

**2011 Annual Conference**

# ***Out Of The Ivory Tower***

***Weaving the Theories and Practice of International Relations***

**Saturday 22 and Sunday 23 October 2011**

Clement House

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## Saturday October 22

Registration & Coffee / 09.00 - 10.00

Session 1 / 10.00 - 11.30

### Opening Panel

**Andrew Hurrell** (Oxford University), **Stephen Gill** (York University) and **Carol Cohn** (University of Massachusetts)

Coffee Break / 11.30 - 12.00

Session 2 / 12.00 - 13.30

### Critical Theory and Practical Relevance

**Nathan Andrews** (University of Alberta)

*Beyond the Ivory Tower*

**Samuel Knafo** (University of Sussex)

*Beyond the False Promise of Reflexivity: Towards a Methodology for Critical Theory*

**Mark Laffey** (SOAS) and **Suthaharan Nadarajah** (SOAS)

*Can the Mission be Saved? Liberal Peacebuilding and the Turn to Critical Theory*

**Rodger A. Payne** (University of Louisville)

*Cooperative Security: Grand Strategy Meets Critical Theory?*

### Post-conflict Peacebuilding: Researching the Disconnect Between Theory and Practice

**Jair van der Lijn** (Netherlands Institute of International Relations Clingendael)

*Afghanistan: Where Dilemmas become Dogmas, and Models are Perceived to be Reality*

**Gearoid Millar** (Radboud University Nijmegen)

*Dissociated Elites: Investigating the Disconnect between Elites and Those They Claim to Represent*

**Marta Iniguez de Heredia** (London School of Economics)

*The Everyday Paradox of Statebuilding Practice*

**Rebekka Friedman** (London School of Economics)

*Truth and Reconciliation Commissions and Peacebuilding: Participatory Nation-Building in Sierra Leone*

Discussant **Chris Alden** (London School of Economics)

## **Questioning Resilience: What is at Stake in Policy and Academic Framings of the Governance of the Self?**

Chair **Liza Griffin** (University of Westminster)

**Mustapha Kamal Pasha** (University of Aberdeen)

*Human/ Resilient/ Secular*

**Nicholas Michelsen** (King's College, London)

*The Political in Question Between Resilient Subjects and Suicide-bombers: in Conversation with Gilles Deleuze and Alain Badiou*

**Jonathan Joseph** (University of Kent)

*Resilience as Governance: An Anglo-Saxon Model?*

**David Chandler** (University of Westminster)

*International Statebuilding and the Post-liberal Discourse of Resilience*

Discussant **Branwen Gruffydd Jones** (Goldsmiths, University of London)

## **Practice, Ethics and Normativity**

Chair **David J. Karp** (University of Glasgow)

**Antje Wiener** (University of Hamburg)

*Constitutionalism Unbound*

**Cornelia Navari** (University of Buckingham)

*Getting from Social Practices to Ethical Practices*

**Chris Brown** (London School of Economics)

*Practice, Phronesis and Prudence*

**Rahul Rao** (SOAS)

*Stretching Normative Theory: Fiction, Praxis and Third World Protest*

Discussant **Kirsten Ainley** (London School of Economics)

Lunch break / 13.30 - 14.30

Millennium will not be providing lunch on Saturday, but a map of restaurants and food outlets in the area is provided in the conference pack.

Session 3 / 14.30 - 16.00

## **Filling the Theory/Practice Divide – Divergence and Convergence**

**Thomas C. Walker** (Grand Valley State University)

*Another Peril of Paradigm Mentalities: The Widening Academic and Policy Divide*

**Hiski Haukkala** (University of Tampere)

*Timing is Everything: The Time, Space and Strategies for Scholarly Analysis in the Making of Foreign Policy*

**Ben Jacoby and David Guttormsen** (University of Warwick)  
*Bridging the Gap - Academia and the Realist - Constructivism Debate*

### **Steering IR Through Practice Approaches – the Application of Practical Approach to the Study of IR**

**Karen Tucker** (University of Bristol)

*Theorising Global Power, Knowledge and Representation: Towards a Practice-Based Approach to NGOs and Global Governance*

**John Karlsrud** (Norwegian Institute of International Affairs)

*SRSGs as Norm Arbitrators? Understanding Authority in UN Peace Operations*

**David J. Tingle** (McGill University)

*Practice Theory and the Theory/Practice Dichotomy: The Foundations of Theoretical Account of International Practices.*

