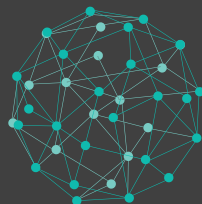


**10th Conference of the  
Italian Standing Group  
on International Relations**

# **International Politics Facing Technological and Social Upheavals**

**Trento | June 29-July 1, 2017**





# Program at a glance

## THURSDAY, 29<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

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**THURSDAY, 29<sup>TH</sup> JUNE****13.30 - 14.30 Registration***FBK Hall***14.30 - 15.00 Plenary Session**  
*Sala Grande* **Opening and Welcome***Filippo Andreatta*, Director of IP LAB*Fulvio Attinà*, Chair of the Standing Group - University of Catania*Vittorio Emanuele Parsi*, Chair of the Standing Group -  
Catholic University, Milan**15.00 - 16.00 Panel 2 | Session I**  
*Sala Grande* **South Korea and the Order in Transition in East Asia****US-Korea alliance in the Trump-Moon period.  
Uncertainty and mixed signals***Matteo Dian*, University of Bologna**North Korean nuclear strategy: the nature and the  
characteristics of an embryonic paradigm***Sergio Miracola*, IMT – LuccaChair: *Matteo Dian*, University of BolognaDiscussant: *Ted Hopf*, National University of Singapore

**15.00 - 16.00***Sala Piccola***Panel 3 | Session I****No time for Uncertainty. The European Defense and Security in the Time of Terror: Threats, Challenges and Opportunities****The EU in the Sahel: Assessing Strengths and Limits of the European Integrated Approach to Conflict***Edoardo Baldaro, Scuola Normale Superiore - Pisa***Migrant Rescuing as Organised Hypocrisy: EU Maritime Missions Offshore Libya Beyond Humanitarianism and Border Control***Eugenio Cusumano, Leiden University*Chair: *Giampiero Cama, University of Genova*Discussants: *Francesco N. Moro, University of Bologna**Fabrizio Coticchia, University of Genova***16.00 - 16.30***FBK Hall***Coffee Break****16.30- 17.30***Sala Grande***Panel 2 | Session II****South Korea and the Order in Transition in East Asia****Russia-South Korea relations in the context of Russia's Asian pivot***Anna Kireeva, MGIMO University***China and North Korea-The Past and Present of an Awkward Alliance***Axel Berkofsky, University of Pavia*Chair: *Matteo Dian, University of Bologna*Discussant: *Ted Hopf, National University of Singapore*

**16.30- 17.30**

*Sala Piccola*

**Panel 3 | Session II**

**No time for Uncertainty. The European Defense and Security in the Time of Terror: Threats, Challenges and Opportunities**

**Soft Power Revisited: How Attraction Works in International Relations**

*Artem Patalakh*, University of Milan Statale

**Nuclear Weapons in European and especially Italian Politics**

*Mirco Elena*, USPID

Chair: *Giampiero Cama*, University of Genova

Discussants: *Francesco N. Moro*, University of Bologna

*Fabrizio Coticchia*, University of Genova

**17.30 - 18.30**

*Sala Grande*

**Plenary Session**

**Keynote Speech**

**Are We Entering an Era of Nuclear Instability?**

*Steven Miller*, Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs

**18.30 - 20.00**

*FBK Hall*

**Welcome Reception**

## FRIDAY, 30<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

- 8.00 - 9.00**      **Transfer to Eurac Research**  
**Bus from Piazza Dante (Via Alfieri side)**
- 9.00 - 10.30**      **IP LAB & Eurac Research Joint Workshop “Institutional Solutions to Conflict” - Session I**  
*Eurach Research*      **Federalism and Power Sharing as Conflict-Resolution**
- Ownership, territory and ethnic federalism**  
*Francesco Palermo, Eurac Research - Bolzano/Bozen*
- Judicial conflict-resolution and reflective judiciary**  
*Jens Woelk, University of Trento and Eurac Research*
- Myanmar. Case study and practical experiences**  
*Elisabeth Alber, Eurac Research - Bolzano/Bozen*
- 10.30 - 11.00**      **Coffee Break**  
*Eurach Research*
- 11.00 - 12.30**      **IP LAB & Eurac Research Joint Workshop “Institutional Solutions to Conflict” - Session II**  
*Eurach Research*      **The Changing Politics of External Intervention**
- Third Party Preferences and Conflict Management**  
*Emanuele Castelli, University of Parma*
- From macro to micro? How institutional solutions are becoming individual (and local) ones**  
*Francesco N. Moro, University of Bologna*
- Third Party Intervention and Strategic Militarization**  
*Massimo Morelli, Bocconi University Milan*
- Should outsiders promote democracy in divided societies after genocide?**  
*Stefano Recchia, University of Cambridge*

