Amorim served as Minister of External Relations for Brazil in President Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva’s administrations from 2003 to 2010 and President Itamar Franco’s administration from 1993 to 1994, making him the longest serving foreign minister of Brazil.

Among his several ambassadorial posts, he served as the Permanent Representative of Brazil to the United Nations and other international organizations. He was also the Brazilian ambassador to the United Kingdom from 2001 to 2002. (Picture: © by Edelberto Neto)



Location:
Plenary Hall

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

AJIT DOVAL

Former Director of the Indian Intelligence Bureau

Ajit Doval will deliver a keynote address in the plenary session “Power Shifts and International Order” on 1 June.

Ajit Doval is a former Director of the Indian Intelligence Bureau. A veteran with 33 years’ experience in the intelligence profession, he has served in the United Kingdom and Pakistan. An acknowledged expert on counterinsurgency, he serves as an advisor to various Indian policymakers and government agencies. He is an alumnus of the National Defence College in New Delhi and is presently the Director of the Vivekananda International Foundation, a leading security and foreign affairs think tank in New Delhi.

Location:
Plenary Hall

FIRST PLANERY SESSION

**POWER SHIFTS AND REGIONAL ORDER:
REVOLUTIONS IN NORTH AFRICA AND THE ARABIAN
PENINSULA**

Recent upheavals in the Arab world have challenged a number of long-established views on this particular region. Traditionally, it has been regarded by outsiders as being immune to meaningful political change and good governance, condemned to sluggish growth, and entrapped in traditional and religious beliefs, as well as being prone to conflict and violence. However, in early 2011, Arab societies unexpectedly began proving all these assertions wrong. The overthrow of long-serving dictatorial regimes in Tunisia and Egypt through popular uprisings has inspired copy-cat developments in most Arab republics and some of the monarchies. While still an ongoing process, the results of these changes promise to have profound effects on both the regional and global level. Will Egypt regain its natural role as the prominent regional leader? How would a change of regime in Syria affect the regional picture? Will the move towards more pluralistic political systems strengthen or weaken US influence? How will emerging regional reconfigurations change the balance of power in the MENA region and what will it mean for the Arab-Israeli conflict?

Chair:

FRED TANNER, Director, Geneva Centre for Security Policy (GCSP)

Speakers:

JOHN W LIMBERT, Distinguished Professor of International Affairs, US Naval Academy

VOLKER PERTHES, Director, German Institute for International and Security Affairs (SWP)

YOSSI ALPHER, Co-Editor of the bitterlemons Family of internet publications and Former Director, Jaffee Center for Strategic Studies, Tel Aviv University

Location:

Plenary Room

TOPIC SESSION

**NUCLEAR WEAPONS: BETWEEN MANAGEMENT AND
ABOLITION**

Hosted by: Center for Security Studies (CSS)

Since the dawn of the atomic age more than six decades ago, a world free of nuclear weapons has been the constant dream of thinkers haunted by these weapons' ability to unleash Armageddon. Conversely, nuclear disarmament has become a nightmare for strategists concerned with the potential return of large-scale conventional warfare to the superpowers' arena. Sidelined throughout the unchallenged unipolarity of the 1990s, this topic has slowly resurfaced on the wings of additional proliferators challenging established regional orders and of rising powers questioning the global status quo. In his memorable speech in Prague in April 2009, US President Barack Obama outlined a bold vision of nuclear disarmament. So far, his administration has managed to achieve small incremental steps on what appears to be a long and thorny road. This panel of both experienced policy makers and critical voices from academia will attempt to shed some light on the benefits and concerns related to potential measures towards the disarmament goal.

Chair:

ANDREAS WENGER, Director, Center for Security Studies (CSS)

Speakers:

JOSEPH CIRINCIONE, President, Ploughshares Fund

BRUNO TERTRAIS, Senior Research Fellow, Fondation pour la recherche stratégique

JOHN MUELLER, Woody Hayes Chair of National Security Studies, Mershon Center, and Professor of Political Science, Ohio State University

Location:

Yellow Room

TOPIC SESSION

MIGRATION AND SECURITY

Hosted by: Geneva Centre for Security Policy (GCSP)

Migration and security intersect in at least three ways. First, in certain circumstances migration can pose a threat to national security, for example when irregular migration challenges the exercise of state sovereignty. Second, the experience of migration can also undermine the human security of those involved, both during their journeys (if they move with smugglers or traffickers), and after arrival when some migrants may face abuse and exploitation. Third, the growing “securitization” of global movement itself, for example through stricter border controls and enforcement, can impact, those seeking asylum. This panel considers these intersections between migration and security from a variety of standpoints. It will make particular reference to the security implications of recent movements within and from the Middle East and North Africa.

Chair:

FRED TANNER, Director, Geneva Centre for Security Policy (GCSP)

Speakers:

MARKUS LEITNER, Deputy Head, Political Division IV - Human Security, Swiss Federal Department of Foreign Affairs

ERIKA FELLER, Assistant High Commissioner for Protection, UNHCR

KHALID KOSER, Academic Dean and Head of the New Issues in Security Programme, Geneva Centre for Security Policy (GCSP)

WALTER FEICHTINGER, Director, Institute for Peace Support and Conflict Management, Austrian National Defence Academy

Location:

Green Room

TOPIC SESSION

PUBLIC-PRIVATE COOPERATION: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES IN SECURITY AND DEVELOPMENT

Hosted by: Geneva Centre for the Democratic Control of Armed Forces (DCAF)

When faced with both traditional and non-traditional security challenges, states, when acting alone, are poorly equipped. Ad hoc security governance networks have increasingly been the chosen response. Such networks involve cooperation between governments, the private sector, non-governmental and international organizations and enable actors to take advantage of geographical, technological and knowledge resources they would be unable to muster alone. However, there are many unanswered questions about the oversight and accountability of new governance networks, as well as ways in which, on the positive side, they can better contribute to improved security and development. This topic looks at both the challenges and opportunities offered by public-private cooperation in realizing security and development goals.

Chair:

THOMAS BIERSTEKER, Curt Gasteyger Chair in International Security and Conflict Studies, Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies

Speakers:

MARTIN DAHINDEN, Director-General, Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation

ANNE-MARIE BUZATU, Coordinator, Privatisation of Security Programme, Geneva Centre for the Democratic Control of the Armed Forces (DCAF)

ROLF TANNER, Director, Media Relations, Swiss Re

Location:

Blue Room

PANEL SESSION

TERRORISM AND COUNTER-TERRORISM

Track: 9/11 Plus Ten

Hosted by: Geneva Centre for Security Policy (GCSP)

This panel will assess current discernable trends in terrorism and counter-terrorism nearly a decade after the 11 September 2001 attacks that profoundly impacted the fabric of international affairs. Over the following years, domestic and international security policies were dramatically overhauled to adapt to a transnational terrorist threat of a new type. Widely, the War on Terror and the variegated counter-terrorist measures adopted by most states confirm the rapid transformation of the global security context. What patterns can we identify today and what lessons can we draw from such evolutions in terrorism and counter-terrorism?

