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PREFACE



Dear Readers

It is with great pleasure that I present to you our Annual Report 2018.

As a Leibniz institute, we stand for outstanding excellence in research. It has been especially gratifying to see how much GIGA scholarship has developed in recent years. About 40 per cent of our papers were published in high-impact A journals last year, and several of our books came out with the top university presses.

We are applying uncompromising standards of excellence to our own journal family as well. The four GIGA journals will now be published with a renowned international publisher – Sage Publishing. Our cooperation with Sage is a vital step to take our journals to the next level of high quality and global reach. We do this without compromising on our commitment to the platinum standard of open access.

Our Doctoral Programme celebrated the graduation of 14 junior researchers. Two prizes were awarded to research conducted as a part of this programme. We are convinced that high-quality research should also be impactful. We were involved in multiple events and policy exchange with relevant ministries within Germany and other key stakeholders.

We are happy that our mid-term audit by the Academic Advisory Board (conducted over two years – 2017 and 2018) recognised our achievements. With 2018 as our first reporting year, we have officially entered the preparatory phase for our next full Leibniz evaluation, scheduled for autumn 2021. We are working together as Team GIGA to push the boundaries of research, enjoying the exercise of self-reflection to further improve process and product, and going full steam ahead!

Yours truly
Amrita Narlikar

Prof. Dr. Amrita Narlikar, D.Phil. (Oxon), Ph.D. (Cantab)
President of the GIGA

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HIGHLIGHTS

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HIGHLIGHTS 2018

NARLIKAR JOINS FEDERAL PRESIDENT ON TRIP TO INDIA

(From left to right)
Prof. Axel Michaels,
First Lady Elke
Büdenbender,
Prof. Amrita Narlikar,
Federal President
Frank-Walter
Steinmeier, and
Christian Schneider



Federal President Frank-Walter Steinmeier and First Lady Elke Büdenbender travelled on an official visit to India from 21 to 26 March. GIGA President Amrita Narlikar, an expert on Indian politics and economics, contributed to the journey as an invited member of the delegation. The state visit highlighted the vital issues of diversity and tolerance for both countries. Other topics of exchange included multilateral trade and the strengthening of Indo-German relations.

www.giga-hamburg.de/en/news/germany-and-india-a-fresh-look-at-each-other

NEW DIRECTOR AT GIGA INSTITUTE OF AFRICAN AFFAIRS

Prof. Dr.
Matthias Basedau



Jann Lay successfully headed the Institute of African Affairs (IAA) in an interim capacity from late 2015. In October 2018, Matthias Basedau became director of the IAA after a rigorous international selection process. He holds an honorary professorship at the University of Hamburg. His research focuses on resource-induced and religiously motivated conflict, civil-military relations, and political institutions in Africa.

www.giga-hamburg.de/en/team/basedau

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HIGH-LEVEL CONFERENCE ON CONFLICT DIPLOMACY



The research network Processes of International Negotiation (PIN) held its first event at the GIGA in July, after the institute started hosting PIN's secretariat in early 2018. The conference "New Diplomacy for New Types of Conflict" addressed topics such as conflicts in the Middle East, cyber warfare, peacebuilding, conflict narratives, and regional diplomacy. Driven by the GIGA's pursuit of bridging the divide between academia and policy, a number of senior diplomats contributed productively to the exchange with practitioners in the field.

www.giga-hamburg.de/en/pin-research-network

TWO NEW WOMEN PROFESSORS AT THE ILAS



The University of Marburg awarded an honorary professorship to Sabine Kurtenbach in August. In June, she became Acting Director of the GIGA Institute of Latin American Studies (ILAS) until the post is filled through an international selection. Later in the year, the Leibniz Association approved Mariana Llanos's grant application to establish a W3 professorship jointly between the GIGA and the University of Hamburg for her in 2019.