**Ann Marie Clark** (Purdue University)

*The Appeal to Justice in International Politics: Theory and Practice*

### **Theory and Practice of IR in the Emerging Powers**

**Hugo Arend** (Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio Grande do Sul)

*“What If That Tower is Not Made of Ivory At All?”: International Studies in Brazil (resisting theories, reifying practices)*

**Upendra Choudhury** (Aligarh Muslim University)

*International Relations in India: Bridging the Gap between Potential and Reality*

**Yu Bao** (University of Alberta)

*A Chinese School of International Relations Theory?*

### **On Courage: How to Traverse Theory/Practice Divide with Dignity**

**Chair Aida A. Hozic** (University of Florida)

**Mauro J. Caraccioli** (University of Florida)

*Pedagogies of Freedom: Courage and Exile in International Life*

**Manu Samnotra** (University of Florida)

*Courage, Conscience and Timeliness*

**Evgenia Ilieva** (University of Florida)

*Nandy, Todorov, and Non-Heroic Ordinarity*

**Aida A. Hozic** (University of Florida)

*Conformism and Courage in and about American IR*

**Discussant Wanda Vrasti** (Humboldt University)

Coffee Break / 16.00 - 16.30

Session 4 / 16.30-18.00

**Keynote Speech**

**Kathryn Sikkink** (University of Minnesota)

Reception / 18.00

## Sunday October 23rd

Session 5 / 10.00 - 11.30

**Scholars and Practitioners Perception**

**Raluca Soreanu** (University College London) and **Norbert Petrovici** (Babes-Bolyai University)

*Non-Hierarchical Encounters and Responsibility in the Discipline of International Relations: When Scholars Meet Practitioners*

**Peter Brett** (SOAS)

*International Lawyers: IR Theorists and Practitioners*

**Christian Bueger** (University of Greenwich) and **Felix Bethke** (Greifswald University)

*Boundary Concepts and the Interaction of Communities of Practice Struggling with the Security-Development-Nexus*

**IR Theories and Practice Through Empirical Lenses**

**Heikki Patomäki** (University of Helsinki)

*The Central Task of Social Sciences: Explanatory Critique and Concrete Eutopias – with a Cosmopolitan Intent*

**Andrew Cooper** (University of Waterloo)

*The G20 as a State-centric Concert or Source of Diffuse Network Power?: Connects/ Disconnects Between Academic Conceptualizations and Practitioner Perspectives*

**Igor Abdalla Medina de Souza** (European University Institute)

*An Offer Developing Countries Could not Refuse: How Did Powerful States Create the World Trade Organization*

**Normative Theory in Practice**

**Annette Foerster** (London School of Economics)

*The Law of Peoples - Practical Relevance of a Realistic Utopia*

**Milla Emilia Vaha** (European University Institute)

*Against Practical Judgement: Theory of War and the Crisis of Foundational Ethics*

**John Kaag** (University of Massachusetts Lowell) and **Sarah Kreps** (Cornell University)  
*Pragmatism and International Relations Theory: A Revision*

**David J. Karp** (University of Glasgow)

*Two Logics of Consequences and Appropriateness: Human Rights Responsibility and Non-State Agents*

### **IR Shaping Practice in the non-Western Periphery**

**Waleed Hazbun** (American University of Beirut)

*The Challenge of Postcolonial Agency in the Middle East*

**Vera Vesela** (Institute of International Relations, Prague)

*Up to the Ivory Tower: Islamism as a Gateway to Conceptual Turn in IR*

**Lisa Vasciannie** (University of the West Indies)

*One Size Fits Most: Teaching Theories in the Periphery*

Coffee Break / 11.30 - 12.00

Session 6 / 12.00 - 13.30

### **The Practices of Theory in IR**

**Chairs R. Beardsworth** (American University of Paris) and **Scott Nelson**

**Richard Beardsworth** (American University of Paris)

*Political Vision in IR*

**Daniel Levine** (Colgate University)

*Ethical Eclecticism; or, Fragmenting International Theory*

**Sean Molloy** (Edinburgh University)

*E.H. Carr and Practical IR Theory: Toward a Realist Ethics*

**Scott Nelson** (Virginia Technology University)

*Toward a Critique: the Secular State and the Democratic International*

**Discussant Kimberly Hutchings** (London School of Economics)

### **IR's Construction of the Political World**

**Münevver Cebeci** (Marmara University)

*European Foreign Policy Research Reconsidered: Constructing Europe Through Theory?*

