

# Workshop on Conflict Dynamics

28 September – 29 September 2020

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## Programme Summary:

(Detailed programme below)

Monday 28 September					
Time (UTC +1)	Virtual Lecture Theatre	Virtual Clay Room	Virtual Butler Room	Virtual Conference Room	Virtual Chester Room
9:15 - 9:30	A workshop in times of Covid - Welcome and organizational remarks				
9:30 - 11:00	<i>Discussant: Timothy Williams</i> Samuel Ritholtz Melanie Sauter	<i>Discussant: Roman Krtsch</i> Jennifer Hodge Susanne Schaftenaar	<i>Discussant: Barbara Piotrowska</i> Désirée Reder Pauline Lemaire	<i>Discussant: Eline Drury Løvlien</i> Jemima Ackah-Arthur Vanessa Meier	<i>Discussant: Jessica Anania</i> Johanna Amaya-Panche Anna Gopsill
11:00 - 11:15	Coffee break				
11:15 - 12:00	<i>Discussant: Adam Scharpf</i> Marc-Olivier Cantin	<i>Discussant: Susanne Schaftenaar</i> Ingrid Vik Bakken	<i>Discussant: Charlotte Fiedler</i> Kit Rickard/Sigrid Weber/Jonathan Weigel/Augustin Bergeron/Gabriel Tourek	<i>Discussant: Anna-Lena Hönig</i> Shane Drennan	
12:00 - 13:00	Lunch break				
13:00 - 14:30	Talk: Why You Write: Communicating Beyond the Academy				
14:30 - 14:45	Coffee break				
14:45 - 16:15	<i>Discussant: Belén González</i> Johannes Rothe Jori Breslawski	<i>Discussant: Juan Masullo</i> Bastian Herre Juliana Tappe Ortiz	<i>Discussant: Christian Glässel</i> Guiseppe Spatafora Felipe Fulcher Cruvinel	<i>Discussant: Anouk Rigterink</i> Eric Skoog Angela Chesler	<i>Discussant: Cosima Meyer</i> Kurt Bassuener Karina Mross
16:15 - 16:30	Coffee break				

16:30 - 17:30	Pass it on				
17:30	Drinks reception				
<b>Tuesday 29 September</b>					
Time (UTC +1)	Virtual Lecture Theatre	Virtual Clay Room	Virtual Butler Room	Virtual Conference Room	
9:00 - 10:30	Talk and roundtable: Social media for academics ( <a href="http://bit.ly/zoom-lecture-hall">http://bit.ly/zoom-lecture-hall</a> ; password: 138956)				
10:30 - 10:45	Coffee break				
10:45 - 12:15	<i>Discussant: Andrea Ruggeri</i> Nicola Mathieson Nadine O'Shea	<i>Discussant: Milli Lake</i> Clara Voyvodic Samantha Ruppel	<i>Discussant: Mascha Rauschenbach</i> Gudlaug Olafsdottir Muhyadin Saed	<i>Discussant: André Python</i> Johanna Rodehau-Noack Melissa Pavlik	
12:15 - 13:15	Lunch break				
13:15 - 14:45	<i>Discussant: Felix Haas</i> Lukas Hegele Natasja Rupesinghe	<i>Discussant: Jürgen Brandsch</i> Alexander Sorg Meri Dankenbring	<i>Discussant: Evgenija Kröker</i> Marius Mehrl Julia Leib	<i>Discussant: Nadine O'Shea</i> Jenniina Kotajoki Felix Olsowski	
14:45 - 15:00	Coffee break				
15:00 - 16:30	<i>Discussant: Stefan Döring</i> Kerstin Unfried Kristina Petrova	<i>Discussant: Felix Olsowski</i> Bård Drange Charlotte Fiedler/Karina Mross	<i>Discussant: Katrin Paula</i> Christoph Steinert/Christoph Dworschak Eirin Haugseth	<i>Discussant: Nicholas Barker</i> Daniel Odin Shaw Sam Erkiletian	

We use "Wonder" (former "Yotribe") to host "Pass it on", lunch and coffee breaks as well as the drinks reception. It is intuitive and does not require any registration. You can add a camera photo when opening it the first time. It works best on laptops or PCs using either Chrome or Firefox Firefox. It is also supported on mobile phones but not on tablets yet.

