



Academic Council Debate Series

Human Security Challenges in Sudan

Round Table Discussion, SNIS-BIA Event

The Swiss Network for International Studies and the Bachelor in International Affairs program at University of St. Gallen are pleased to invite you to this joint event.

Date: Thursday, 10 March 2011
Time: 12:00 – 14:00 (Brown Bag Seminar)
Location: University of St. Gallen, Dufourstr. 45, 9000 St. Gallen
Room 07-001 – Building 7

Speakers:

1. Mr Eric BERMAN, Managing Director,
THE SMALL ARMS SURVEY, Geneva

Topic: Small arms proliferation in Sudan: the challenges of an independent South Sudan.

2. Dr. Peter NEUSSL
Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA)
United Nations Office at Geneva

Chair:

Professor Dirk LEHMKUHL
Chair of European Politics at the University of St. Gallen



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More about the Speakers / Chair:

Eric G. Berman is Managing Director of the Small Arms Survey, a Geneva-based independent research project. Prior to joining the Survey, he was a Visiting Scholar at Brown University's Watson Institute for International Studies, and had served with the United Nations in Geneva, Nairobi, New York, and Phnom Penh. He has published widely on UN and African security issues.

Dr. Peter Neussl studied international human rights (PhD) and European law (Master or European Law, Brugge) and worked in Strasbourg for the European Court of Human Rights and in Bosnia and Herzegovina for the Human Rights Chamber, the Constitutional Court, as well as the Office of the High Representative for Bosnia and Herzegovina. As of 2002 he has been working for the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA). He was first seconded to the Internal Displacement Section by the Representative of the Secretary General on Internally Displaced Persons, Mr. Francis Deng, and led the Internal Displacement and Protection Section in OCHA Côte d'Ivoire from 2005 to 2007. Dr. Neussl returned to OCHA Geneva at the beginning of 2008 as Officer-in-Charge of the Inter-Agency Standing Committee (IASC) Secretariat. As of August 2008, he has been working for the Geographical Coordination and Monitoring Section in Geneva in the External Relations and Monitoring Branch. Dr. Neussl is responsible for reaching out to Geneva based humanitarian partners including donors in support of emergencies in Africa. He published articles on citizenship, internal displacement, human rights and constitutional law within the European context and beyond.

Professor Dirk Lehmkuhl is Professor of European Politics at the University of St. Gallen since February 2008. He achieved his PhD at the European University in Florence and was Senior Research Fellow at the Max Planck Institute for the Research of Collective Goods and at the Institute of Political Science at the University of Zurich. His teaching and research portfolio includes themes of European Integration and International Relations, including comparative regional integration, the contribution of non-state actors to global governance and the transnationalisation of political interactions.

Organizers

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Bachelor of International Affairs (BIA): This event is organized through the National Model United Nations (NMUN) course offered to Bachelor students annually through the BIA program at the University of St. Gallen. As part of the course, the 2011 HSG delegation will represent the Republic of Sudan at the NMUN conference in New York in April 2011. More information can be found on [BIA](#) and the course website www.nmun.ch.