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Global Challenges – Regional Perspectives

Our Evaluation Results: A Milestone in the GIGA’s Development
Since July 9, 2008 it’s been official: “The GIGA is a leading national facility for area studies” and “generates good to very good, and at times excellent, achievements in research, service and political consultation”. This was the Leibniz Association’s finding following its evaluation of the GIGA in 2007. The report further stated that the GIGA is clearly on the way to becoming a cutting-edge international institute for area studies.

The extremely positive evaluation result has had a decisive impact on the institute’s future: The senate of the Leibniz Association recommended that the GIGA’s funders continue to support the institute in the next seven years and that they “reverse recent cutbacks in core funding and, furthermore, provide for additional funding”. Thus, for the leadership and staff of the GIGA, the content-oriented and institutional reform efforts of recent years have paid off. The GIGA will therefore continue on its current course of excellent research and academically based political consultation.

In addition, the GIGA has already begun to put the recommendations from the evaluation report into action. These include, among other things, the further specialisation of the research profile. In close coordination with the Academic Advisory Board, the Research Council (composed of GIGA’s president, directors, research programme leaders and research management) initiated the reorganisation and thematic refinement of the research areas at the end of 2008. As of 2009, these changes are now reflected in the institute’s practical research work.

The GIGA’s vision of itself nevertheless remains unchanged: The institute is the largest German research facility – and one of the largest in Europe – for the examination of political, economic and social conditions and developments in Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Middle East. At the same time, the GIGA views itself as an independent think tank impacting and serving the political, economic and social spheres with its analyses.

Academic Achievements
Alongside the results of the evaluation, the GIGA also achieved a series of additional successes in 2008. The increased quality of our research was made evident by the growing number of publications in internationally renowned and peer-reviewed specialist journals and anthologies. In addition, the GIGA’s receipt of funds for several new third-party funded projects, all of which involved competitive application processes, provided proof of the institute’s academic performance. The Institute of African Affairs (IAA) was particularly successful, receiving funding for two projects: “Causes of hybrid regimes in sub-Saharan Africa – a systematic comparison” (German Research Foundation (DFG)) and “The consequences of the structural militarisation of Eritrean society after the war with Ethiopia” (Fritz Thyssen Foundation).

The GIGA plays a central coordinating function within the relevant networks for both area and comparative studies. In 2008 the institute put on several conferences and took on important responsibilities.
in major networks. The participation of prominent academics such as Adam Przeworski in the New Frontiers on Institutional Research in Latin America symposium (May 5–6) demonstrates the high regard which GIGA enjoys in the international academic community. The Ideas, Resources and Strategies of Regional Powers conference (September 15–16), held within the framework of the Regional Powers Network, brought leading international relations researchers from five continents to Hamburg. A new networking instrument implemented by the GIGA in 2008 was the signing of formal cooperation agreements with selected partner institutions in Europe and the study regions. By the end of 2008 the institute had signed seven such agreements.

Research at the GIGA (2008)
In the area of publications, 2008 was a year of positive development. The GIGA’s publication activities continued to focus on 1) the journals of the GIGA Journal Family; 2) academic articles in external specialist journals and the GIGA working papers; 3) the five GIGA Focus series; and 4) collaborative projects in the publication of monographs, anthologies and periodicals.

**GIGA Journal Family**


Following in-depth analysis, the GIGA initiated numerous, and in many cases far-reaching, reforms in order to make the journal family more competitive and future-oriented before the transformation of the individual periodicals into Open Access journals (see box) at the beginning of 2009. In the case of Japan aktuell, the GIGA saw no possibility of achieving sustainable competitiveness in this respect. The journal was discontinued as of the last issue of 2008. Lateinamerika Analysen has been replaced as of 2009 with a newly designed journal: *Journal of Politics in Latin America (JPLA)*. At a high-profile kick-off conference from May 5 to May 6 (New Frontiers on Institutional Research in Latin America symposium, supported by the Fritz Thyssen Foundation), leading international scholars on Latin America were recruited to the JPLA editorial board, including the world-renowned political scientist Adam Przeworski (New York University). For Afrika Spectrum, China aktuell and Südostasien aktuell, minor name changes were decided upon in order to support the internationalisation process: *Africa Spectrum*, *Journal of Current Chinese Affairs – China aktuell*, and *Journal of Current Southeast Asian Affairs*.

**Global Visibility for the GIGA Journal Family with Open Access**

As part of a pilot project supported by the German Research Foundation, the GIGA Journal Family has now been transformed into four Open Access journals, with online editions complementing the ongoing publication of the print versions. Through this process, the GIGA has taken on a pioneering role in Open Access publishing in the social sciences.

In cooperation with Hamburg University Press, the GIGA is publishing the journals on the GIGA Journal Family portal as of the first 2009 issue of each journal. This collaboration guarantees the inclusion of the GIGA Journal Family as a high-quality series of publications in all of the recognized academic and library search engines. This will make possible worldwide visibility and unrestricted global access. The journals’ internal quality-control standards will be consistently applied and further developed, independent of the publication format. The journals are forums for first publication. The distribution and duplication of articles is permitted under the condition that the author and the initial source are cited and the integrity of the text is maintained. The GIGA is thus positioning itself globally, something which enables much closer exchange and dialogue with academic communities in the areas under study and thereby fosters the enrichment of comparative area studies.
Academic Articles

The GIGA's paramount goal is the publication of its research results in national and, especially, international peer-reviewed specialist journals. The GIGA Working Papers series serves as a preliminary step for such external publications. The GIGA utilises an internal review process for the series and since 2008 has improved the linguistic and stylistic quality of the texts through professional native-speaker editing.