www.giga-hamburg.de/en/team/kurtenbach and www.giga-hamburg.de/en/team/llanos

Prof. Dr.
Sabine Kurtenbach

HIGHLIGHTS 2018

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON FORCED MIGRATION

Participants of the
Global Transitions
Conference 2018



The fourth annual GIGA Global Transitions Conference, entitled “Forced Migration in Global Perspective,” was held in December, in Hamburg. It aimed at presenting a more pluralistic picture of major trends, causes, dynamics, and policy implications regarding worldwide forced migration flows. As only a comparatively small number of forced migrants reach OECD countries, the event focused particularly on the most dominant processes of forced migration within and between Africa, Asia, Latin America, and the Middle East.

www.giga-hamburg.de/en/event/forced-migration-in-global-perspective

JANN LAY JOINS ADVISORY BODY TO HAMBURG SENATE



In July, Hamburg’s First Mayor Peter Tschentscher appointed GIGA economist Jann Lay as a new member of the Hamburg Council for Sustainable Development Policy (“Rat für nachhaltige Entwicklungs-politik”). The Council advises the Hamburg Senate on matters such as cooperation with foreign partners and development education. It draws up technical reports and recommendations, which are also published for members of the state parliament to view.

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THE GIGA'S OPEN ACCESS JOURNALS PUBLISHED BY SAGE



Starting with issue 1/2019, the GIGA will publish the four peer-reviewed journals of the GIGA Journal Family via internationally renowned academic publisher Sage Publishing. In accordance with the institute's global approach to scholarship, the journals will remain accessible free of charge – both for readers and authors ("Platinum Open Access"). Apart from a series of new features, such as "online first" publication and DOI registration at CrossRef, the collaboration with Sage will also help boost the journals' worldwide visibility and impact.

www.giga-journal-family.org

TWO AWARDS FOR DOCTORAL PROGRAMME GRADUATE



For his outstanding dissertation "Buying Democracy? The Political Economy of Foreign Aid, Power-Sharing Governments, and Post-Conflict Political Development" the German Economic Association (Verein für Socialpolitik) and the KfW Development Bank (Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau) awarded their Young Researcher Prize to GIGA researcher Felix Haaß. He also won the University of Greifswald's doctoral prize for being among their top five dissertations. www.giga-hamburg.de/en/giga-researcher-dissertation

Dr. Felix Haaß

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RESEARCH

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RESEARCH AT THE GIGA

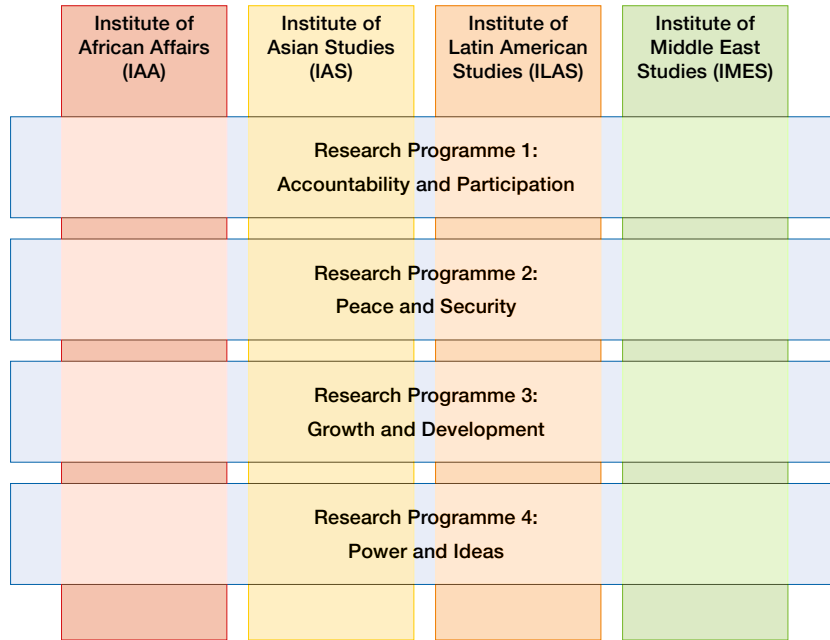


Figure 1: GIGA Research Matrix



Prof. Dr. Amrita Narlikar, President of the GIGA

With rigorous research and re-research-based knowledge transfer, the GIGA contributes to academic innovation and societal progress on core issues of our time. It is committed to a global approach to scholarship, which works with perspectives, concepts, and experiences from different world regions.