Chair:

STEVEN CLEMONS, Founder and Senior Fellow, American Strategy Program, New America Foundation

Speakers:

PAUL PILLAR, Former Deputy Director, DCI Counterterrorist Center, Central Intelligence Agency

JEAN-LOUIS BRUGUIÈRE, Former High Representative European Union in the US for the fight against financing of terrorism as part of the "Terrorism Finance Tracking Programme / SWIFT"

PETER NEUMANN, Director, International Center for the Study of Radicalization and Political Violence (ICSR), King's College

Location:

Yellow Room

PANEL SESSION

BEYOND THE PROCESS: THE ARAB-ISRAELI IMPASSE

Track: Regional Security: Local Dynamics - Global Impact I

Hosted by: Center for Security Studies (CSS)

Most observers agree that efforts by the respective partners and external mediators to achieve a final settlement to the Palestinian-Israeli conflict (and thus to the wider regional conflict between Israel and most Middle Eastern states) based on a two-state solution have been futile. At present, the conflict looks more intractable than ever. Starting from this premise, the panel will try to outline possible alternatives to the failed previous efforts since the launch of the peace process in 1993. The panel will discuss alternatives to the idea of a final settlement based on two separate states, the chances of "managing" the conflict without a final settlement, as well as the feasibility of fundamental changes in the strategies of external mediators. It will also assess the potential repercussions of basic changes in geopolitical configurations in the wider region.

Chair:

ROLAND POPP, Senior Researcher, Center for Security Studies (CSS)

Speakers:

RICHARD YOUNGS, Director General, Fundación para las Relaciones Internacionales y el Diálogo Exterior (FRIDE)

DANIEL LEVY, Senior Research Fellow, American Strategy Program and Co-Director, Middle East Task Force, New America Foundation

CHARLES W FREEMAN, JR, Former US Assistant Secretary of Defense and Former US Ambassador to Saudi Arabia

Location:

Orange Room

PANEL SESSION**ETHNICITY, MIGRATION AND SECURITY CONCERNS IN CENTRAL ASIA**

Track: Regional Security: Local Dynamics - Global Impact II
Hosted by: Centre on Conflict, Development and Peacebuilding (CCDP) and the Programme for the Study of Global Migration (PSGM), The Graduate Institute, Geneva

Over the past two decades, Central Asia has witnessed dramatic social, economic and political changes. The fall of the Soviet Union, the presence of important fossil resources, the rise of ethnic claims and militant Islam, conflicts over international borders and water use have brought new hopes and new tensions. State-building and transition to democracy have been characterized by instability. This panel will focus on the security challenges related to the flow of people, refugees as well as labor migrants. Did the independence of former Soviet republics create obstacles in a region that was formerly integrated as a larger political entity and economic market? Did the drawing of new international borders enhance ethnic tensions and indirectly provoke forced displacements? Can mobility be considered in certain cases as a coping strategy to manage insecurity and spread risk? Conversely, when can displacement foster further social stress and conflict?

Chair:

ALESSANDRO MONSUTTI, Research Director, Transnational Studies/Development Studies, Programme for the Study of Global Migration (PSGM), The Graduate Institute, Geneva

Speakers:

OLIVER JÜTERSONKE, Head of Research, Centre on Conflict, Development and Peacebuilding (CCDP), The Graduate Institute, Geneva

BAYRAM BALCI, Researcher, Centre d'Etudes et de Recherches Internationales, Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique

MELTEM SANCAK, Research Associate, Department of Cultural and Social Anthropology, University of Zurich

PETER FINKE, Head, Department of Cultural and Social Anthropology, University of Zurich

Location:

Red Room

PANEL SESSION**CYBER WAR: ISSUES, TRENDS, HYPES AND THREATS**

Track: Present and Future of Conflict
Hosted by: Center for Security Studies (CSS)

Different forms of conflicts in cyberspace are a reality: Elements of any political, economic and military conflict now take place in and around the Internet. Not surprisingly, therefore, cyber war has become a buzzword in the media and in the political debate. Many countries consider cyber attacks by non-state or state actors as one if not the major future security threat. This panel will look at the present and future threat of cyber war from various perspectives, combining both theoretical-conceptual, as well as empirical-practical viewpoints. It will distinguish between different forms of cyber conflict and their consequences for state, private sector and society in order to lay the ground for a level-headed threat assessment. Panelists will also discuss the pros and cons of different counter-measures.

Chair:

MYRIAM DUNN CAVELTY, Senior Researcher, Center for Security Studies (CSS)

Speakers:

CHRIS C DEMCHAK, Associate Professor, Strategic Research Department, US Naval War College

SANDRO GAYCKEN, Research Fellow, Research Group Secure Identity, Institute of Computer Science, Free University of Berlin

HELI TIIRMA-KLAAR, Senior Advisor to the Undersecretary of Defense, Ministry of Defense, Estonia

Location:

Green Room

PANEL SESSION

SECURITY POLICY IN A WORLD WITHOUT NUCLEAR WEAPONS

Track: Human Security

Hosted by: Geneva Centre for Security Policy (GCSP) in cooperation with the Swiss Permanent Mission to the United Nations Office at Geneva

Although the prospect of the complete elimination of nuclear weapons may seem remote to some, prospective analysis of the implications of nuclear disarmament on the security of both nuclear-weapon- and non-nuclear-weapon-states is not premature. Indeed, it will help to determine the conditions under which such a process could be facilitated. This analysis should include scenarios related to existing and potential conflicts, threat perceptions, current and future military build-ups and technology, as well as responses to non-military risks.

Chair:

JÜRIG LAUBER, Ambassador, Representative of Switzerland to the Conference on Disarmament

Speakers:

ALYSON BAILES, Visiting Professor, University of Iceland

W PAL SIDHU, Visiting Fellow, Geneva Centre for Security Policy (GCSP)

Location:

Blue Room

PANEL SESSION

ARMED VIOLENCE

Track: State Building / State Failure

Hosted by: Swiss Federal Department of Foreign Affairs (FDFA)

The international community has become increasingly aware that, apart from being a major cause of human suffering, armed violence severely impacts the achievements of and prospects for development. Both in conflict and non-conflict settings, it impedes developmental opportunities and heavily challenges the state in its responsibility to guarantee security and other basic public services, sometimes pushing state institutions to the brink of collapse. Armed violence is a major obstacle to the achievements of the Millennium Development Goals.