We will take photos but no videos during the workshop for the purpose of documentation. We process such photos according to Article 6 (1) lit. f) EU-GDPR. Of course, you have the right to object to such processing and publication of your personal data at any time.

# Detailed Programme

## Monday 28 September

9:15 – 9:30

A workshop in times of Covid - Welcome and organizational remarks

*Virtual Lecture Theatre*

*Evgenija Kröker*

*Cosima Meyer*

*Anna-Lena Hönig*

9:30 – 11:00

*Virtual Lecture Theatre*

*Discussant: Timothy Williams*

Samuel Ritholtz: Overkill, violence against sexual & gender minorities, & theories of social control in Colombia's armed conflict

Melanie Sauter: Violence against health care during the Ebola response in the DR Congo: A matter of distrust or political oppression?

*Virtual Clay Room*

*Discussant: Roman Krtsch*

Susanne Schaftenaar: Gender dimensions of nonviolent campaign participation: a survey analysis of the Jan Andolan II movement in Nepal

Jennifer Hodge: The puzzle of early participation in peace movements during conflict

*Virtual Butler Room*

*Discussant: Barbara Piotrowska*

Désirée Reder: Choosing to repress peaceful dissent: Disproportional state violence and the mitigation of political costs

Pauline Lemaire: Do you see me now? (C)overtness and youth's use of social media for information

*Virtual Conference Room*

*Discussant: Eline Drury Løvlien*

Jemima Ackah-Arthur: Appeasing allies: State responses to terror threats in Sub-Saharan Africa

Vanessa Meier: Trading one problem for another? External military assistance and insurgents' use of terrorist tactics

*Virtual Chester Room*

*Discussant: Jessica Anania*

Johanna Amaya-Panche: Can foreign aid foster reconciliation? An evidence from Colombia

Anna Gopsill: Where are the men? Male vulnerability in UN policy

## 11:15 – 12:00

### *Virtual Lecture Theatre*

*Discussant: Adam Scharpf*

Marc-Olivier Cantin: The Radicalization of Combatants in Civil Wars

### *Virtual Clay Room*

*Discussant: Susanne Schaftenaar*

Ingrid Vik Bakken/Ragnhild Nordås: Sexualized repression and female dissent

### *Virtual Butler Room*

*Discussant: Charlotte Fiedler*

Kit Rickard, Sigrid Weber, Jonathan Weigel, Augustin Bergeron, Gabriel Tourek: UN Mediation and the Rule of Law in the Congo

### *Virtual Conference Room*

*Discussant: Anna-Lena Hönig*

Shane Drennan: What terrorism is for: A teleological analysis of terrorism

### *Virtual Chester Room*

*Discussant: Cosima Meyer*

Anna Chirniciuc: International norms and the discursive construction of the other in UNSC deliberations 1995-2017

## 13:00 – 14:30 Talk: Why You Write: Communicating Beyond the Academy

### *Lecture Theatre*

Adam McCauley

Academics can often feel stuck between the proverbial rock and hard place: The research they do is essential — even groundbreaking — but communicating this beyond immediate colleagues and the academy can prove challenging. This session will provide some hints/tips/practical advice for sharing what matters most about your work with a public (non-specialist) audience. Areas discussed: pitching work to mainstream/non-academic publications; media relations; marketing your “expertise” online; the craft of writing (i.e. translating research) to modern readers.