Democracy has been on the decline and authoritarian rule restrains political rights and civil liberties in many countries. Thus, the question how participation and accountability can be sustained is crucial. The GIGA enriches the debates with its comparative research on political institutions in the Global South. In a number of projects, funded by DFG and others, it investigates aspects of

electoral politics (clientelism, ethnic voting, populism), problems of horizontal accountability (role of courts, judicial independence), and political participation of specific groups (migrants, ethnic minorities, youth). Research on authoritarian regimes and their persistence, diffusion, and cooperation is a further hallmark of the GIGA. The Leibniz-funded IDCAR network held its concluding conference in 2018. Its research on the international dimension of authoritarianism contributed to the establishment of a new field of study.

Another integral part of GIGA's agenda is peace and security research. Answering questions of how to overcome violent conflict is key to understanding political, social, and economic dynamics in

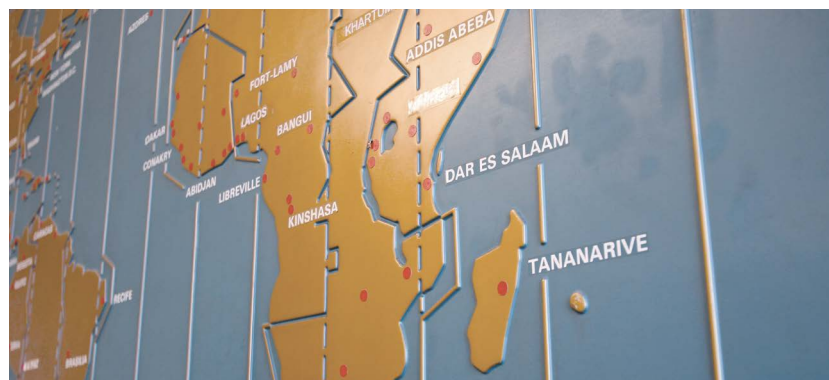
the 21st century. The repercussions of forced migration are at the centre of a new EU project to which the GIGA contributes with its context-sensitive empirical research. Considering more than 70 million refugees worldwide, the 2018 Global Transitions Conference was dedicated to “Forced Migration in Global Perspective.” Further emphasis lies on institutions that lead to sustainable peace, on the effects of external interventions, and on social identities, religion, and ideology, which have the potential to either intensify or reduce conflict. A new project funded by BMZ investigates the contribution of religion to peace and develops practical recommendations for development cooperation. It complements ongoing work on internal violent conflicts, which serves the ministry to detect upcoming crises and prevention needs.

Agenda 2030 for Sustainable Development as a reference framework calls for concerted efforts to end poverty, fight inequalities and tackle climate change. These challenges require a combination of global solutions, in particular in trade and climate governance, and local responses, for example on labour markets and in distributive and social policies. Research at the GIGA helps to find these answers. In a sequence of projects, funded by BMBF and others, GIGA scholars – together with leading climate think tanks – investigate how to reconcile climate policy and inclusive growth in emerging economies. We also partner with Hamburg University in the

Excellence Cluster on Climate, which was approved in 2018. The GIGA engages in research and knowledge transfer on world trade and global economic developments as well as various Agenda 2030 issues, for instance through consultancy for the EU Commission’s Directorate for International Cooperation and Development and joint activities with the World Bank on local governance, education policies, and land acquisitions.

Global structural shifts have resulted in a multipolar order, in which new powers such as China and India play a major role in world politics. At the same time, events, ideas, actors, and institutions have become highly interconnected. The GIGA has a long history of research on emerging powers and has coined debates on regional organisations and multilateralism. New projects, approved or starting in 2018, take this research further: inter alia a Leibniz Junior Research Group on legitimisation strategies of regional organisations, the GIGA’s participation in the Excellence Cluster of FU Berlin on contestations of the liberal script, and a DFG-funded project on legitimate multipolar order. The latter investigates how Chinese and Indian debates reflect upon legitimacy under conditions of multipolarity related to the WTO, the AIIB, and the G20. It is an excellent example for the way non-Western ideas influence global policy-making, showing the added value of the GIGA’s global approach.