As armed violence is both cause and consequences of underdevelopment, the issue needs to be addressed holistically and in the long term. The approach of the international community needs to be coordinated and anchored in an evidence-based approach. Monitoring and evaluation of programs need to be put together and communicated to allow donors and recipient countries to devise more effective programs to address this complex issue. Programming should not only take into account the issue of weapons availability, but also focus on a broad set of circumstantial and structural risk factors, particularly with regard to basic education and employment opportunities. The approach that the signatories of the Geneva Declaration have been advocating is now gaining momentum in the United Nations and is increasingly being put into practice in programming efforts on the ground. Nevertheless, many questions remain unanswered and much needs to be done to change the lives of communities and individuals who suffer from armed violence and its inhibitive effects on sustainable development. This panel will discuss some core issues related to armed violence in view of the Second Ministerial Review Conference taking place 31 October - 1 November 2011 in Geneva.

Chair:

DAVID ATWOOD, Director and Representative for Disarmament and Peace, Quaker United Nations Office (QUONO)

Speakers:

LUIGI DE MARTINO, Geneva Declaration Project Coordinator, Small Arms Survey
ERWIN VAN VEEN, OECD Development Assistance Committee (DAC)
ZACK TAYLOR, Bureau for Crisis Prevention and Recovery, UNDP
ELISABETH GILGEN, Researcher, Small Arms Survey

Location:

Purple Room

PANEL SESSION

AL-QAEDA: MOVING ON OR MARCHING ON?

Track: 9/11 Plus Ten

Hosted by: Geneva Centre for Security Policy (GCSP)

This panel will examine and assess the state of Al-Qaeda close to ten years after the September 2001 attacks. Less active than its immediate post-9/11 heyday, Al-Qaeda has remained nonetheless a threat of the first order to the security of a large number of countries, notably through the adoption of a regionalization strategy and decentralized structure. Is Al-Qaeda – and its various franchises (in the Gulf, North Africa and Afghanistan) or inspired groups – declining or has it gathered newfound strength? What strategic conclusions can we draw from its transformation and what are the policy implications of such an evolution?

Chair:

MOHAMMAD-MAHMOUD OULD MOHAMEDOU, Associate Fellow, Geneva Center for Security Policy (GCSP) and Visiting Professor, The Graduate Institute, Geneva

Speakers:

PAUL ROGERS, Professor of Peace Studies, University of Bradford

FRANÇOIS BURGAT, Director, French Institute of the Near East

MAX ABRAHMS, Fellow, The Dickey Center for International Understanding, Dartmouth College

Location:

Yellow Room

PANEL SESSION

NUCLEAR WEAPONS AND THE MIDDLE EAST

Track: Regional Security: Local Dynamics - Global Impact I

Hosted by: German Institute for International and Security Affairs (SWP) in cooperation with Friedrich-Ebert-Foundation

In its Final Document, the 2010 Review Conference of the States Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT) endorsed that in 2012, a conference shall be convened – to be attended by all states of the Middle East – on the establishment of a zone free of nuclear weapons and all other weapons of mass destruction in the Middle East. While agreement on such an endeavor has been decisive for the adoption of a final document of the NPT Review Conference, it remains unclear which states would be invited, which topics would be discussed, and what the outcome of such a conference could be. This panel will look at the various issues concerned, including the Iranian nuclear program, uncertainties about Syria's nuclear intentions, Israel's nuclear status, as well as Syria, Egypt and Israel's non-accession to the Chemical Weapons Convention. Solutions to these issues will be essential for the preservation of the non-proliferation regime.

Chair:

OLIVER THRÄNERT, Senior Fellow, German Institute for International and Security Affairs (SWP)

Speakers:

ARIEL LEVITE, Nonresident Senior Associate, Nuclear Policy Program, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace

NABIL FAHMY, Dean, School of Global Affairs and Public Policy (GAPP), The American University in Cairo

MICHAEL EISENSTADT, Senior Fellow and Director, Military and Security Studies Program, The Washington Institute for Near East Policy

Location:

Orange Room

PANEL SESSION

SOUTH CAUCASUS 2020: FUTURE SCENARIOS, ALTERNATIVE REALITIES

Track: Regional Security: Local Dynamics - Global Impact II
Hosted by: Geneva Centre for Security Policy (GCSP)

This panel focuses on possible alternative futures in the South Caucasus. It will be introduced by the Chair - Dr Pal Dunay – who will briefly identify a common set of current threats and challenges, including inter alia, the status of ‘frozen conflicts’, the human security agenda, inter-state relations in the region, and the interests and agendas of external powers. Dr Uwe Halbach, an expert policy analyst and academic, will elaborate on a possible future characterized more by instability and the increase of strategic sources of insecurity. How might this scenario evolve? Ambassador Heidi Tagliavini, a distinguished diplomat, will then address a future perspective that has embraced opportunities that enable the potential for greater stability and the reduction of strategic sources of insecurity. This format will identify tipping points and critical thresholds to better stimulate discussion and inform external policies and strategies towards this region.

Chair:

PÁL DUNAY, Director of the International Training Course in Security Policy (ITC), Geneva Centre for Security Policy (GCSP)

Speakers:

HEIDI TAGLIAVINI, Ambassador and Diplomat in-Residence, Geneva Centre for Security Policy (GCSP) and Former Special Representative of the UN Secretary General to Georgia

UWE HALBACH, Researcher, Russian Federation/CIS Division, German Institute for International and Security Affairs (SWP)

Location:

Red Room

PANEL SESSION

CYBER SECURITY: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Track: Present and Future of Conflict
Hosted by: Geneva Centre for the Democratic Control of Armed Forces (DCAF)

By enabling the open and transparent sharing of information among civil society actors, the media, governments and citizens, the Internet is an increasingly important tool for building and safeguarding democratic norms and for upholding and promoting human rights. At the same time, cyber security challenges threaten governments as well as legitimate Internet users and businesses.

In response to cyber security challenges, states, private institutions and international organizations are rushing to formulate an appropriate response. This panel will explore the challenges and opportunities of cyber security at the international, national and private level.

