Preliminary program for the AFK Empirical Peace and Conflict Research Workshop 2022

Day 1

Session 1: Electoral Violence

9:00 - 10:00

- Felix Haass - The Political Effects of Witnessing State Atrocities: Evidence from the Nazi Death Marches
  - Discussant: Krzysztof Krakowski

- Neeraj Prasad - Violence as an Electoral Strategy: Booth-Level Evidence from West Bengal, India
  - Discussant: Felix Schulte

Session 2: Movement Support and Mobilization

10:15 – 11:45

- Belen Gonzalez - The effect of hunger strikes on public support for opposition movements
  - Discussant: Miceal Canavan

- Miceal Canavan - Violence begets violence: Violent riots increase support for political violence, but only among co-partisans
  - Discussant: Frederik Gremler

Frederik Gremler - Posting to be First Past the Post? When and How the Electoral Context Influences Ethnic Party Identity Appeal Usage

- Discussant: Belen Gonzalez

11:45 – 13:00 Lunch break

Session 3: Parallel Sessions

13.00 – 14.30

3A: Conflict Prediction

- Sonja Häffner - Improving Conflict Prediction Models with Domain Specific Dictionaries for Newspaper Articles
  - Discussant: Simon Polichinel von der Maase

- Christian Oswald - Margin of (t)error: Predicting terrorism in civil conflicts for theory building and improvement
  - Discussant: Sonja Häffner

- Simon Polichinel von der Maase - ConflictNet 1.0 - A probabilistic recurrent Unet for conflict forecasting
  - Discussant: Christian Oswald

3B: Interstate Cooperation and Conflict

- Adam Scharpf - The Targeting Logic of Soft Power: Evidence from Kissinger’s International Seminar
  - Discussant: Tobias Risse

- Tobias Risse - Regime Type and State Support for Arms Control
  - Discussant: Julian Walterskirchen

- Julian Walterskirchen - Do alliances deter civil conflict? Assessing the effect of military alliances on the onset of intrastate violence.
  - Discussant: Adam Scharpf

Session 4: Qualitative methods and data

14:45 – 16:15

- Stephanie Jänsch - What We Thought We Know - Reflections on Knowledge Production before Entering “The Field”
  - Discussant: Rosario Figari Layus

- Daniel Gomez Uribe - Memory in war zones: Memory workshops as a method to build wartime experiences
  - Discussant: Julia Leib

- Rosario Figari Layus - Online or face to face? Methodological challenges and advantages of conducting digital fieldwork in context of conflict and violence
  - Discussant: Stephanie Jänsch

Business meeting

16:15 -16:45
Day 2

Session 1: The Effect of the Removal of Opposition Leaders
9:00-10:00

- Felix Schulte - Repression and Backlash Protests – Why Leader Arrests Backfire
  o Discussant: Felix Haass
  o Discussant: Neeraj Prasad

Session 2: Parallel Sessions
10:15 – 11:45

2A: Protest Escalation and Security Force Behavior
- Christoph Dworschak - Security Force Behavior and Strategies of Resistance
  o Discussant: Mai Van Tran
- Mai Van Tran - Provoking civilian disruption towards popular protests: The role of counter-mobilization strategies by Myanmar military
  o Discussant: Christoph Dworschak

2B: Conflict Processes
- Nadine O'Shea - Two sides of the same coin? The impact of Private Military and Security Companies (PMSCs) on civilian victimization by governments and insurgents
  o Discussant: Amelie Freiberg
- Henrique Garbino - Challenging the “poor man’s weapon” predication: varying levels of restraint in irregular and conventional warfare
  o Discussant: Nadine O'Shea
- Amelie Freiberg - Conflict-related sexual violence: Understanding the influence of rebels’ individual-level characteristics on strategies of combatant socialization
  Discussant: Henrique Garbino

11:45 – 13:00 Lunch break

Session 3: Parallel Sessions
13.00 – 14.00

3A: Regime Stability and Human Rights
- Svend-Erik Skaaning - Hybrid Regimes and Human Right Violations
  o Discussant: Nils Weidmann
- Nils Weidmann - From Bad to Worse? How Protest Escalates to Armed Conflict in Autocracies
  o Discussant: Svend-Erik Skaaning

3B: Inequality and redistribution
- Gerlinde Theunissen - Local Inequality, Co-ethnicity, and Perceived Economic Status
  o Discussant: Casper Sakstrup
- Casper Sakstrup - Group-based injustice motivates, whereas group-based inequality dissuades, political violence
  o Discussant: Gerlinde Theunissen

Session 5: Quantitative Conflict and Peace Datasets
14:15 – 15:45

- Julia Palik - Laying Down Weapons after Conflict: Introducing the Disarmament in intrastate Peace Agreements (DISARM PA) dataset
  o Discussant: Clara Neupert-Wentz
- Clara Neupert-Wentz - According to Whom? A Comparison of Conflict Data Across Time and Space
  o Discussant: Nils Weidmann
- Wolfgang Schreiber - The Missing Information in Databases: Internationalized Intrastate Conflicts and Supporting Non-State Actors
Discussant: Julia Palik