INSTITUTE OF AFRICAN AFFAIRS



Prof. Dr.
Matthias Basedau

The year 2018 revealed a number of contradictory developments in sub-Saharan Africa. Long-term positive socio-economic ones continued in the region; growth rates have slowed yet are still rather high. There are also signs that peace, democratic norms, and reform are gaining ground. In Ethiopia, new prime minister Abiy Ahmed embarked on courageous reforms and started to ease relations with former arch-enemy Eritrea. In South Sudan, key rivals signed another peace agreement. For Germany and Europe the relevance of Africa has been growing, which is mainly connected, however, to a number of challenges. Giving impetus to developments such as the “Marshall Plan for Africa” and the “Compact with Africa” remained high on the agenda of donors. Conflict has increased in Cameroon between anglophone and francophone areas of the country. Jihadist conflicts haunt the Horn of Africa, Nigeria, and the Sahel. In the latter, Mali remains the epicentre of

violence – where German troops among others are attempting to secure peace. While many regimes came under pressure from the streets such as in Sudan, Togo, and Zimbabwe, autocratic ones have tightened their grip – constraining civil society and electoral freedom. Crucial elections were scheduled for 2019 in Nigeria and South Africa. In the Democratic Republic of Congo, elections were eventually held in late December – with the (surprising) results only being made public in early 2019.

The GIGA institute of African Affairs (IAA) has directly reacted to many of these key occurrences. Regarding socio-economic development, the IAA has engaged in a number of research-based outreach activities. In November, it organised a well-attended workshop with Welthungerhilfe on “Leave No One Behind,” where the most recent initiatives to support development were discussed. IAA staff assessed initiatives like the Marshall Plan and the Compact, showing that they are a step in

the right direction but certainly not sufficient. The struggle for democratisation was covered with research projects on sanctions and third-term limits on African presidents. GIGA Focus issues discussed the shrinking spaces of civil society, courts as arbiters in electoral processes, and the state of democracy in general. The IAA organised a key event with a high-ranking Afrobarometer researcher on the results of the new round of their surveys (see textbox). “Security” and “peace” were also prominent topics in the institute’s work. The IAA continued its long-standing work on “religious” armed conflicts that are fought between religious communities or where warring factions differ over related ideology. Terrorism is often part of or connected to such conflicts. A GIGA Focus debated this issue and, in December, there was a presentation at the Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development on the long-term

increase in religious conflicts.

Honouring its long-standing trademark feature, IAA researchers combined their cutting-edge research methodologies and theorising with fieldwork. The IAA creates worldwide datasets such as on “land grabs” and sanctions but also collects unique data on small and medium enterprises and young leaders at the micro level in countries such as Kenya and Uganda. Also, when possible, experiments that are best suited to isolating causal relationships are conducted too.

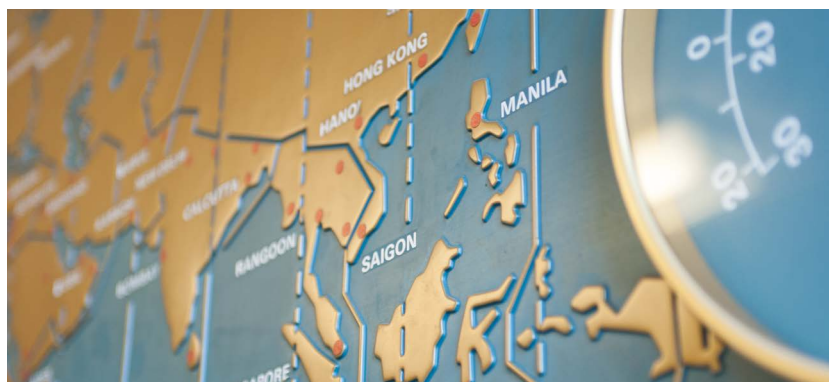
The IAA leadership changed in October with Matthias Basedau, who has held an honorary professorship at the University of Hamburg since 2013, becoming director. Julia Grauvogel took over the editorship of the SSCI-ranked journal *Africa Spectrum*, which is published with the active engagement therein of the Association for African Studies in Germany (VAD) and is one of the impactful outlets of the GIGA Journal Family.

