

**4th FES-SWP North-South Dialogue
Global Governance Challenges**

Security in a Globalized World

“Global ungovernance” or new strategies for peace and security?

Berlin

September 21 and 22, 2004

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THE FES-SWP NORTH-SOUTH DIALOGUE

The FES-SWP dialogue invites scholars from think tanks in industrialized and developing countries to discuss key global governance issues. The topics of the last two conferences held in Berlin have been climate change and international financial architecture.

The format is that of a working conference – aiming at engaging all participants in an open and constructive debate. The conference will be held in English and it is expected that a total of up to 60 participants will attend – among them scholars as well as parliamentarians, officials from relevant ministries, and representatives from NGOs. In addition, the dialogue includes a public panel discussion aiming at the broader political public in Berlin.

SECURITY POLICY: A NORTH-SOUTH ISSUE

The terrorist acts of September 11 do not constitute a new age, but can rather be understood as a dramatic result of security problems and global threats which have been developed throughout the 1990s. Among them are: failing and failed states, local and regional conflicts, transnational organized crime, international terrorism, the proliferation of small and light arms as well as of weapons of mass destruction and, linked to most issues, the increasing importance of violent non-state actors.

But while the countries of the North have been discussing “new threats from the South”, reconceptualizing security strategies, and even intervening on the ground, original security interests of the countries in the South like poverty reduction and development remained largely unconsidered. Often, the strategies of the North, such as the US National Security Strategy

(2002) or the EU Security Strategy (2003), are not consistent with perceptions in the regions concerned.

Not only the perceptions but also the answers how to counter these threats differ considerably. The dominant paradigm of the „war on terror“ seems to add in the long run more problems to the agenda than it solves in the short run: It may deepen North-South divides and thus undermine efforts to develop forms of global security governance; it may even emphasize the wrong priorities and the wrong means.

But also an – up to now – weak UN led multilateral security system or regional efforts do not create stability so far. Existing regimes and rules as well as international law do often not reflect the “new” threats or are unable to address them in an appropriate way. However: despite all the difficulties and setbacks experienced in recent years, there seems to be no practicable alternative to a security related “global governance”, based on a common understanding of the North and the South if pressing problems are to be brought to a reasonable solution.

DRAFT AGENDA

(Aug 25th 2004)

Monday, September 20

Arrival of Participants

20h00 Welcome Dinner for International Participants

Tuesday, September 21

- 09h00 **Welcome and Introduction to the North-South Dialogue**
- **Christoph Bertram** (Director, Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik, Berlin)
 - **Christiane Kesper** (Head of the Department for Development Policy, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung, Berlin)

09h30 **Session I**
Chair: Yu Xintian (President, Shanghai Institute for International Studies SIIS)

New Risks – Old Problems: Diverging or Converging Analyses of Security Threats?

Introductions

- A Perspective from the South
Adekeye Adebajo (Executive Director of the Centre for Conflict Resolution, Cape Town)
- A Perspective from the North
Martin Ortega (European Union Institute for Security Studies – EUISS, Paris)

Topics for discussion:

- What security problems do given regions/institutions regard as particularly pressing?
- How do they differ in their perception?
- Is there any agreement on a common understanding of the different perceptions – shared both by North and South as well as by the countries of the South?

10h45 Coffee break

11h15 Continuation of discussion

13h00 Lunch break

Tuesday, September 21 (cont.)

14h00 **Session II**
Chair: Lee Lai To (Head of the Department of Political Sciences, National University of Singapore)

Security Policy in the 21st Century – the Search for New Approaches

Introductions

- Human security: Global Governance at a time of terror
Mark Duffield (Department for Politics and International Relations, Lancaster University)
- “Armies without states”: The privatization of security and violence
Jakkie Cilliers (Institute for Security Studies, Pretoria)
- The “war on terror”: Consequences of a new paradigm
Ulrich Schneckener (Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik, Berlin)

Topics for discussion

- Who are the key actors involved in these approaches?
- In how far do these approaches address “new threats” in an appropriate way?
- How are existing security structures and instruments in countries of the South assessed?

15h30 Coffee break

16h00 Continuation of discussion

19h00 **Public Roundtable Discussion**

Chair: Christoph Bertram (Director, Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik, Berlin)

Global challenges, regional answers? Security Policy in a Globalized World

Keynote address

- **Osama Al-Baz** (National Security Advisor to the Egyptian President, Cairo)

Panelists

- **Marcel Fortuna Biato** (Foreign Policy Unit, Office of the Brazilian President, Brasilia)
- **Hans-Ulrich Klose** (Member of the German Parliament, Vice-Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Affairs, Berlin)
- **James Jonah** (University of New York/Formal UN Under-Secretary-General, New York)
- **Hans-Heinrich Dieter (requested)** (Lieutenant General, German Federal Armed Forces, Bonn)

Topics for discussion:

- What security problems are identified as particularly pressing?
- What are the roles for regional security arrangements and organizations?
- Can the UN serve as the institutional/political backbone of a robust world peace order?

Wednesday, September 22

09h00

Session III**Chair: Michael Zürn** (Hertie School of Governance, Berlin)**Global Security Policy in 2015 – three future scenarios***Introductions*

- US hegemony in a unipolar world?
Ronald Asmus (Senior Fellow, German Marshall Fund of the United States, Washington D.C.)
(*To be confirmed*)
- Regional Security arrangements in a multipolar world?
Amitav Acharya (Head of Research at the Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore)
- Global Security Governance - an “effective multilateralism”?
Monica Hirst (Executive Director, Fundación Centro de Estudios Brasileiros, Buenos Aires)

Topics for discussion

- What are possible global security scenarios for the future?
- How can the South itself contribute to a cooperative security architecture?
- Is there a “special role” for the EU to play?

10h45

Coffee break

11h15

Continuation of discussion and conclusions

12h30

Lunch

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