Chair:

THEODOR H WINKLER, Director, Geneva Centre for the Democratic Control of the Armed Forces (DCAF)

Speakers:

BARBARA WEEKES, Member of Policy Advisory Board, ICT4Peace Foundation and Director Strategy and Content, Geneva Security Forum

TOBIAS BOLLIGER, Head, Cybercrime Coordination Unit (CYCO), Swiss Federal Office of Police

ANDREA DE CANDIDO, Assistant Capability Manager (Knowledge), European Defence Agency

Location:

Green Room

PANEL SESSION

INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW: CHALLENGES OF CATEGORIZATION

Track: Human Security

Hosted by: Geneva Centre for Security Policy (GCSP) in cooperation with the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) and the International Institute of Humanitarian Law (IIHL)

The complexity of modern warfare and armed conflict is presenting challenges for the categorization of conflict, in particular in relation to the distinction between International Armed Conflict (IAC) and Non-International Armed Conflict (NIAC). Hybrid forms of warfare involving irregular forces and including the actions of organized criminal groups is especially challenging. This panel will deal with topical issues in this field.

Chair:

STEVEN HAINES, Head, Security and Law Programme, Geneva Centre for Security Policy (GCSP)

Speakers:

JELENA PEJIC, Legal Advisor, International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC)

CHARLES GARRAWAY CBE, Associate Fellow, International Security Program, Chatham House

NOAM LUBELL, Irish Centre for Human Rights, School of Law, National University of Ireland

Location:

Blue Room

PANEL SESSION

NEW ISSUES IN PEACE MEDIATION

Track: State Building / State Failure

Hosted by: Centre on Conflict, Development and Peacebuilding (CCDP), The Graduate Institute, Geneva

This panel proposes to take a fresh look at three specific topics of peacemaking. The panel evaluates the challenges experienced by mediators when engaging armed groups to advance humanitarian objectives. It also presents the main findings of a recent study by Conciliation Resources on peacebuilding and cross-border armed conflicts, as well as an exploratory analysis of the challenges of conflict economies for peace mediation and the ethical and practical implications of deal-making for a forward-looking settlement.

Chair:

OLIVER JÜTERSONKE, Head of Research, Centre on Conflict, Development and Peacebuilding (CCDP), The Graduate Institute, Geneva

Speakers:

OLIVIER BANGERTER, Unit for Relations with Arms Carriers, International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC)

ELIZABETH DREW, Research and Publications Officer, Conciliation Resources

ACHIM WENNMANN, Researcher, Centre on Conflict, Development and Peacebuilding (CCDP), The Graduate Institute, Geneva

Location:

Purple Room

PANEL SESSION

**RADICALIZATION AND DERADICALIZATION:
HOW TERRORISM BEGINS AND ENDS**

Track: 9/11 Plus Ten

Hosted by: Center for Security Studies (CSS)

The threat posed by Islamist terrorism is an evolving one. And yet radicalization – the internalization of a particular set of beliefs, ideologies and worldviews that condone, legitimize and, in some cases, facilitate violent behavior – is a common and recurring theme. This panel, Radicalization and Deradicalization: How Terrorism Begins and Ends, identifies regional and global trends in radicalization and deradicalization. While many agree on the important role radicalization has played in persuading individuals to participate in terrorism, there is continued disagreement concerning the pathways and processes of radicalization, and over approaches needed to impede and reverse radicalization when and where it occurs. Three expert panelists will offer their insights on emerging trends of radicalization and the evolving threat of homegrown and international terrorism, with a focus on European, North American and global trends.

Chair:

ALEX WILNER, Senior Researcher, Center for Security Studies (CSS)

Speakers:

BRIAN M JENKINS, Senior Advisor, RAND Corporation

EDWIN BAKKER, Research Fellow, International Centre for Counterterrorism (ICCT)

LORENZO VIDINO, TAPIR Post-Doctoral Fellow, Center for Security Studies (CSS)

Location:

Yellow Room

PANEL SESSION

**MODERN DAY PIRACY: CHARACTERISTICS, CAUSES
AND RESPONSES**

Track: Regional Security: Local Dynamics - Global Impact I

Hosted by: Center for Security Studies (CSS)

Piracy is a challenge that is likely to increase in the future. Despite increased patrolling, pirates took a record 1,181-crew hostages in 2010. The annual cost of piracy is estimated between 1 and 12 billion USD. Since 2008, the EU military Operation Atalanta has helped to decrease incidents, but it is impossible to patrol all of the 2.5 million square miles where pirate activities have taken place. Another concern is if sensitive cargo were to fall into the wrong hands. From a Somali perspective, piracy is seen as a “legitimate” alternative income to the end of the fishing economy.

Questions discussed:

- Characteristics and challenges: What is the present situation and what are likely trends regarding piracy in the future?
- Adequate responses: Are the present response mechanisms sufficient (also in light of possible future developments?) or do they need to be adapted? Is Atalanta the right or only response?

Chair:

SIMON MASON, Senior Researcher, Center for Security Studies (CSS)

Speakers:

RETO DÜRLER, Head, Swiss Maritime Navigation Office (SMNO), Swiss Federal Department of Foreign Affairs

PETER WOODTLI, Managing Director, Enzian Ship Management AG

Location:

Orange Room

PANEL SESSION

ENERGY SECURITY IN A \$100/B WORLD

Track: Regional Security: Local Dynamics - Global Impact II
Hosted by: Center for Security Studies (CSS)

This panel aims to address the recent extreme volatility in energy markets. Finding a 'credible' benchmark price, both in oil and gas markets, is critical. Asian consumers continue to put security of supply over price, a dynamic that some European markets still retain, but one that others are jettisoning. Finding consensus to meet supply, let alone reduce emissions remains as tough as ever.

Chair:

MATTHEW HULBERT, Senior Researcher, Center for Security Studies (CSS)

Speakers:

DIETER HELM CBE, Professor, Fellow, New College, Oxford University

PAUL STEVENS, Senior Research Fellow, Energy, Environment and Development Programme, Chatham House; Consulting Professor, Stanford University; Emeritus Professor of Petroleum Policy and Economics, University of Dundee

ANDREW BARTLETT, Head of Oil and Gas Project Finance, Standard Chartered Bank

Location:

Red Room

PANEL SESSION

WEAPONS IN DEFENSE OF THE STATE: WHEN MORE IS LESS

Track: Present and Future of Conflict
Hosted by: Small Arms Survey

A common misperception exists that more weapons equal greater security. The Small Arms Survey's field research provides ample evidence that this is often not the case when small arms, light weapons and their ammunition are involved. This panel highlights problems associated with stockpile management, transfers of surplus ammunition and weapons bought and brought for other actors (private security companies and peacekeeping forces) to promote law and order.

