

• Political Transformation

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COFFEE BREAK

CONCLUDING PANEL V: 16:30–18:15 h

Do Well or Do No Harm? External Intervention and  
the Future of the Legal Monopoly of Physical  
Violence

Chair:  
Theo Sommer, Editor-at-Large DIE ZEIT, Hamburg

Panel Participants:

Karen Ballentine,  
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Center on International Cooperation, New York University

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CONCLUSION AND FAREWELL 18:15 h

Volker Rittberger, President, German Foundation for  
Peace Research, Osnabrück

The conference language will be English.  
The conference hall "Musiksaal" is located in the main  
building of the University of Osnabrück, Neuer  
Graben/Schloss, 49074 Osnabrück.

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The German Foundation for Peace Research invites  
you to celebrate with us the fifth anniversary of the  
Foundation on

Thursday, 27 April, 2006, 11.00 – 13.00 h  
in the Stadthalle of Osnabrück.

We are looking forward to welcoming you in  
Osnabrück. For registration please contact the office of  
the Foundation in Osnabrück or the website.

Prof. Dr. Volker Rittberger  
President

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Organisation and Contact

The international symposium "Strategies for Peace" is  
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## International Symposium

Strategies for Peace:  
Contributions of International  
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On the Occasion of the  
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International Symposium  
Strategies for Peace: Contributions of  
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Purpose and Background

The international community is faced with protracted wars and violent life-threatening conflicts. Reactions to this state of affairs range from intensified conflict prevention and peacekeeping missions to military interventions and post-conflict peacebuilding. A number of high-level international commissions identified key issues and made suggestions to cope with violent conflicts in order to restore and secure peace. Part of this debate is about reforming the UN in a variety of respects, redefining policy agendas such as the responsibility of states to protect their citizens and fostering human security. International organisations, nation states, and civil society with its non-governmental organisations as well as private sector entities engage in programmes of prevention and peacebuilding. Nevertheless, the world is far away from having effective institutional guarantors for stable peace.

On the occasion of the fifth anniversary of the German Foundation for Peace Research/Deutsche Stiftung Friedensforschung, the Foundation hosts an International Symposium “Strategies for Peace” to study and discuss possible contributions of international organisations, states, private sector entities, and civil society organisations to establishing effective institutions for stable peace. It is intended to promote a dialogue on the state of the art between scholars representative of the international peace and conflict research community and experts from foreign, security, and development policy-making communities. The conference can also contribute to designing road maps for securing stable peace.

The Symposium programme starts with the key note address by Andrew Mack, LIU Institute for Global Issues, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, followed by five panels.

Panel I reviews the mixed record of the United Nations in conflict prevention, peacekeeping, peace enforcement, and peacebuilding. It discusses the proposals for UN

reform and the interaction between the United Nations and regional organisations.

Panel II focuses on the roles of states and statehood in guaranteeing peace. Two role models are seen as potential “pacifying actors”: “liberal hegemons” and “civilian states”. In addition, the phenomenon of failed or failing states as a major threat to sustainable peace is on the agenda of this panel.

Panel III discusses the role private actors play in violent conflicts, in conflict prevention and resolution, and in peacebuilding. Assessing these roles research has come to quite different conclusions.

Panel IV addresses the reconstruction of war-torn societies requiring a multidimensional approach based on an understanding of the root causes of conflict and of the specific dynamics of violence in order to avoid a relapse into violent conflict.

The Concluding Panel V will debate the question of whether and how interventions of external actors in violence prone conflicts can effectively contribute to peace and conflict transformation.

FRIDAY, APRIL 28, 2006

OPENING AND WELCOME 11:00 h

Volker Rittberger, President, German Foundation for Peace Research, Osnabrück

WELCOME

Claus Rainer Rollinger, President, University of Osnabrück

KEYNOTE ADDRESS: 11:30–12:30 h

A More Peaceful World? Explaining the Worldwide Decline in Political Violence  
Andrew Mack  
LIU Institute for Global Issues  
University of British Columbia, Vancouver

LUNCH BREAK

PANEL I: 14:00–16:30 h  
International Organisations and their Member States

Chair:  
Harald Müller, Peace Research Institute Frankfurt/Main

- Enforced Evolution? UN Peacekeeping and Peacebuilding Mechanisms in a Changing Security Environment  
Richard Gowan  
Center on International Cooperation, New York University
- African Alternatives? Flaws and Comparative Advantages of the African Union Organisation and Subregional Organisations in Crisis Prevention and Peacekeeping  
Tobias Debiel  
Institute for Development and Peace, Duisburg

Commentator:  
Uta Zapf, Member of Bundestag

COFFEE BREAK

PANEL II: 17:00–19:30 h  
States

Chair:  
Herbert Wulf, UNDP Arms Control Adviser, Pinneberg

- Hegemonic States as Pacifying Powers? The United States and Incomplete Hegemony  
Michael Mastanduno,  
Dartmouth College, Hanover, N. H.
- The European Union as a Normative Power  
Ian Manners,  
University of Malmö
- States at Risk: Fragile Statehood as a Challenge to Peace and Security  
Ulrich Schneckener,  
German Institute for International and Security Affairs, Berlin

Commentator:  
Klaus-Jürgen Hedrich, Former Parliamentary State Secretary,  
Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development

SATURDAY, APRIL 29, 2006

PANEL III: 9:00–11:00 h  
Non-State Actors

- Chair:  
Georg Nolte, University of Munich
- Private Sector Companies as Actors in Conflict  
Karen Ballentine,  
Norwegian Trade Union Centre for Social Science and Research (Fafo), Oslo

- Civil Society and Peacebuilding: Potential and Limits  
Martina Fischer,  
Berghof Research Center for Constructive Conflict Management, Berlin

Commentator:  
Markus Löning, Member of Bundestag

POSTER SESSION: 11:15–12:15 h  
Presentation of research projects funded by the  
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LUNCH BREAK

PANEL IV: 13:30–16:00 h  
Cross-Cutting Challenges for Post-Conflict  
Peacebuilding

- Chair:  
Prof. Dr. Michael Brzoska, Institute for Peace Research and Security Policy at the University of Hamburg
- Reconstruction the Liberal Peace: The Key Graduations of Liberal Peacebuilding  
Oliver Richmond,  
University of St. Andrews
  - Reconciliation  
David Bloomfield,  
Berghof Research Center for Constructive Conflict Management, Berlin