## 14:45 – 16:15

### *Virtual Lecture Theatre*

*Discussant: Belén González*

Johannes Rothe: Governance in internationalized insurgency: Rebel governance or proxy governance? Some evidence from Syria

Jori Breslawski: Rebel groups and aid workers: Strategic motives for collaboration

### *Virtual Clay Room*

*Discussant: Juan Masullo*

Bastian Herre: Ideologues and redistributive conflict: Leftist and rightist social unrest in democracies and dictatorships

Juliana Tappe Ortiz: Homo pacificus? – Traits, costs and readiness for peace processes

### *Virtual Butler Room*

*Discussant: Christian Gläβel*

Guiseppe Spatafora: From sponsors to fighters: When foreign states intervene directly in civil wars

Felipe Fulcher Cruvinel: Factors influencing levels of violence in insurgencies: The case of Afghanistan, 2008-2014; Security Observations

### *Virtual Conference Room*

*Discussant: Anouk Rigterink*

Eric Skoog: The effects of indiscriminate violence on morality: Evidence from a natural experiment in West Mosul

Angela Chesler: Triggers of mass civilian killing during civil war: Evidence from event coincidence analysis

### *Virtual Chester Room*

*Discussant: Cosima Meyer*

Kurt Bassuener: Peace cartels and their international broker hosts – How to break regressive symbiosis

Karina Mross: Democratization and peace after civil war – Insights from Liberia

## 16:30 – 17:30 Pass it on

### *Senior Commons Room*

Topics	Experts
Archival research	Christian Gläβel, Sam Erkiletian
Consulting/Outside academia perspective	Adam McCauley, Melissa Pavlik
Database management	Daniel Odin Shaw, Katrin Paula
Family + academia	Muhyadin Saed, Susanne Schaftenaar
Field research/Expert interviews	Anna-Lena Hönig, Nicholas Barker, Timothy Williams
Multimethod research	Jori Breslawski, Karina Mross
NLP and QTA	Cosima Meyer, Dennis Hammerschmidt
Planning your postdoc and convincing your committee	Eline Drury Løvlien, Felix Haas
Planning a research stay	Julia Leib, Stefan Döring

## 17:30 Drinks reception

### *Senior Commons Room*

## Tuesday 29 September

### 9:00 – 10:30 Talk and roundtable: Social media for academics

#### *Virtual Lecture Theatre*

Daniel S. Quintana

Sabine C. Carey

Andrea Ruggeri

### 10:45 – 12:15

#### *Virtual Lecture Theatre*

*Discussant: Andrea Ruggeri*

Nicola Mathieson: The impact of veteran foreign fighters: Introducing a relational theory of knowledge transfer

Nadine O'Shea: The combined effect of foreign military intervention and mediation on one-sided violence during armed conflicts

### *Virtual Clay Room*

*Discussant: Milli Lake*

Clara Voyvodic: Infrastructure and complementary governance: State, armed group, and local civil society relations in the peripheries of Colombia

Samantha Ruppel: Forever together? Civil society interactions in Kenya between partnership and power imbalance

### *Virtual Butler Room*

*Discussant: Mascha Rauschenbach*

Gudlaug Olafsdottir: The electoral security dilemma – Explaining the recurrence of electoral violence

Muhyadin Saed: Political violence, informal institutions and elections in Somaliland

### *Virtual Conference Room*

*Discussant: André Python*

Johanna Rodehau-Noack: Computer says prevent: Knowing and governing armed conflict through digital technologies

Melissa Pavlik: Contours of conflict: Geospatial network position as a predictor of political violence in Afghanistan

## **13:15 – 14:45**

### *Virtual Lecture Theatre*

*Discussant: Felix Haas*

Lukas Hegele: How rebel leaders develop groups into organisations and escalate political contest into armed conflict

Natasja Rupesinghe: Jihadist rule in Central Mali

### *Virtual Clay Room*

*Discussant: Jürgen Brandsch*

Alexander Sorg: Assuring allies: The role of foreign deployed nuclear weapons as security guarantees

Meri Dankenbring: Occurrence of extremist religious ideologies in civil war

### *Virtual Butler Room*

*Discussant: Evgenija Kröker*

Marius Mehrl: A question of legitimacy: Female rebels and UN peacekeeping

Julia Leib: Peacekeeping in the digital age: Communication strategies and local inclusion

### *Virtual Conference Room*

*Discussant: Nadine O'Shea*

Jenniina Kotajoki: How can the United Nations engage with rebels to reduce civilian suffering in civil wars?

