

Workshop on Conflict Dynamics

20 September – 21 September 2021

The convenors gratefully acknowledge continued support from Nuffield College, the Centre for International Studies (University of Oxford), and the University of Mannheim that helps make the workshop series possible.



DPiR CENTRE FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDIES



Please note that all times are **UTC +1 (UK time)**. You may contact the organisers if you have any questions (conflictdynamicsworkshop@gmail.com). We will be using [Zoom for most parts of the workshop](#).

Programme Summary

(Detailed programme below)

Monday 20 September				
Time (UTC +1)	Virtual Lecture Theatre	Virtual Clay Room	Virtual Butler Room	Virtual Conference Room
9:00 - 9:15	Another workshop in times of Covid - Welcome and organizational remarks			
9:15 - 10:45		<i>Discussant: Roman Krtsch</i> Markus Geray <i>Discussant: Gerlinde Theunissen</i> Siddhant Marur	<i>Discussant: Ismene Gizelis</i> Susanne Schaftenaar <i>Discussant: Anette Stimmer</i> Anna Chirniciuc	<i>Discussant: Anita Gohdes</i> Rebecca Strauch <i>Discussant: Felix Olsowski</i> Elena Leuschner
10:45 - 11:00	Coffee break			
11:00 - 12:30		<i>Discussant: Jessica di Salvatore</i> Jenniina Kotajoki Nadine O'Shea	<i>Discussant: Eline Drury Løvlien</i> Jemima Ackah-Arthur	<i>Discussant: Karina Mross</i> Dilan Gunes Jessica Anania
12:30 - 14:00	Lunch break			
14:00 - 15:00	Best practices talk with Anastasia Shesterinina: Creating transparency in research			
15:00 - 15:15	Coffee break			
15:15 - 16:45		<i>Discussant: Kate Cronin-Furman</i> Charlotte Fiedler Sam Ritholtz	<i>Discussant: Megan Stewart</i> Sukayna Khan Andrea Novellis	<i>Discussant: Anastasia Shesterinina</i> Juliana Tappe Ortiz Ciara Aucoin

Tuesday 21 September				
Time (UTC+1)	Virtual Lecture Theatre	Virtual Clay Room	Virtual Butler Room	Virtual Conference Room
10:15 - 11:45		<i>Discussant: Christopher Barrie</i> Dino Krause <i>Discussant: Roman Krtsch</i> Karin Johansson	<i>Discussant: Andrea Ruggeri</i> Tiina Hyypä Jennifer Hodge	<i>Discussant: Julian Wucherpfennig</i> Jürgen Brandsch Nihad Aboud
11:45 - 13:15	Lunch break			
13:15 - 14:45	Talk including Q&A: Mental health for academics with Olga Vvedenskaya (Dragonfly Mental Health)			
14:45 - 15:00	Coffee break			
15:00 - 16:30		<i>Discussant: Anouk Rigterink</i> Blair Welsh Mariana Carvalho	<i>Discussant: Andreu Casas</i> Rob Williams <i>Discussant: Timothy Williams</i> Caleb Wafula	<i>Discussant: Charlotte Fiedler</i> Jamie Shenk <i>Discussant: John Gledhill</i> Silvia Danielak
16:30 - 17:30	Pass it on			
17:30	Drinks reception			

We use [“Wonder”](#) (former “Yotribe”) to host “Pass it on”. 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 20 September

9:00 – 9:15 Another workshop in times of Covid -

Welcome and organizational remarks

Virtual Lecture Theatre

Evgenija Kröker

Nicholas Barker

Anna-Lena Hönig

9:15 – 10:45

Virtual Clay Room

Discussant: Roman Krtsch

Markus Geray: It's political authority, stupid! On armed actors' rationales and the instrumental value of roadblocks

Discussant: Gerlinde Theunissen

Siddhant Marur: ICT in an insurgency: The case of Kashmir

Virtual Butler Room

Discussant: Ismene Gizelis

Susanne Schaftenaar: Gender equality and armed conflict: A prediction study

Discussant: Anette Stimmer

Anna Chirniciuc: Developing and deploying a quantitative framework for the analysis of rhetoric within the UN Security Council, 1995-2019

Virtual Conference Room

Discussant: Anita Gohdes

Rebecca Strauch: Responsiveness to digital state repression: How Internet outages shape government evaluation in Africa

Discussant Felix Olsowski

Elena Leuschner: How do state concessions affect protest dynamics in authoritarian regimes?

11:00 – 12:30

Virtual Clay Room

Discussant: Jessica di Salvatore

Jenniina Kotajoki: It's a state's world – Legitimate rebels and UNSC responses to conflicts

Nadine O'Shea: Denouncing rebel violence: Do 'naming and shaming' activities reduce civilian victimization by rebels?