**12.30 - 14.00 Lunch**

*Eurach Research*

**14.00 - 15.30 Transfer to Trento**

**15.30 - 17.30 Panel 1 - session I**

*Sala Grande*

**National and transnational actors reshaping (in)security dynamics across MENA and the Sahara-Sahel**

**A dangerous method: the failed inclusion of transnational actors in the Malian governance**

*Edoardo Balduino, Scuola Normale Superiore - Pisa*

**Escalating complexity in regional conflicts.**

**The case study of Mali**

*Elena Dal Santo, University of Genoa*

**The Sea as Humanitarian Space. Non-Governmental Search and Rescue Dilemmas on the Central Mediterranean Migratory Route**

*Eugenio Cusumano, Leiden University*

Chair: *Ruth Hanau Santini, University of Naples "L'Orientale"*

Discussants: *Jakub Grygiel, Center for European Policy*

*Analysis - Washington DC*

*Pascal Vennesson, RSIS, Nanyang Technological*

*University - Singapore*



**15.30 - 17.30**

*Sala Piccola*

**Panel 4**

**L'importanza dei classici delle relazioni internazionali**

**Genealogia dell'ordine e della sua crisi. Carl Schmitt e la parabola dell'ordinamento politico-giuridico moderno**

*Alessandro Colombo, University of Milan Statale*

**Potere e declino**

*Marco Clementi, University of Pavia*

**Vattel's *Droit des Gens* and the International**

*Richard Devetak, University of Queensland*

Chairs: *Michele Chiaruzzi, University of Bologna*

*Lorenzo Zambernardi, University of Bologna*

**19.00 - 20.00**

*Forsterbräu*

**Pre-dinner Drink**

**20.00**

*Forsterbräu*

**Social Dinner**

## SATURDAY, 1<sup>ST</sup> JULY

**9.00 - 10.00**

*Sala Grande*

**Panel 1 - session II**

**National and transnational actors reshaping (in)security dynamics across MENA and the Sahara-Sahel**

**Civil Wars and International Conflict Revisited: Insights from the Southern Theater of the 2011-16 Syrian Uprising**

*Fred Lawson*, Mills College

**The Conflict That Affects Everybody. A Complex Networks Analysis of the Middle East Struggle**

*Suhaib Ali*, University of Pisa

Chair and Discussant: *Ruth Hanau Santini*, University of Naples "L'Orientale"

**10.00 - 10.30**

*FBK Hall*

**Coffee break**

**10.30 - 12.00**

*Sala Grande*

**Panel 5**

**Writing Histories of the International: intellectual and political transformations**

**Taking History Seriously in IR: Towards a Historicist Approach**

*Lorenzo Cello*, University of Queensland

**Towards a Global IR? Uncovering Agency, Spatiality and Language in Writing Histories of the International**

*Maja Spanu*, University of Cambridge

**Towards an Ethos of Historical International Relations**

*Benjamin de Carvalho*, Norwegian Institute of International Affairs

Chair and Discussant: *Richard Devetak*, University of Queensland

**12.00 - 13.00** **Plenary Session**  
*Sala Grande* **SGRI General Conference**

**13.00 - 15.00** **Lunch**  
*FBK Hall*

**15.00 - 15.30** **Plenary Session**  
*Sala Grande* **Concluding Remarks**

*Filippo Andreatta*, Director of IP LAB

*Fulvio Attinà*, Chair of the Standing Group - University of Catania

*Vittorio Emanuele Parsi*, Chair of the Standing Group -  
Catholic University, Milan

**PANEL 1**

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June  
Saturday 1st, 2017  
Sala Grande

## National and transnational actors reshaping (in)security dynamics across MENA and the Sahara-Sahel

**CHAIR**

*Ruth Hanau Santini*  
University of Naples  
"L'Orientale"