**Preslava Stoeva** (Richmond The American International University in London) and

**Vassilis Fouskas** (Richmond The American International University in London)

*The Constructivist Moment in US Grand Strategy: Dean Acheson, Paul Nitze and the Militarisation of Containment*

**Stephan Engelkamp** (University of Münster) and **Katharina Glaab** (University of Münster)

*'Writing Norms' - Norm Research as Scholarly Practice*

### **National IR Communities and Better IR Theories**

**Panayotis Tsakonas** (University of the Aegean)

*"Policy Relevant" Theory and "Theory-Informed" Practice in Greek Foreign Policy.*

**Erica Simone A. Resende** (Rio de Janeiro State University)

*IR Studies, Diplomatic Service and Foreign Policy Practices in Brazil*

**Giulia Sirigu** (University of Manchester)

*Strategic-relational Approach, Foreign Policy and How Change Occurs. A Mexican Foreign Policy Analysis.*

### **Challenging Traditional Understandings of the Discipline**

**Daniel Lambach** (University Duisburg Essen)

*Why Do IR Scholars Study Fragile States and Not Comparativists?*

**Iver B. Neumann** (Norwegian Institute of International Affairs) and **Morten S. Andersen** (Norwegian Institute of International Affairs)

*How to Practice Structure*

**Roberto Orsi** (London School of Economics)

*The Danger of Dangerous Ideas. Risk and Opportunity in Theorising IR: the Case of Carl Schmitt.*

**Magnus Ryner** (Oxford Brookes University)

*Orthodoxy and Heterodoxy in the Production of Knowledge about the EU*

Lunch Break / 13.30 - 14.30

Session 7 / 14.30-16.00

### **Theorising IR as a Form of Practice**

**Inanna Hamati-Ataya** (University of Sheffield)

*IR Theory as International Practice/Agency: A Clinical/Cynical Bourdieusian Perspective*

**Audra L. Mitchell** (University of York)

*Be(com)ing International*

**Tarja Väyrynen, Anitta Kynsilehto, Eeva Puumala, Samu Pehkonen and Tiina Vaittinen** (University of Tampere)

*'Inducing Daria out of the Closet': Biopolitics Meets Ethnography and Activism in the Study of Migration*



**Jaap Wilde** (University of Groningen)

*The Disciplinary Construction of International Relations Compared to International Law*

## **Weaving Theory and Practice in International Relations: Conceptual and Normative Aspects**

Chair **Piki Ish-Shalom**

**Anna Geis** (University of Frankfurt)

*You Better Stay in the Ivory Tower? On the 'Democratic Peace' Turning Into a Political Justificatory Narrative*

**Christopher Hobson**

*'Leave it to Us': Removing Theory from Practice*

**Alexander Barder** (John Hopkins University) and **Daniel Levine** (Colgate University)

*'The World is Too Much With Us': Reification and the Depoliticizing of Constructivist IR*

**Piki Ish-Shalom** (Hebrew University of Jerusalem)

*Zooming In Zooming Out and the Study of Security*

Discussant **Alex Prichard** (London School of Economics)

## **Challenges in Teaching IR**

**Katherine E. Brown** (King's College London)

*Educating Rupert: IR Theory and Practice in Professional Military Education*

**Corneliu Bjola** (University of Oxford)

*Diplomacy as World Disclosure: A Teaching Method*

**Jonas Hagmann** (ETH Zürich)

*Decolonising IR Classroom Politics*

## **Reconsidering the Practice of IR Concepts**

**Xavier Mathieu** (University of Sheffield)

*Empiricising Sovereignty, Revealing its Normativity: the Concept of Sovereignty as an Expression of Our Own Aspirations.*

**Zeynep N. Kaya** (London School of Economics)

*Evolution of the Principle of Self-determination into a Liberal-ethnicist Principle as Result of the Interaction Between its Meaning and Application*

**Karen Buckley** (University of Limerick)

*Achieving the Dialectical Balance between Theory and Practice in the Politics of Resistance.*

**Chris Naticchia** (California State University)

*The Theory and Practice of International Recognition: Is it Coherent and Defensible?*



Coffee Break / 16.00 - 16.30

Session 8 / 16.30-18.00

**Closing Panel**

**Christian Reus-Smit** (European University Institute)

**Stephen Chan** (SOAS)

**Christine Sylvester** (Lancaster University)