Virtual Butler Room

Discussant: Eline Drury Løvlien

Jemima Ackah-Arthur: The failure of partisan alignment: State responses to terror incidents in Nigeria

Virtual Conference Room

Discussant: Karina Mross

Dilan Gunes: The implementation of transitional justice does not attract foreign direct investment to post-conflict countries

Jessica Anania: Gender and truth: When do truth commissions address gender-based violence?

14:00 – 15:00 Best practices talk: Creating transparency in research

Virtual Lecture Theatre

Anastasia Shesterinina

15:15 – 16:45

Virtual Clay Room

Discussant: Kate Cronin-Furman

Charlotte Fiedler and Karina Mross: Local elections and societal peace in post-conflict Nepal

Sam Ritholtz: Civil war & the politics of difference

Virtual Butler Room

Discussant: Megan Stewart

Sukayna Khan: How to lose friends & alienate people: Conflict & cooperation between armed groups in Yemen

Andrea Novellis: Ruling with minorities: rebel governance and wartime power-sharing institutions

Virtual Conference Room

Discussant: Anastasia Shesterinina

Juliana Tappe Ortiz: Military men – Leaders who sign peace agreements in civil wars

Ciara Aucoin: Conflict legacy and constraints on police use of force

Tuesday 21 September

10:15 – 11:45

Virtual Clay Room

Discussant: Christopher Barrie

Dino Krause: How transnational is transnational? Exploring the availability of jihadist affiliate groups for conflict resolution

Discussant: Roman Krtsch

Karin Johansson: Open to change? Examining the susceptibility of states to reduce CRSV following domestic and international pressure

Virtual Butler Room

Discussant: Andrea Ruggeri

Tiina Hyyppä: Civil governance in protracted conflicts: Local councils in Syria

Jennifer Hodge: Civilian agency during conflict: introducing the peace communities dataset

Virtual Conference Room

Discussant: Julian Wucherpfennig

Jürgen Brandsch and Phillip Nelson: Small arms and violence by pro-government militias

Nihad Aboud: The globalization of national struggles: Why do some locally oriented Islamist militants affiliate with transnational groups?

13:15 – 14:45 Talk: Mental health for academics

Virtual Lecture Theatre

Olga Vvedenskaya

15:00 – 16:30

Virtual Clay Room

Discussant: Anouk Rigterink

Blair Welsh: Your space or mine? Competition, control, and the spatial profile of militant violence against civilians

Mariana Carvalho: The political economy of assassinations

Virtual Butler Room

Discussant: Andreu Casas

Rob Williams: They're still there, he's all gone: American fatalities in foreign wars and right-wing radicalization at home

Discussant: Timothy Williams

Caleb Wafula: Digital photography for peace building: Evidence from Kenya's Kibera slums

Virtual Conference Room

Discussant: Charlotte Fiedler

Jamie Shenk: Allies to some, gatekeepers to all: NGO and community relations in post-conflict participation, evidence from Colombia

Discussant: John Gledhill

Silvia Danielak: Infrastructure building, peace planning: Insights from the early days of UNFICYP

16:30 – 17:30 Pass it on

Senior Common Room

Topic	Experts
<i>Doing mixed methods research</i>	Jamie Shenk, Anna-Lena Hönig
<i>Applying for a grant</i>	Jennifer Hodge, Marina Carvalho
<i>Planning your postdoc</i>	Eline Drury Løvlien, Elisabeth Rosvold
<i>Planning a research stay</i>	Dino Krause, Sukayna Khan
<i>Outside academia perspective</i>	Caleb Wafula, Jürgen Brandsch
<i>Consultant work</i>	Jessica Anania, Samantha Ruppelt

17:30 Drinks reception

Senior Common Room

Speaker Biographies

Anastasia Shesterinina

Anastasia Shesterinina is a Lecturer in the Department of Politics and International Relations at the University of Sheffield, where she holds a £1.2m UK Research and Innovation Future Leaders Fellowship and directs the Centre for the Comparative Study of Civil War established as part of this Fellowship. Previously, she was a Canada Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council Postdoctoral Fellow at Yale University, affiliated with the Program on Order, Conflict, and Violence at the Whitney and Betty MacMillan Center for International and Area Studies. She holds a Ph.D. in Political Science from the University of British Columbia.

She has been actively involved in the debates on transparency in Political Science and has written on transparency in sensitive qualitative research with human participants (<https://anastasiashesterinina.com>).

Olga Vvedenskaya

Olga Vvedenskaya is a Postdoc working on translational medicine and mass spectrometry at the Max Planck Institute of Molecular Cell Biology and Genetics in Dresden, Germany. She was born in Moscow, Russia, where she studied medicine specializing in medical biophysics and worked on her MD thesis devoted to traumatic brain injury and mass spectrometry in the University of Pittsburgh, USA. She further did her PhD in Berlin, Germany working on multiomics approach to research liver cancer and pre-cancerous conditions. In addition to her main job as a researcher, Olga devotes her spare time to academic mental health advocacy as a member of the Dragon Fly Initiative (<https://dragonflymentalhealth.org>).