**DISCUSSANTS**

*Jakub Grygiel*  
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University - Singapore

This panel offers a number of historically rich and theoretically informed reflections on how in different Arab and African countries security and insecurity dynamics have proceeded in counter-intuitive ways. From cases where, as in Mali, the role of external actors supposedly contributing to the country's security and political stabilization has reinforced fragmentation of authority, to cases, as Hizbullah in Syria, where an external non-state actor has entered a conflict for domestic reasons ending up reinforcing both the foreign regime in power as well as its provenance state. This panel, across several examples, re-locates agency within the

army and other security forces or armed groups, providing more nuanced and critical accounts of Arab and African states beyond crystallized and structural readings.

This focus is warranted not just at an empirical level, given the pivotal role these actors have played since 2011, but on an analytical level too: state security forces are the symbolic and factual repositories of statehood as they embody the state to its population on a daily basis, and any fragmentation, successful interference in their operations or delegation of political violence to other bodies forces us to rethink the usefulness of classic weberian conceptions of authority.

Namely, the panel aims to offer new insights deriving from both Arab and African countries enabling to further problematize the literature on statehood and sovereignty, even in a key issue area as security governance. We take issue on the one hand with a idealized Westphalian state, with distinct boundaries and borders' inviolability, something increasingly violated across

the globe and in various ways in the MENA-Sahara-Sahel region, and on the other with a Weberian-induced expectation of the monopoly over the threat or use of violence by the state and its ability to autonomously carry out security-related tasks.

We will, across the different papers, in particular emphasize the insecurity dynamics from the domestic to the regional level, and viceversa, and the intermingling between state and non-state actors, be they national or transnational, within a critically revised Principal-Agent framework.

Most papers will illustrate a dynamic of insecuritisation, be it intentional or an unintentional consequence, both from the local to the regional level and from outside to inside, capitalising on the state's far from perfectly Weberian control of the territory.

**PANEL 2**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Sala Grande

**South Korea and the Order in Transition in East Asia****CHAIR****Matteo Dian**

University of Bologna

**DISCUSSANT****Ted Hopf**National University of  
Singapore

Contemporary South Korea is a middle power navigating through the dangerous waters of an order transition, determined by a reconfiguration of power and authority between the main great powers of the region. Key elements of this process are the rise of China and the US will to uphold its role of leadership in Asia.

The competition between US and China is the main but not the only relevant dynamic influencing contemporary Asia. Japan, Russia and ASEAN remain significant actors for the evolution of the regional order in Asia, under the political, institutional and normative point of view.

On the one hand, this increasing regional complexity generates a number of dilemmas as well as several opportunities for middle powers such as Korea. Seoul faces the constant need to adapt their foreign policy strategy and to find a equilibrium between China, a fundamental economic partners, but also a potential disruptor or the regional order, and its main security provider, the United States. On the other hand the realities of the order transition open a window of opportunity for middle powers to contribute with their own ideas and solutions in the realm of security, regionalism and economic development.

The panel welcomes both papers dealing with the Korean role in the region as well as papers dealing with the topic of order transition in East Asia.

## No time for Uncertainty. The European Defense and Security in the Time of Terror: Threats, Challenges and Opportunities

According to the European Union Global Strategy “terrorism, hybrid threats, economic volatility, climate change and energy insecurity” are significantly endangering Europe (EUGS, 2016). The EUGS emphasizes the need for an “appropriate level of ambition and strategic autonomy”, enhancing common efforts especially on cyber, counterterrorism, energy and strategic communications. In other words, Member States should “move towards defence cooperation as the norm”, providing a greater contribution to collective security, working closely with its allies and partners, such as NATO. The panel aims at collecting

empirical papers that, through different methodological perspectives, try and understand how current transformations (political, such as Brexit and Trump election but also technological, such as the “rise” of drones) are impacting traditional European and national security practices.

The panel explores how Member States, as well as the EU, have faced so far the above- mentioned challenges, examining in details the following key-areas: (a) shared assessments of internal and external threats (e.g., Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance, including the role of Remotely Piloted Aircraft Systems and satellite communications); (b) the evolution of digital capabilities to secure data, networks and critical infrastructure; (c) the transformation of (national and European) counter-terrorism; civil-military relations in operations; (d) the development of European procurement (especially regarding full- spectrum land, air, space and maritime capabilities); (e) the military doctrines at the national and regional level.

