Dear GIGA Doctoral Students,

our Summer Term Programme is about to start at the end of this month with a seminar on “Qualitative Interviews.” We hope that you have registered for all the courses you are interested in (if not please do so asap!) and are looking forward to the individual seminars.

In the meantime, we have finished the interviews with prospective doctoral students and completed the selection process. We have decided on who will be offered a place as a fellow in the DP and are excited to see who will join the programme in October.

We have also found a new date for this year’s Graduation Reception. It will take place on 30 May and we hope that many of you will join us to celebrate with our graduates!

Best wishes,
Maren

P.S. Are you going on a conference trip or research stay? Did you come across an interesting job announcement or summer school? This newsletter lives on your input – just send an email to maren.wagner@giga-hamburg.de.

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News

Graduation Reception – New date!

We have found a new date for this year’s Graduation Reception! It will take place on Tuesday, 30 May 2017 at 3pm. Please save the date. We hope that many of you can attend to celebrate with our graduates!

DP Jour Fixe

We have changed the regular time for the DP Jour Fixe to 2pm (every second Wednesday of the month). The next DP Jour Fixe will take place on 10 May 2017.

Who is where?

Ana Soliz has attended the Fifth Global International Studies Conference WISC in Taipei (1-3 April). She was discussant in two panels, one on “Pivots of security governance in Latin America” and the other on “Chinese responses to global challenges.”

Christian Ederer will participate in a methods seminar on “Qualitative methods and the Study of Civil War” at the Peace Research School in Oslo (24-28 April). The seminar gives an overview of qualitative methods such as process tracing, case study research and discourse analysis and explores the applications of these methods and mixed methods to the study of civil war.

Siri Völker is going to participate in the ECPR Joint Session in Nottingham (25-30 April) where she will present a paper on “Mechanisms of self-preservation: Explaining how the Afro-Brazilian movement maintains itself while allying with political parties.”

Lisa Bunselmeyer organized a panel on “Reconstruction, development or victim reparations in post-conflict Peru: Public policies revisited” and chairs a panel on “Retos y riesgos de la justicia transicional en el Perú post-conflicto: abriendo el diálogo desde las zonas rurales” at the XXXV International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association: “LASA2017 / Dialogues of Knowledge” in Lima (29 April - 1 May). She will present a paper titled “Repairing Citizen’s Rights: The Impact of the Peruvian Reparation Program from a Public Policy Perspective.”

Viviana García Pinzón will participate in the ISR Spring Academy “Investigating Space(s): Current Theoretical and Methodological Approaches: Temporality and Procedurality” (2-5 May) organized by the Leibniz Institute for Research on Society and Space (IRS). It will take place at the IRS in Erkner and at the TU Berlin.

External Courses and Lectures

6th GESIS Summer School in Survey Methodology

Every August since 2012, the GESIS Summer School in Survey Methodology takes place at GESIS, Cologne. The program of the 6th GESIS Summer School is online and registration is open. The Summer School 2017 will be held from August 3 to 25 at GESIS Cologne, Germany. 15 courses are scheduled, among them 4 short courses and 11 one-week courses.
37th GESIS Method Seminar

The GESIS Method Seminar will take place from 10th to 28th July in Cologne. It is aimed at graduate students in the social sciences and humanities as well as related fields. It consists of five courses, three in German, two in English – all are research based and teach practically relevant skills.

SID lecture series on development policy

The Society for International Development (SID) in Hamburg announced its lecture series 2017 on the effects and interdependencies of development policy. The lectures will take place from 4 April – 4 July 2017.

I am currently working on … Christoph Heuser

Hi everybody,

At the moment I am as a guest researcher in the department of crime and security at the PUCP in Lima.

I am working primarily on the empirical chapter of my dissertation analysing the effects of illicit economies in cocalero regions of Peru. That includes field visits and writing periods in Lima. Last week I left Lima for a couple of days to present at the MPSA in Chicago.

The stay in Lima was so far really exciting since it gave me the opportunity to discuss and present preliminary research results during a lecture at the school of governance in the PUCP, at the national anti-drug agency, with different state security actors or simply over lunch. There is an ongoing debate on drug policy in Peru even if progress is being made really (really) slowly. Now I am looking forward to going back into the coca regions.

As you probably have seen, Peru was hit by a natural disaster in the last couple of weeks. Heavy rains resulted in catastrophic landslides leaving many regions destroyed and people homeless. Lima was partially affected but in particular the northern coast suffers under severe damages. The natural disaster brought horrific image, also families of friends of mine were affected. But it also showed huge solidarity of the Peruvian society. If you would like to help check out for example www.caritas.org.pe or www.unasolafuerza.pe where you can find bank details for donations.

At the end of April begins the LASA conference in Lima. I am looking forward to seeing many of you there.

Cheers,

Christoph

Course Programme WiSo Graduate School UHH

You can still register for some of the courses of the course programme offers by the WiSo Graduate School, UHH. You can find the programme online.

PIASTA Summer Programme

The PIASTA team of the department of international affairs at the University of Hamburg announced its programme for doctoral students for this summer term. It offers seminars and workshops as well as cultural events and leisure activities.
Do you know … our Visiting Doctoral Researcher

Dear colleagues,

My name is Rafael Mesquita. I am a Brazilian journalist, currently doing a PhD in Political Science in the Federal University of Pernambuco (UFPE) in Brazil. I am here at the GIGA until September as a Visiting Doctoral Student, under the supervision of Prof. Detlef Nolte, as a member of ILAS, RP4 and RT1.

My thesis is about regional leadership in a comparative perspective. I intend to compare the foreign policies and regional strategies of three regional powers (Brazil, South Africa and Turkey) over the years so as to assess how central their own regions have been in their foreign policies, what actions have they undertaken to assert a leadership role, and how successful they have been in securing that status. As the comparison involves several regions, GIGA seemed the right place to undertake this research! Work has been motivating this first month, so I believe this will be an interesting semester!

Other topics I have also written about include journalism, discourse analysis, content analysis, and identity. As a journalist, I’ve also worked with PR for NGOs in Recife, my home city.

Apart from that, my hobbies include photography and filmmaking.

Cheers,
Rafael

Jobs and Career Opportunities

- **Postdoctoral Research Associate, Global Environmental Policy and Governance Analysis**
  Leuphana University Lüneburg
  Deadline: 1 May 2017

- **LSE Fellow in Political Theory**
  London School of Economics and Political Science
  Deadline: 28 April 2017

- **Lecturer (Teaching & Research) in Politics/IR (up to 5 posts)**
  University of Liverpool
  Deadline: 12 May 2017

- **Postdoctoral research Fellow – Enslavement, Marriage and Conflict in Africa**
  University of Witwatersrand
  Deadline: 15 May 2017

- **Early Career Development Fellowship in Economics**
  University of Oxford
  Deadline: 8 May 2017

- **Junior/Senior Research Fellows – Conflict Dynamics, Migration and Stability and Change of Political Regimes**
  Centre for East European and International Studies, Berlin
  Deadline: 23 April 2017

- **Lecturer in Development Politics**
  University College London
  Deadline: 5 May 2017

- **Postdoc Position – Security Studies**
  Metropolitan University Prague
  Deadline: 1 August 2017
Postdoctoral Research Fellow – Political Economy, East Asia
University of Trier
Deadline: 5 May 2017

Postdoctoral Research Fellow – Comparative Government
University of Trier
Deadline: 30 April 2017

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