Chair:

ERIC BERMAN, Managing Director, Small Arms Survey

Speakers:

PIERRE GOBINET, Researcher, Small Arms Survey

NICOLAS FLORQUIN, Senior Researcher, Small Arms Survey

PETER BATCHELOR, Deputy Country Director, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Iraq

Location:

Green Room

PANEL SESSION

DIGNITY AND GLOBAL SECURITY

Track: Human Security

Hosted by: Geopolitics of Globalisation and Transnational Security Programme, Geneva Centre for Security Policy (GCSP)

In the opening sentence of the preamble of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, human dignity is recognized as an inalienable right constituting the “foundation of freedom, justice and peace in the world.” Although the era we live in possesses the tools and resources to promote and protect dignity for all, human suffering and affronts to dignity are making the headlines everyday. Globalization has indeed created new challenges to the preservation of human dignity, while conspicuous infringement of human dignity worldwide is nurturing new threats to global security. This panel will consider the intrinsic relations between dignity and global security, all concepts defined by Dr Nayef Al-Rodhan in *Sustainable History and Dignity of Man*. It will look more specifically to three critical dimensions of global security:

1. National security, which refers to the more traditional economic, societal (state population), political and military dimensions of national security;
2. Transnational security, which involves security against transnational threats that refer to any type of illegal cross-border movements;
3. Transcultural security, which refers to the integrity of large collective identities.

Chair:

NAYEF AL-RODHAN, Director, Geopolitics of Globalization and Transnational Security Programme, Geneva Centre for Security Policy (GCSP); Senior Associate Member, St Antony's College, Oxford University

Speakers:

JOSEPH PRABHU, Professor of Philosophy, California State University of Los Angeles (CSLA)

GREGORY FRIED, Chair, Philosophy Department, Suffolk University

EVELIN GERDA LINDNER, Founding President, Human Dignity and Humiliation Studies

Location:

Blue Room

PANEL SESSION

THE CHALLENGES OF IMPACT EVALUATIONS IN SECURITY-RELATED INTERVENTIONS

Track: State Building / State Failure

Hosted by: Centre on Conflict, Development and Peacebuilding (CCDP), The Graduate Institute, Geneva

This panel seeks to debate the methodological challenges and tradeoffs that organizations and evaluators face in attempting to monitor and evaluate programming in the fields of security and peacebuilding. Drawing on numerous evaluation and assessment mandates recently conducted by the CCDP, this panel will critically discuss a variety of quantitative and qualitative approaches applied. What types of monitoring and evaluation activities are necessary to improve organizational performance, and can ‘mixed method’ designs further the utility of such activities on both country and program levels? Moreover, what must be taken into consideration to ensure an effective follow-up process?

Chair:

OLIVER JÜTERSONKE, Head of Research, Centre on Conflict, Development and Peacebuilding (CCDP), The Graduate Institute, Geneva

Speakers:

JEAN-LOUIS ARCAND, Professor, Department of International Economics and Department of Development Studies, The Graduate Institute, Geneva

SUSANNA CAMPBELL, Research Fellow, Centre on Conflict, Development and Peacebuilding (CCDP), The Graduate Institute, Geneva

MONCEF KARTAS, Researcher, Centre on Conflict, Development and Peacebuilding (CCDP), The Graduate Institute, Geneva

THANIA PAFFENHOLZ, Researcher, Centre on Conflict, Development and Peacebuilding (CCDP), The Graduate Institute, Geneva

Location:

Purple Room

PANEL SESSION

THE FUTURE OF INTERNATIONAL COUNTER-TERRORISM: 9/11 PLUS 20

Track: 9/11 Plus Ten

Hosted by: Center for Security Studies (CSS)

This panel will examine current international counter-terrorism efforts and debate the strategies and mechanisms needed for future success. In the last decade, as the nature of the terrorist threat has evolved, so too have the strategies employed to counter terrorist activity at the domestic, regional and international levels. Much emphasis has been placed on the importance of cooperation, coordination and intelligence-sharing between domestic agencies and, more broadly, states, but limits remain. Looking ahead, as terrorist groups continue to evolve, how should strategies adapt? What approaches are required? This panel will peer into the next decade, assess the changing terrain, and debate measures needed to mitigate the threat of future terrorist activity.

Chair:

JENNIFER GIROUX, Senior Researcher, Center for Security Studies (CSS)

Speakers:

ALISTAIR MILLAR, Director, Center on Global Counterterrorism Cooperation

JAMES J F FOREST, Associate Professor, Department of Criminal Justice, University of Massachusetts Lowell

KENNETH KNIGHT, Analytical Director, CENTRA Technology

Location:

Yellow Room

PANEL SESSION

THE OTHER SIDES OF AFGHANISTAN: THE SIGNIFICANCE OF AFGHANISTAN'S NEIGHBORHOOD

Track: Regional Security: Local Dynamics - Global Impact I

Hosted by: Center for Security Studies (CSS)

As NATO prepares to withdraw from Afghanistan in the forthcoming years, the role of states in close proximity to Afghanistan in managing Afghan security will increase significantly. The neighboring states have numerous security concerns related to Afghanistan, including interconnections between terrorist, extremist and opposition groups in Afghanistan and these countries and the flow of illegal narcotics originating from Afghanistan. In light of these challenges to their domestic security, these regimes are very interested in enhancing stability in Afghanistan. This panel will examine how the Central Asian republics, China, India, Pakistan and Russia view the current situation in Afghanistan, and how it impacts upon them, as well as what strategy for ensuring security they are pursuing. It will also consider the potentiality of a coordinated regional approach to the state-building process in Afghanistan, and whether there is scope for significant cooperation with the West in this respect.

Chairs:

STEPHEN ARIS, Senior Researcher, Center for Security Studies (CSS)

AGLAYA SNETKOV, Senior Researcher, Center for Security Studies (CSS)

Speakers:

ANATOL LIEVEN, Professor, Department of War Studies, King's College

VITALY NAUMKIN, Director, Institute of Oriental Studies, Russian Academy of Sciences

NIKLAS SWANSTRÖM, Director, Institute for Security and Development Policy (ISDP)

Location:

Orange Room

PANEL SESSION

LINKING REGIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY FRAMEWORKS TO NATIONAL POLICIES: LESSONS FROM WEST AFRICA

Track: Regional Security: Local Dynamics - Global Impact II
Hosted by: Geneva Centre for the Democratic Control of Armed Forces (DCAF)

The linkage between peace and security frameworks and national security policies in West Africa will be examined in the light of the governance of the security sector. Professor N'Diaye will expand on the need of having a shared vision of security in West Africa and of implementing required reforms in the security sector. He will also discuss ECOWAS' efforts to reach its objective of moving from a community of states to a community of citizens. The West African regional organization has pursued this objective by adopting norms and values that promote the democratic governance of the security sector as part of the consolidation of democratization in its Member States. Colonel Nombre will describe how Burkina Faso is inculcating these norms –toward improving the rule of law, civil-military relations and respect for human rights – on the members of its security services. He will then consider how this approach constitutes a confidence-building measure and how it connects to the national security policy and the international obligations of Burkina Faso.