INITIATING AND PRESENTING RESEARCH: TWO HIGHLIGHTS



Two activities were particular highlights in the IAA’s research platform over the course of 2018. Seed money was provided for five young African scholars to investigate topics such as migration in Ethiopia, sustainability in Zimbabwe, peacebuilding in South Sudan, oil extraction in Ghana, as well as civil society in South Africa. Four young academics were visiting scholars at the GIGA in 2018. Another highlight was the presentation in Berlin, in November, of results from the new round of Afrobarometer surveys by Professor Emmanuel Gymiah-Boadi from Ghana. Professor Gymiah-Boadi is the long-standing executive director of Afrobarometer, and one of the leading scholars on African politics.

Dr. Julia Grauvogel
with
Prof. Gymiah-Boadi



Prof. Dr.
Patrick Köllner

Extensive summity characterised international relations in and with Asia in 2018. Not all delivered tangible outcomes. In November, amid escalating United States-China trade fights, the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation summit did not even produce a communiqué. Earlier that month, Vice President Pence outlined the US's intention to confront China across the board, from intellectual property issues to human rights, possibly heralding a new kind of Cold War. Australia and New Zealand reset their China policies and increased cooperation with Pacific Island nations. For free trade, the picture was mixed. The European Union-Japan free trade agreement was to become effective in early 2019; the Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership, leading to free(r) trade among 11 Pacific Rim countries, in late 2018. China's Belt and Road Initiative offers opportunities but also serious challenges for the region and beyond.

No less than three inter-Korean summits were held in 2018, result-

ing in plans for infrastructure and other cooperation. Whether these will bear fruit also depends on progress in “denuclearisation” – a contested term – in North Korea (DPRK), and on how the relevant international sanctions regime evolves. Kim and Trump met at a first US-DPRK leaders' summit, which created a strategic opening but left unclear how the resulting (bare-bones) communiqué will be implemented.

A China-Japan leaders' summit helped to thaw bilateral relations. China's party-state leader Xi Jinping has sought to boost the country's international status with increasing assertiveness but also faced mounting criticism at home for scrapping the state presidency term limit. State elections in India in late 2018 encouraged the oppositional Congress Party and paved the way for a more competitive general election in 2019, as Modi sought re-election.

High-profile developments such as these were examined by GIGA Institute of Asian Studies

(IAS) scholars. They published five new books, around 20 journal articles, plus numerous book chapters, briefing papers, and similar.

The IAS co-organised the stimulating Otago Foreign Policy School in New Zealand (see textbox), and held a productive bookmaking workshop on crisis narratives in Japan. An intensive training programme for young party officials and an international conference on political parties and state transformation in Myanmar were rolled out in collaboration with the Friedrich Ebert Foundation in Yangon. IAS scholars participated in a host of conferences and dialogue forums, including the Bali Democracy Forum and the EU-Australia Leadership Forum, and gave interviews for national and global media.

GIGA President Amrita Narlikar accompanied Federal President Steinmeier on his state visit to India. The 2018 Asia roundtable at the Federal Foreign Office also

focused on India. Two topics with particular relevance to the region, competing connectivity strategies and shrinking civic space, were discussed in public forums in Hamburg and Berlin.

New projects funded by the EU, the Federal Ministry of Research and Education (BMBF), and the German Research Foundation (DFG) got underway in 2018, focusing on competing regionalisms in Southeast Asia, innovation in Asia-Pacific, and multilateral organisations with strong Asian involvement. IAS scholars are also involved in two new Excellence Clusters in Hamburg (on climate change and society) and in Berlin (on challenges to liberal conceptions of order). Several new researchers joined too, boosting IAS expertise in areas such as civil–military relations, Indonesia’s development, and maritime governance. The IAS also hosted a number of visiting scholars, including two funded by GIGA India fellowships.

