Dear GIGA doctoral students,

the Summer Term Programme is over and again we had five seminars on different research designs and methods taught by experts in their field which were appealing not only to our own doctoral students and researchers but also to students from Hamburg University, the HSU and the universities in Göttingen and Kiel. The Winter Term Programme is already online – feel invited to take a look – and we will inform you in late summer on the registration modalities.

Within the newsletter a new section has been introduced by the current student representatives. Under the headline “We are currently working on...your student representatives” they will each month inform you about their activities.

Besides this again two of our new doctoral students who started in April this year (Eduardo and Jan) will introduce themselves. And like always the newsletter is completed by the news section and a collection of job and funding possibilities.

Best wishes and have a good start into the summer,
Stephanie

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 – therefore just send a short e-mail to: garling@giga-hamburg.de
News

Course on „Research Designs for Causal Inference in Social Sciences“

The course will take place at the University of Southern Denmark in Esbjerg from 11-13 August 2014 and is especially designed for doctoral students interested in experimental research. It is free of charge.

http://phdcourses.dk/Course/30908

Defenses of Markus Fraundorfer and Miriam Seemann

On 2 July Miriam Seemann and on 9 July Markus Fraundorfer will have their disputationes at the University of Hamburg. Good luck to both of you!

http://www.wiso.uni-hamburg.de/de/einrichtungen/graduate-school/startseite/

New publication by Jorge Garzón

Jorge Gazón would like to draw your attention on his newest peer-reviewed publication: Garzón, Jorge (2014): Hierarchical Regional Orders: An Analytical Framework. In: Journal of Policy Modeling, Vol. 36, Supplement 1; pp.: 26-46. The article can be downloaded free of charge here:


Who is where? (field research, conferences…)

On 11 June Ina Peters participated in the workshop: „Theorizing social movements: Challenges and contradictions in a contested field of Southern struggles and Northern theories“ in Bayreuth. The workshop dealt with the theoretical potentials and limits approaches carry when it comes to the empirical analysis of social movements and civil society in Africa. The workshop took place in the context of the conference of the Vereinigung für Afrikawissenschaften in Deutschland (VAD).

Lisa Bunselmeyer participated at the graduate student conference on comparative political science of the DVPW (Deutsche Vereinigung für Politische Wissenschaft) on June 20 at the University of Lüneburg.

Several doctoral students will be part of the ECPR graduate student conference in Innsbruck from 2 – 5 July:

- Anne Hoffmann and Lisa Bunselmeyer with a paper on “Democracy and Independency: Mirco-States in International Politics”
- Lisa Bunselmeyer with a paper on “Transitional Justice and Social Cohesion in Postwar Societies”
- Viola Lucas with a paper on “Dictators and Their Budget: Assessing the Revenue Structure in Two Dictatorships, Power and Rent Maximising Ones”
• Felix Haass with a paper on “The Political Economy of Power-Sharing, Foreign Aid and Post-Conflict Democratisation”

• Julia Strasheim chairing a panel on “Dismantling the Conflict Trap: The Prospect for a New Research Agenda”

We are currently working on...your student representatives

Last month, we were mostly dealing with two issues that kept many people at GIGA busy: the hearings for the GIGA presidency and lessons learned from the test evaluation. We tried to gather as much input from the doctoral students as possible – which you will have noticed due to the emails that we sent – and communicate your opinions in the relevant bodies. Moreover, we have dealt with the specific needs of doctoral students in field research (the result is soon to be seen in the wiki EGON) and are currently assembling a document with funding opportunities for doctoral students, dealing amongst other things with associates that started working in a project that does not cover the entire period of their doctoral studies, drawing on our vast experiences. If you have any input or you think that we should get involved with other issues, do not hesitate to contact us: stud.reps@giga-hamburg.de.

Best wishes, your student representatives

I’m currently working on...Eduardo Velosa

Hello everyone:

I am Eduardo and have just started the Doctoral Programme with a DAAD scholarship. I studied Political Science in Colombia and did a Masters in International Relations in Australia. Almost since I got back to Bogotá, I have been involved in academics and currently (although on leave) I am assistant professor at Javeriana University.

My research interests lie on a two-fold scheme within IR: Foreign Policy Analysis (from a theoretical perspective, mainly dealing with Constructivism and Role Theory) and in Asia-Pacific (from an area studies approach). Due to these interests, I am currently researching the influence of China on the regional roles of Colombia and Thailand, although I must admit that after just a month here within the DP, I am already reassessing my previous work and trying to find a new best way to tackle these issues. I guess that is part of the long (and relatively short at the same time) process anyways. I am part of ILAS, IAS and the RP4 and really enjoying these first steps in GIGA.

Hope to see you around,

Eduardo
I’m currently working on...Jan Bellgardt

Moin moin and hola,

I am Jan Bellgardt and my research, work and thinking is located somewhere in between the poles of Northern Germanys tranquil awe inspiring landscapes and the ‘tierras magicas’ of Latin America.

Or less pathetic: I am a first year associate of the GIGA DP, researching on Ecuador's alternative development concept – the Buen Vivir (good living) – and its internal institutional logic. The Buen Vivir as a political concept that came up in 2007 and changed Ecuador's political and economical system significantly and at least from a western development point of view yet successfully. In times were ‘developing’ countries seek for economical and political stability, and ‘developed’ countries set up to adjust there way of living in a sustainable way, the Buen Vivir might be an interesting development model.

Furthermore I am interested in Constitutional Economics, Peace and Security Studies, Political Psychology and Philosophy of Law. I have work experience as a Bundestag intern, navy officer, research associate and EU-project manager.

Living and working in Leipzig, I will be in Hamburg from time to time and hope to get in touch with you and talk about whats going on in the world.

Best wishes,
Jan

Jobs/Funding

Research Associate (65%), Global Governance, St. Gallen


Post-Doc, IR, Aachen

http://www.unibw.de/ib-sektion/aktuelles/stellenangebote/stelle_aachen

Sachbearbeiter/in Corporate Security Daimler, Stuttgart

http://career.daimler.com/dhr/job.php?i=1&jid=127021

Research Associate, Food Security and Food Justice, Sheffield

http://www.sheffield.ac.uk/jobs/

Teaching Fellow, Birmingham

http://www.download.bham.ac.uk/vacancies/jd/50279.pdf

Post-Doc Comparative Politics, Warsaw

http://www.jobs.ac.uk/job/AIY075/post-doctoral-research-fellowships/
Post-Doc, Helsinki

Research Associate, Comparative study of environment policy, Heidelberg
http://www.hce.uni-heidelberg.de/md/hce/hce-projekt_tosun_et_al_ausschreibung.pdf

Research Associate, China, Essen
www.merics.org/team/offene-stellen/ausschreibung-research-associate.html

Female Post-Doc, Bremen
http://www.uni-bremen.de/exzellent/talente-foerdern/m8-post-doc-initiative.html

Lecturers/Associate Professors Political Science, Jerusalem
http://www.jobs.ac.uk/job/AIZ236/lecturer-senior-lecturer-assistant-professor-associate-professor-in-political-science/

Research Associate (65%), International Environment Policies, Berlin
http://www.fu-berlin.de/service/stellen/st_2014/st_20140616.html

Post-Doc, Political Science, Antwerp

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