Chair:

JEAN-JACQUES GACOND, Deputy Head of Operations for Africa and the Middle East, Geneva Centre for the Democratic Control of the Armed Forces (DCAF)

Speakers:

BOUBACAR N'DIAYE, Associate Professor of Black Studies and Political Science, Wooster College

HONORÉ NOMBRE, Colonel and Director of International Cooperation, Ministry of Defense, Burkina Faso

Location:

Red Room

PANEL SESSION

TRENDS IN INTELLIGENCE

Track: Present and Future of Conflict
Hosted by: Center for Security Studies (CSS)

This panel will discuss changes in intelligence processes under the theme “The Three Dimensions of Intelligence in the 21st Century: Strategic, Tactical and Non-State.” Each of the speakers will discuss a particular type of intelligence activity, product and organization – the aim being to give ISF attendees an all around view of how intelligence work is being conducted and is likely to change in coming years. Dr Michael Goodman, the official historian of the UK Joint Intelligence Committee, will speak on strategic intelligence and post-Cold War threats. Mr Brian M Jenkins, Senior Advisor at the RAND Corporation, will speak on police intelligence and counter-terrorism. Dr John Giduck will speak on non-state intelligence, focusing specifically on terrorist groups. Between them, these distinguished experts will provide unique insight and additional value- to contemporary scholarly and practical debates.

Chair:

PREM MAHADEVAN, Senior Researcher, Center for Security Studies (CSS)

Speakers:

MICHAEL GOODMAN, Senior Lecturer, Department of War Studies, King's College

BRIAN M JENKINS , Senior Advisor, RAND Corporation

JOHN GIDUCK, President, Archangel Group, Ltd.

Location:

Green Room

PANEL SESSION

THE IMPACT OF EXPLOSIVE WEAPONS ON CIVILIANS

Track: Human Security

Hosted by: Geneva International Centre for Humanitarian Demining (GICHD) in cooperation with the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research (UNIDIR)

Explosive weapons have considerable humanitarian impact. Civilians within the vicinity of an explosion are likely to be killed or injured by the blast and fragmentation effects. They may be harmed by the collapse of buildings or suffer as the result of damage to infrastructure vital to the civilian population's well being. The use of explosive weapons also creates unexploded ordnance that persists as a threat to civilians until it is removed. In the latest Report of the UN Secretary General on the Protection of Civilians in Armed Conflict, the SG reiterated his growing concern at the humanitarian impacts of explosive weapons. He urged States and relevant organizations to deepen their understanding of these impacts through research and cooperation. The panelists will discuss the humanitarian impact of the use of explosive weapons and means to mitigate this impact, including through policies and practices aimed at the prevention of civilian harm.

Chair:

BARBARA HAERING, President of the Council of Foundation, Geneva International Centre for Humanitarian Demining (GICHD)

Speakers:

ERIK TOLLEFSEN, Project Manager EOD, Stockpile Destruction and Technology, Geneva International Centre for Humanitarian Demining (GICHD)

JOHN BORRIE, Senior Researcher and Project Manager, United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research (UNIDIR)

RICHARD MOYES, Policy Coordinator, International Network on Explosive Weapons; Former Director of Policy and Research, Action on Armed Violence

NORAH NILAND, Independent Consultant

Location:

Blue Room

PANEL SESSION

BUILDING AN INTERNATIONAL CODE OF CONDUCT FOR PRIVATE SECURITY PROVIDERS

Track: State Building / State Failure

Hosted by: Geneva Centre for the Democratic Control of Armed Forces (DCAF)

The International Code of Conduct for Private Security Service Providers (ICoC) is a multi-stakeholder effort that aims to address some of the gaps in effective oversight and regulation of the private security sector. After a successful launch of the ICoC on 9 November 2010 with 58 companies signing, a multi-stakeholder Steering Committee is now working to build an effective oversight and accountability institution for the ICoC. Participants will discuss the opportunities and challenges of the ICoC generally, and the oversight institution in particular, from the particular perspectives of industry, civil society and government.

Chair:

ANNE-MARIE BUZATU, Coordinator, Privatisation of Security Programme, Geneva Centre for the Democratic Control of the Armed Forces (DCAF)

Speakers:

MICHAEL CLARKE, Director of Public Affairs, G4S

DEVON CHAFFEE, Advocacy Counsel, Law and Security Program, Human Rights First

NILS ROSEMANN, Research Fellow, Political Affairs Division IV, Swiss Federal Department of Foreign Affairs

Location:

Purple Room

TOPIC SESSION

UN TARGETED SANCTIONS AND WMD PROLIFERATION

Hosted by: Centre on Conflict, Development and Peacebuilding (CCDP), The Graduate Institute, Geneva

Targeted sanctions are qualitatively different from comprehensive sanctions. They are intended to have less of a humanitarian impact because they typically target leaders, decision-makers, their principal supporters or individuals or entities directly involved in proscribed activities, rather than an entire population of a country. The UN Security Council has used targeted sanctions for a variety of different purposes over the past twenty years – to counter terrorism, enforce peace agreements, promote democracy and human rights, pursue investigations, and prevent the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction. This panel will explore the impacts and effectiveness of different episodes of targeted sanctions to prevent the proliferation of nuclear weapons, with a focus on Iran and the DPRK. This is part of a larger, multi-year, multi-institutional and multi-national research project based at the Centre on Conflict, Development and Peacebuilding at the Graduate Institute, Geneva, examining the impacts and effectiveness of UN targeted sanctions measures.

Chairs:

THOMAS BIERSTEKER, Curt Gasteyger Chair in International Security and Conflict Studies, The Graduate Institute, Geneva

SUE ECKERT, Senior Fellow, The Watson Institute for International Studies, Brown University

Speakers:

GEORGE LOPEZ, Rev Theodore M Hesburgh, CSC, Chair in Peace Studies, Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, University of Notre Dame

KIMBERLY ELLIOTT, Senior Fellow, Center for Global Development

Location:

Yellow Room

TOPIC SESSION

WESTERN SECURITY: LESSONS, DYNAMICS AND PROSPECTS

Hosted by: Center for Security Studies (CSS)

The inconclusive wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, NATO's difficulties in Libya, and the growing pressure on national defense budgets all raise questions as to the future of Western security. How deep is the crisis in Western crisis management? What future is there for NATO? Is European defense set for pooling or paralysis? What is Europe's place in US security policy? And is there still such a thing as "Western security"?