The following articles from GIGA academics were published in external journals in the reporting year (numerous others were accepted for publication):


GIGA Focus

In contrast to the refereed journal articles and the GIGA Working Papers, the five GIGA Focus sub-series (Global, Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Middle East) are intended for a broader readership, first and foremost readers in politics, economics and the media. The download statistics, reprint requests, and reactions to the content demonstrate that the GIGA Focus has achieved a high level of notoriety and is highly valued by its readers. The GIGA Focus succeeds at picking up new events and developments and interconnecting these with sound research-based analyses.

• **Hoffmann, B.** : Bringing Hirschman Back In: Conceptualizing Transnational Migration as a Reconfiguration of “Exit”, “Voice”, and “Loyalty”, 91.

• **Mückenberger, U.** : Civilising Globalism: Transnational Norm-Building Networks — A Research Programme, 90.

• **Beck, M.** : Regional Politics in a Highly Fragmented Region: Israel’s Middle East Policies, No 89.


• **Mehler, A.** : Breaking the “Insecurity Trap”? How Violence and Counter-violence are Perpetuated in Elite Power Struggles, 87.


• **Brach, J.** : Constraints to Economic Development and Growth in the Middle East and North Africa, 85.


• **Mehler, A.** : Not Always in the People’s Interest: Power-sharing Arrangements in African Peace Agreements, 83.

• **Kohnert, D.** : EU-African Economic Relations: Continuing Dominance Traded for Aid?, 82.


• **Destradi, S.** : Empire, Hegemony, and Leadership: Developing a Research Framework for the Study of Regional Powers, 79.


• **Prys, M.** : Developing a Contextually Relevant Concept of Regional Hegemony: The Case of South Africa, Zimbabwe, and “Quiet Diplomacy”, 77.

• **Oettler, A.** : Do Qualitative Data Help in Addressing Central American Violence? Research Note on Data Collection, 76.


• **Kern, T./Nam, S.** : Social Movements as Agents of Innovation: Citizen Journalism in South Korea, 73.


• **Zeino-Mahmalat, E.** : Gain Seeking in a “Double Security Dilemma”: The Case of OPEC, 71.

• **Basedau, M./De Juan, A.** : The ‘Ambivalence of the Sacred’ in Africa: The Impact of Religion on Peace and Conflict in Sub-Saharan Africa, 70.


• **Nabers, D.** : China, Japan and the Quest for Leadership in East Asia, 67.

### Third-party Funded Projects, 2008

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<td>BIOTA: Sustainable Use of Biodiversity for Rural Livelihoods: Economic Development in Times of Climate Change</td>
<td>2007-10</td>
<td>R. Kappel</td>
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<td>Conflict Management through Institutional Engineering, Ethnic Party Bans and Party Regulation in Africa</td>
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<td>The Influence of Political Parties and Civil Society on the Social Policies of Indian States</td>
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<td>Determinants of Demand for Microinsurance in Ghana</td>
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<td>The Consequences of the Structural Militarisation of Eritrean Society after the War with Ethiopia: “De-civilisation“ and Anomie?</td>
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<td>Ethical Governance of Biological and Biomedical Research: Chinese European Cooperation</td>
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<td>Sub-Saharan Migrants in the “Transit Cities” of the Sahel: From a Logic of Survival to a Logic of Success</td>
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Cooperation
In 2008 the GIGA continued to participate actively in the work of regional and academic associations such as the European Consortium for Political Research, the Africa-Europe Group for Interdisciplinary Studies, the Asia Alliance, the Latin American Studies Association and the Euro-Mediterranean Study Commission. Through the signing of formal cooperation agreements, the GIGA was also able to initiate joint work with leading post-secondary institutions and think tanks in Europe and in the study regions.

To date, partnership agreements have been formalised with the following institutions:
- Al-Ahram Center for Political and Strategic Studies (ACPSS), Cairo
- Facultad Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales (FLACSO-Chile), Santiago de Chile
- Fundación para las Relaciones Internacionales y el Diálogo Exterior (FRIDE), Madrid
- Pontificia Universidad Católica Chile (PUC-Chile), Santiago de Chile
- Pontificia Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro (PUC-Rio)
- University of Leeds
- University of Sheffield
- Universidad Torcuato de Tella (UTDT), Buenos Aires

The GIGA has also established cooperation with additional universities and research facilities:
- Fundação Getulio Vargas (Rio de Janeiro)
- Institut d’Études Politiques de Paris (Sciences Po)
- Stellenbosch Institute for Advanced Studies (STIAS)
- University of Bergen
- Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi
- University of Copenhagen
- University of Oxford
- University of Salamanca

Participation in International Conferences
The GIGA’s networking efforts were also strengthened through the participation of its academics in international conferences and symposia, including the following:
- Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association (APSA), Boston
- 2nd Conference of the World International Studies Committee (WISC), Ljubljana
- IV Congreso Latinoamericano de Ciencia Política der ALACIP, San José
- ECPR Joint Session of Workshops, Rennes
- International Studies Association (ISA), San Francisco
- 51st Congress of the African Studies Association, Chicago
- 4th Nordic Latin America Research Network (NO-LAN) Conference, Bergen

GIAG academics gave presentations or were involved in academic exchange as discussants or panel leaders at a total of 56 conferences in 2008.
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  (4 issues per year)

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