THE 2018 OTAGO FOREIGN POLICY SCHOOL



A highlight of the GIGA’s Research Platform Asia activities was the Otago Foreign Policy School in Dunedin, co-organised by the IAS with its institutional cooperation partner in New Zealand, the University of Otago. A policy speech by current foreign minister and then also acting prime minister Winston Peters opened the conference, which attracted substantial local media interest. Renowned scholars, diplomats, journalists, and other practitioners from 12 countries engaged in lively discussions on the role of ideas, institutions, and issues in current Asia-Pacific diplomacy. The Sydney office of the Konrad Adenauer Foundation, among others, provided generous support for the conference.

Winston Peters (left)

INSTITUTE OF LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES



Prof. Dr.
Sabine Kurtenbach

The crisis of democratic governance and regionalism increased during 2018. The election of far-right candidate Jair Bolsonaro in Brazil is just the latest sign that Latin American democracy is in deep trouble. Marta Lagos, the director of the Latinbarómetro, labelled 2018 an “annus horribilis,” signalling the end of the third wave of democratisation in the region. Only Mexico, under recently elected Andrés Manuel López Obrador, seemed to counter the consolidation of the shift to the right in elections (as seen in Brazil, Colombia, El Salvador, and Paraguay). The increasing role of the military in public security and related violence, as well as intensifying repression in Nicaragua and Venezuela, are further signals of crisis. In Colombia, the implementation of the 2016 peace accord is slow; over 400 social activists and human rights defenders murdered, as well as 85 former FARC combatants too, threatens the process itself. These occurrences raise serious questions

about the persistence and quality of democracy, peace, development, and regional integration.

All these issues, and the key drivers behind them, stand at the heart of research by the Institute of Latin American Studies (ILAS). Projects by Mariana Llanos on the “Institutional Presidency” and on “Term Limits,” as well as research on populist strategies by Saskia Ruth-Lovell, investigate democratic institutions. Adam Scharpf and Sabine Kurtenbach analyse how these problems lead to a return for the military. Despite its historical record of gross human rights violations, it still remains the most trusted institution in many Latin American countries.

Overall ILAS staff published articles in high-ranking journals as well as a series of well-received policy papers. ILAS research was presented in GIGA Talks in Hamburg and Berlin, as well as at various international conferences and workshops. A project on “New Social Inequalities” in Cuba produced a unique survey on

the island, showing how old inequalities are reproduced. Bert Hoffmann and Katrin Hansing presented these findings in innovative formats in New York, Washington, and Miami.

The increasing political crisis in Latin America also affects the different forms of regional cooperation. Over the last decade, ILAS researchers – particularly Detlef Nolte, Daniel Flandes, and Tobias Lenz – have shaped the intense debate on regional cooperation and integration. Currently, a return of nationalism and bilateral relations seems to be on the way. None of the many regional and subregional organisations – from the Organization of American States to the Union of South American Nations – is willing or indeed able to play a constructive role in tackling these issues. Latin America is instead reverting to the position of non-intervention in internal affairs, resembling the broader global crisis of regional integration and multilateralism.

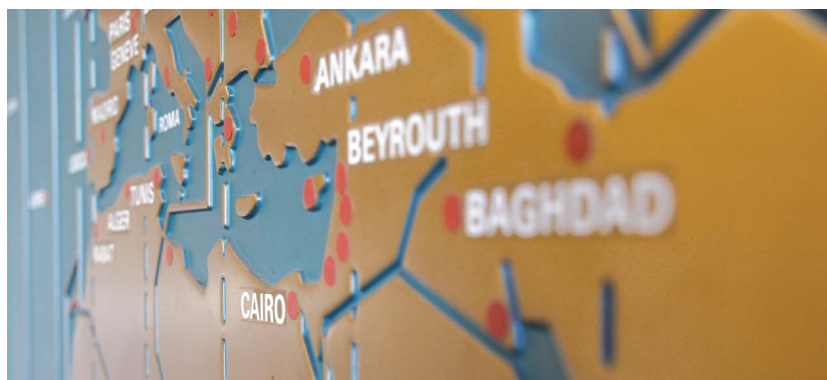
Migration stands at the intersection between national and international developments, and is a highly relevant academic and policy issue – as shown by the massive migration of Venezuelans to neighbouring countries and the so-called caravan from Central America to the United States. The project “Every Immigrant is an Emigrant” (EMISEM), led by Luicy Pedroza and funded by the Leibniz Competition, again produced highly important publications and collaborated with key German cooperation agencies in a series of workshops and talks in Argentina, Chile, Mexico, and Peru. The EMISEM team also participated in the 8th World Social Forum on Migrations.