Chair:

DANIEL MÖCKLI, Senior Researcher, Center for Security Studies (CSS)

Speakers:

VOLKER PERTHES, Director, German Institute for International and Security Affairs (SWP)

FRANÇOIS HEISBOURG, Chairman, Foundation Council, Geneva Centre for Security Policy (GCSP)

JEREMY SHAPIRO, Senior Advisor to the Assistant Secretary of State for European and Eurasian Affairs, US Department of State

Location:

Green Room

TOPIC SESSION

MANAGING THE RISE OF CHINA

Hosted by: Center for Security Studies (CSS)

Since the introduction of market reforms, China has rapidly emerged as a major regional and even global power, averaging over nine percent economic growth over the past 30 years. Foreign businesses have flocked to invest in China, while Chinese exports have begun to flood world markets. China is modernizing its military, has joined numerous regional and international institutions, and is increasingly visible in international politics. This panel attempts to assess the following questions: How great is China's power, and what are the potential challenges that China faces? How do states respond to China's emergence, and will the arrival of a new superpower challenge the US politically and even lead to military conflict?

Chair:

VICTOR MAUER, Deputy Director, Center for Security Studies (CSS)

Speakers:

BATES GILL, Director, Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI)

KERRY BROWN, Head, Asia Programme, Chatham House

ALLEN R CARLSON, Associate Professor, Department of Government, Cornell University

Location:

Blue Room

PLENARY SESSION

POWER SHIFTS AND INTERNATIONAL ORDER

The financial and economic crises have not only been a defining trend in international affairs, but together have acted as catalysts for both geoeconomic and geopolitical shifts that were already underway from West to East. If the US currently spends more than six times as much as China on defense, this equation is changing as a decade of modernization of China's military is beginning to bear fruit, especially in terms of its expanding naval capabilities that allow it to gain a stronger hand in the Asia-Pacific. Other emerging markets will look to play a greater role to reflect growing economic ambitions. Europe is slowly waking up to the fact that a useful barometer for its own political clout has to be set against US-Asia relations. This plenary session discusses the implications of these developments for international security: How stable is the emerging multipolar international system? How will global governance play out in the future? Are the BRICS countries as cohesive as the acronym suggests? Will the US be able or willing to underwrite global security indefinitely? And what are the implications for American statecraft?

Chair:

ANDREAS WENGER, Director, Center for Security Studies (CSS)

Speaker:

CELSO AMORIM, Former Brazilian Minister of External Relations

AJIT DOVAL, Former Director of the Indian Intelligence Bureau

Location:

Plenary Room

SIDE EVENTS

SIDE MEETING

REVOLUTIONARY INFORMATION MANAGEMENT FOR UN POLICY MAKING: RESOLUTIONFINDER.ORG

Hosted by: Deutsche Gesellschaft für die Vereinten Nationen e.V., International Relations and Security Network (ISN) and Jungle Drum e.V.

We live in an online era, where transparency is threatened - not by lack of information, but by information overflow. It can be difficult to access the relevant clauses which are crucial for the work of policy makers, diplomats or academics. This is where ResolutionFinder.org steps in: The model database aims to provide a collection of UN agreements that are searchable by operative clause, with filters that facilitate the access to information for UN consumers, regardless of their level of expertise. ResolutionFinder.org classifies documents according to their legal value, type and issuing body, while at the same time indicating the type of information and addressee in each clause. The ResolutionFinder.org discussion will focus on the need for revolutionary information management for the UN system in general, and on the novelty brought on by ResolutionFinder.org in particular.

Please find further information on the ResolutionFinder.org website (www.ResolutionFinder.org).

Organizers:

Deutsche Gesellschaft für die Vereinten Nationen e.V. (DGVN), Berlin Germany

International Relations and Security Network (ISN), ETH Zurich

Jungle Drum e.V., Berlin Germany

Date and Time

Tuesday, 31 May 2011, 18 - 19h

Location:

Blue Room

SIDE MEETING

WOMEN IN INTERNATIONAL SECURITY (WIIS) SWITZERLAND: LAUNCH EVENT

Hosted by: Women in International Security (WIIS) Switzerland

In 2011, a national chapter of Women in International Security (WIIS) was created in Switzerland. Our mission is to promote women as leading voices in the global and national discourse on security, understood in a broad sense. We strive to increase the visibility of future leaders and security experts and facilitate their entry into established security expert networks. We do so by enabling the sharing of expertise, experience and contacts among our members. WIIS Switzerland is a non-profit association.

Event Program:

Introduction by Patricia Moser, President of WIIS Switzerland

Guest Speakers:

Amb. Heidi Tagliavini, Diplomat-in-Residence, Geneva Centre for Security Policy (GCSP): Women in Peace Processes - What you should know

Prof. Elisabeth Prügl, Deputy Director, The Graduate Institute, Geneva: Gender Politics and Global Governance

Dr. Antti Kaski, Faculty Member at GCSP, seconded from the Finnish Government: Gender Mainstreaming in the Security and Defense Policy of the European Union

Discussion

Organizers:

Women in International Security (WIIS) Switzerland

Date and Time:

Tuesday, 31 May 2011, 18:00h, followed by a reception at 19:00h

Location:

Green Room

EXHIBITION

14 - 16h
MONDAY

EXHIBITORS

CENTER FOR SECURITY STUDIES (CSS)

www.css.ethz.ch

The Center for Security Studies is an academic institute at ETH Zurich specialized in research, teaching and the provision of services in international and national security policy.

16:30 - 18h

9 - 10:30h
TUESDAY

GENEVA CENTRE FOR SECURITY POLICY (GCSP)

www.gcsp.ch

The Geneva Centre for Security Policy is an international training centre for security policy that offers courses for civil servants, diplomats and military officers from all over the world. Through research, workshops and conferences it provides an internationally recognized forum for dialogue on issues of topical interest relating to security and peace policy.

11 - 12:30h

14 - 15:30h

GENEVA CENTRE FOR THE DEMOCRATIC CONTROL OF ARMED FORCES (DCAF)

www.dcaf.ch

The Geneva Centre for the Democratic Control of Armed Forces is one of the world's leading institutions in the areas of security sector reform and security sector governance.