Felix Olsowski: Recruitment and promotion patterns in the judicial sector in clientelist regimes

## **15:00 – 16:30**

### *Virtual Lecture Theatre*

*Discussant: Stefan Döring*

Kerstin Unfried: Water scarcity and conflict

Kristina Petrova: Political barriers to disaster risk reduction: The impact of armed conflict on DRR in Pakistan

### *Virtual Clay Room*

*Discussant: Felix Olsowski*

Bård Drange: The pursuit of justice amidst war: Exploring and connecting intentions, policies and outcomes

Charlotte Fiedler/Karina Mross: Dealing with the past for a peaceful future? Analyzing the effect of transitional justice instruments on trust in post-conflict societies

### *Virtual Butler Room*

*Discussant: Katrin Paula*

Christoph Steinert/Christoph Dworschak: Political imprisonments and mass mobilization: Evidence from the former GDR

Eirin Haugseth: Variations in organisational participation in civil resistance events and democratic consolidation

### *Virtual Conference Room*

*Discussant: Nicholas Barker*

Daniel Odin Shaw: Beyond DDR: Dimensions of demobilisation and post-conflict security

Sam Erkiletian: Reconceptualizing Socialization and Resocialization: A Theoretical Framework for Studying the Changing Identities of Former Combatants

## Speaker Biographies

### *Sabine C. Carey*

Sabine C. Carey, PhD is Professor in Political Science at the University of Mannheim. She is also leader of the Working Group “Human Rights, Governance and Conflict” at the Centre for the Study of Civil War a PRIO. Before she took up her position at the University of Mannheim, she was Associate Professor and Reader at the University of Nottingham. She was associate editor of the *American Political Science Review*, *Journal of Peace Research* and *International Interactions*. Her research interests focus on conflict processes, human rights violations, regime change and foreign aid.

### *Adam McCauley*

Adam McCauley is currently based at the Department of Politics and International Relations (DPIR) at the University of Oxford, where he is completing his doctorate. His area of focus is study insurgencies and political violence, with a particular emphasis on how violent non-state groups adapt and survive. Prior to Oxford, Adam worked as a journalist, photographer, and videographer reporting on issues of conflict and international security. His journalistic work has been nominated for numerous industry awards. His 2012 piece for The Atlantic, “Overexposed: A Photographer’s War on PTSD”, was nominated for a 2013 Dart Award (for excellence in reporting on trauma) and the 2013 Mirror Award (for excellence on reporting on the media). His work has appeared in The New York Times, The Atlantic, The New Yorker, TIME Magazine, and Al Jazeera (English/America).

### *Daniel S. Quintana*

Daniel S. Quintana, PhD is a researcher in biological psychiatry at the University of Oslo. His research interests include social behavior, the oxytocin system, heart rate variability, autism spectrum disorder, and meta-analysis. He currently leads a project investigating the role of the oxytocin system in the development of severe mental illness and metabolic disorder, which is supported by an Excellence Project for Young Researchers grant from the Novo Nordisk Foundation. He is also a podcaster, co-hosting [Everything Hertz](#) and hosting the [Physiology and Behavior show](#). He is the author of “Twitter for Scientists” (<https://t4scientists.com/>).

### *Andrea Ruggeri*

Professor Andrea Ruggeri, PhD is Professor of Political Science and International Relations. He joined Brasenose College and the Department of Politics and International Relations at the University of Oxford in September 2014 and is director of the Centre for International Studies, Oxford. Previously, he was assistant professor of International Relations at the University of Amsterdam from 2010. His current research deals with political violence, civil wars, and peacekeeping. His broader research interests include collective political violence, state development, and comparative politics in Africa and Middle East. He is in the editorial board of *Journal of Peace Research*, *International Peacekeeping*, and *Quaderni di Scienza Politica*. He is member of the Peacekeeping Working group organised by the Folke Bernadotte Academy (Sweden) and a Research Fellow at the Michael Nicholson Centre for Conflict and Cooperation, University of Essex.