### PANEL 3

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Sala Piccola

#### CHAIR

*Giampiero Cama*  
University of Genova

#### DISCUSSANTS

*Francesco N. Moro*  
University of Bologna

*Fabrizio Coticchia*  
University of Genova

**PANEL 4**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2017

Sala Piccola

**CHAIRS*****Michele Chiaruzzi***

University of Bologna

***Lorenzo Zambernardi***

University of Bologna

**L'importanza dei classici  
delle relazioni internazionali**

Negli ultimi due decenni i teorici delle relazioni internazionali hanno mostrato un rinnovato interesse per la storia della disciplina e le opere di alcuni classici quali Tucidide, Machiavelli, Hobbes, Kant e di grandi autori contemporanei come Carr, Morgenthau, Martin Wight e altri ancora. Il panel si pone due obiettivi principali. Da un lato, indagare le ragioni intellettuali, politiche, epistemologiche e disciplinari di questo rinnovato interesse per i classici antichi e contemporanei delle relazioni internazionali e, dall'altro lato, contribuire con nuovi studi a questa letteratura crescente. Saranno, dunque, benvenute tutte quelle analisi che toccano una di queste due aree tematiche.



## Writing Histories of the International: intellectual and political transformations

For the last couple of decades at least, historical approaches have been gaining some traction in IR and international political theory. These approaches tend to emphasise the distinctiveness of social phenomena in history, assuming that many aspects of the past are significantly different from those of their own time. Thus they do away with any supra-historical vantage point from which to conduct research into the history of international political thought and they share the view that 'the international' – like 'the global' – exist in conjunction with our intellectual capacity to make them thinkable, analysable and, finally, actionable. Overall, this panel will discuss the ways in which the study of international relations benefits from a closer engagement with history methodologically, thematically and conceptually.

### PANEL 5

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2017

Sala Grande

### CHAIR & DISCUSSANT

*Richard Devetak*

*University of Queensland*



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# Organization



The SGRI Conference is organized by IP Lab - International Politics Laboratory. **IP Lab** is the new International Politics Laboratory jointly established by the **Bruno Kessler Foundation** and the **University of Trento**. It has the ambitions of developing and enriching the Italian network of scholars of international politics as well as becoming the main location for the specific study of war and peace in the country, networking with like-minded institutes, bridging different disciplines related to international affairs, and creating an effective synergy among research institutions, in order to consolidate research excellence in Trentino and to develop its international research network.

More specifically, **IP Lab aims at:**

- gathering Italian IR Scholars, in order to carry out joint research projects;
- stimulating cutting edge studies on the topic of international politics and conflict resolution;
- building international research networks for collaborative and competitive projects, developing and enriching the Italian community of scholars in the field.
- providing the Italian IR community with a point of reference to design, draft and carry out research projects on current IR issues (Conflict Resolution, Peace Studies, Diplomacy, International Cooperation etc.)

IP Lab's goal is twofold: on the one hand, it aims at maintaining the wide and strong network of relationships that has been created by the Exploratory Project on International Politics and Conflict Resolution, launched by FBK in 2012; on the other hand, it has the ambition of projecting outside Italy – with the common Trentino brand – the research work by Italian scholars involved in IPLab's activities.



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**Friday, 30th June, 2017**

**19.00 - 23.00**

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## PREVIOUS CONFERENCES

- IX 2016 Exploring Foreign and Security Policy in International Relations (Trento)
- VIII 2015 Disentangling Subsystem Dynamics. The Search for Peace and Cooperation (Trento)
- VII 2014 Security and Cooperation in a Changing International System (Trento)
- VI 2013 Regional Orders in the XXI Century (Trento)
- V 2012 International Relations' Theory 20 years after bipolarity (Trento)
- IV 2009 Politics, Economics and Strategy: Continuity and Change in the International System (Milan)
- III 2008 The Transformation of the International System after the End of the Cold War (Bertinoro)
- II 2007 The Lack of a Culture of Defense in Italy (Bologna)
- I 2004 Common Foreign and Security Policy and the role of the European Parliament (Parma)





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