16 - 17:30h

9 - 10:30h
WEDNESDAY

GENEVA INTERNATIONAL CENTRE FOR HUMANITARIAN DEMINING (GICHD)

www.gichd.ch

The Geneva International Centre for Humanitarian Demining is an international expert organization working for the elimination of anti-personnel mines and for the reduction of the humanitarian impact of other landmines and explosive remnants of war.

11 - 13h

14 - 16h
MONDAY

EXHIBITORS

GRADUATE INSTITUTE OF INTERNATIONAL AND DEVELOPMENT STUDIES

www.graduateinstitute.ch

The Graduate Institute is an institution of research and higher education dedicated to the cross-cutting disciplines of international relations and development studies.

16:30 - 18h

9 - 10:30h
TUESDAY

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND SECURITY NETWORK (ISN)

www.isn.ethz.ch

The International Relations and Security Network is the world's leading open access information service for international relations and security professionals. The ISN promotes security dialogue and cooperation in international relations by creating, processing, sharing and using open access information.

11 - 12:30h

14 - 15:30h

SWISS FEDERAL DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

www.eda.admin.ch

The Federal Department for Foreign Affairs (FDFA) formulates and coordinates Swiss foreign policy on the instructions of the Federal Council.

16 - 17:30h

9 - 10:30h
WEDNESDAY

PfP CONSORTIUM OF DEFENSE ACADEMIES AND SECURITY STUDIES INSTITUTES

www.pfpconsortium.org

The PfP Consortium of Defense Academies and Security Studies Institutes is a voluntary international association of institutes of higher learning in defense and security affairs that is supported by the United States, Germany, Austria, Switzerland and NATO.

11 - 13h

EXHIBITORS**FRIEDRICH-EBERT-STIFTUNG (FES)**www.fes.de

The Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung is a private non-profit organization dedicated to social justice, democracy and pluralism. It engages in projects in the fields of socio-political development and economic and social promotion.

I-INTELLIGENCEwww.i-intelligence.eu

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JUNGLE DRUMwww.jngldrm.org

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EXHIBITORS**MEDIA TENOR INTERNATIONAL**www.mediatenor.com

Media Tenor is a leading media institute in the field of applied Agenda Setting Research, serving partners in the corporate, government and scientific world with strategic media intelligence.

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THE DIPLOMATIC COURIERwww.diplomaticcourier.com

The Diplomatic Courier is an independent global affairs magazine that publishes quarterly in print and weekly online.

INFORMATION

ADMINISTRATIVE REMARKS

SECURITY

Sicurezza/ Sécurité

The ISF name tag serves as security accreditation - please wear it all times during the ISF. Security staff will check the name tags at the entrance to the Kongresshaus Zurich. All participants attending the official ISF dinner on Monday evening are kindly requested to bring their invitation cards.

IMPORTANT INFORMATIONS AND PHONE NUMBERS

Informazione e chiamata d'emergenza/ information et appel d'urgence

The **emergency number** in Switzerland for the ambulance is **144**.

Please note that Thursday, 2 June 2011, is a public holiday in Switzerland, therefore shops and banks are closed.

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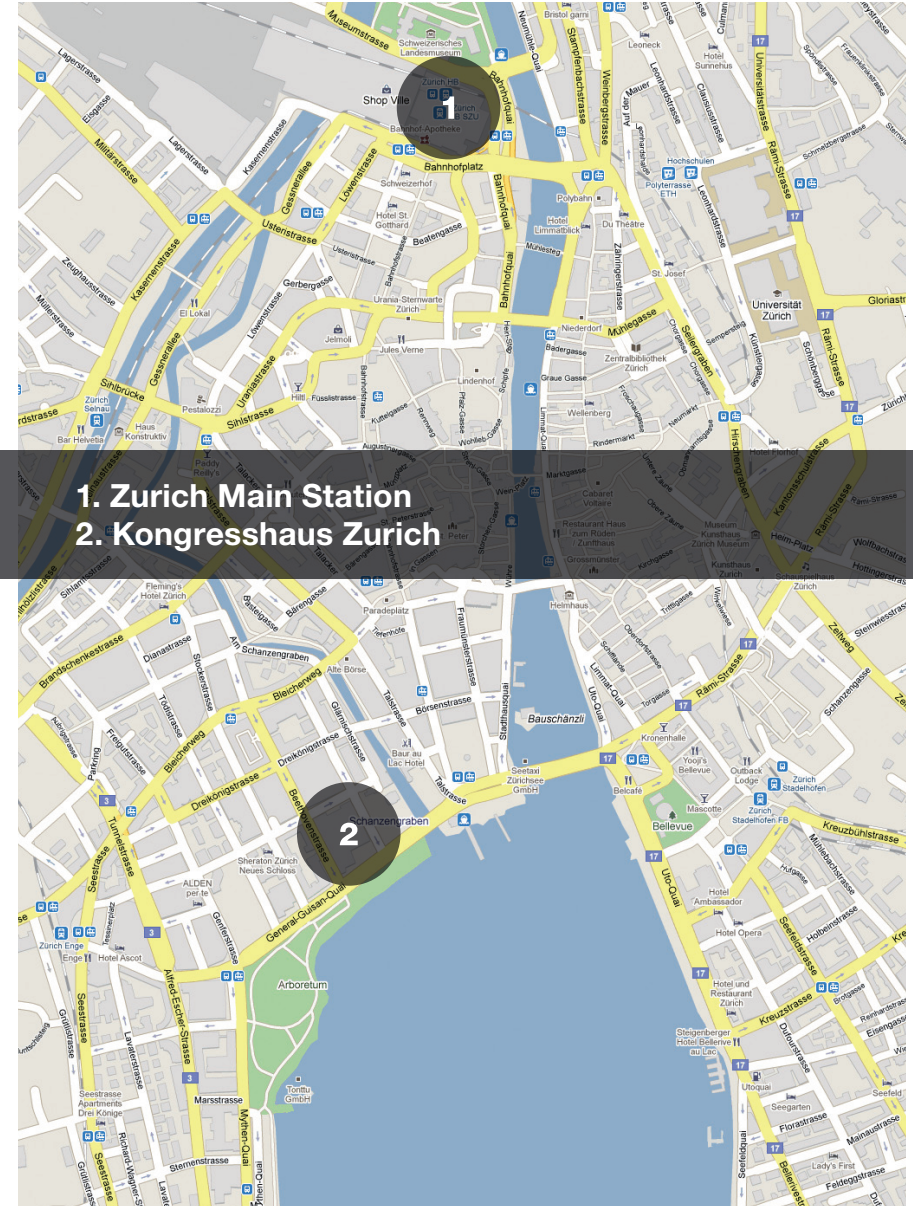
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