International Politics Facing Technological and Social Upheavals
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THURSDAY, 29TH 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 – Lucca

Chair: Matteo Dian, University of Bologna
Discussant: Ted Hopf, National University of Singapore
Panel 3 | Session I

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

Coffee Break

Panel 2 | Session II

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
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

Plenary Session
Keynote Speech

Are We Entering an Era of Nuclear Instability?
Steven Miller, Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs

Welcome Reception
FRIDAY, 30TH 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  
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  
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 Baldaro, 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
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Social Dinner
SATURDAY, 1st JULY

9.00 - 10.00
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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
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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
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 vice versa, 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.
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.
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.
SGRI 2016 will take place at Fondazione Bruno Kessler - Humanities Hub.

**BY FOOT**

It takes less than 15 minutes to walk from the train station. Ask for via Santa Croce. Or ask for Centro Santa Chiara, a well known structure hosting an auditorium for cultural events.

**BY CAR**

You can’t park at our offices without special permission. Consider parking in the underground car park at Piazza Fiera. From the motorway, exit at TRENTO SUD or TRENTO NORD and head toward the center.

**BY BUS**

Trento has a very good transport system, with 17 city routes. All routes pass close to the train station, leaving every 15 to 30 minutes from about 5 a.m. to about 10 p.m. There are lots of buses that go to our head offices (President’s office, Religious Sciences, Historical Italian-German Studies, Cerpic and FBK’s humanities libraries). The most frequent are the 3 and 8, but any bus that stops at Piazza Fiera works. When you get off, walk in the opposite direction of the old city wall.
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.
Forsterbräu Trento

Since 1906 in the historic centre of Trento Forsterbrau is synonymous of quality and conviviality. In this restaurant, you can taste different plates of the Trento tradition and news and dishes cooked by our chefs. Their beer is another fundamental element of the restaurant. You can taste the best Forst types of beer such as the Vip Pils, the kronen or the Sixtus.

Friday, 30th June, 2017
19.00 - 23.00
Via Oss Mazzurana 38, Trento
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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)


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)