ILAS leadership changed in June, with Sabine Kurtenbach becoming acting director. In August, she was awarded an honorary professorship at the University of Marburg. Detlef Nolte retired, after having successfully led the ILAS since 2006.

MULTILATERALISM AND LEARNING FROM LATIN AMERICA



The Brazil-based research platform organised a workshop on the global and regional challenges for multilateralism with the Fundação Alexandre de Gusmão in Brasília. Debates centered on the role that Brazil and Germany play in their respective regions in helping reignite regional integration processes. Latin America succeeded in ending civil wars, but other forms of violence prevail. In October, a conference at the Universidad de los Andes in Bogotá brought researchers from the network on Violence-Security-Peace (London School of Economics, Geneva Graduate Institute, GIGA) and GIGA Humboldt alumni together to discuss what we can learn from Latin American experiences in comparative perspective.



Dr. André
Bank

For the Middle East, the year 2018 marked the full entrenchment of authoritarianism. In Syria, the war continued with the Assad regime reconquering important territories – decisively supported by Iran, Russia, and the Lebanese Hizballah. With these military gains and growing international acquiescence, it became clear that the most brutal dictatorship in the Middle East will endure. In Turkey, the June elections formalised the one-man system of President Erdoğan. For Saudi Arabia, the murder of dissident journalist Jamal Khashoggi in that country’s consulate in Istanbul tarnished the already controversial image of Crown Prince Muhammad bin Salman, the alleged strongman behind it.

Across the region, already small spaces for civil society activism were further restricted – also in formally democratic countries such as Israel. Here, the right-wing government of Prime Minister Netanyahu went against non-governmental organisations – especially those advocating for

peace with the Palestinians. In Iraq, May’s parliamentary elections led to a new government in October – but instability remained. In fragile Tunisia, the only partial success story of 2011’s Arab Spring, mass protests met the economic malaise there. The wars in Libya, Syria, and Yemen, continued authoritarianism, and a lack of economic prospects for youth were the main triggers of flight and migration, both within the region and beyond.

The year 2018 also saw increased competition for regional leadership. United States President Trump’s unilateral decisions to move the country’s Israel embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem and to reinstate sanctions against Iran after withdrawing from the nuclear deal led to escalating tensions. They also signified that, in spite of Russia’s and China’s involvement, Middle East politics has become increasingly regional. Iran, Saudi Arabia, and Turkey continued to seek regional hegemony, each with its own model of political Islam.

The GIGA Institute of Middle East Studies (IMES) addressed these key problems in a number of mostly third-party-funded research projects. A first research mainstay continued to be authoritarianism. IMES researchers organised the final conference of the International Diffusion and Cooperation of Authoritarian Regimes (IDCAR) network. A new project on the anatomy of repression started in May. Examining political Islam and its diverse forms remained a second key focus. Projects on the Salafiya and on Turkey's Friday sermons were joined by Maren Koß's book on Hamas and Hizbullah (Routledge). Forced migration became an emerging field of research too. Here, Christiane Fröhlich leads a work package within the Horizon 2020 project on Migration Governance and Asylum Crisis (MAGYC), which started in November.

As in previous years, research results were published in international academic journals – including

Democratization, Politics and Religion, and World Development. IMES researchers prominently participated in the World Congress of Middle Eastern Studies (WOCMES) in Seville and in the European Consortium for Political Research conference in Hamburg. The institute also hosted guest scholars and consolidated its Research Platforms in Lebanon and Tunisia (see textbox).

Knowledge transfer also remained key, with the IMES providing advice to ministries, such as the Federal Foreign Office and the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development, and to parliamentarians. Its scholars also contributed to the GIGA Focus series, GIGA Forums, and Berlin Talks, and gave over 40 interviews to leading German and international media outlets. IMES leadership changed in October, with André Bank becoming acting director following Henner Fürtig's retirement, who had been in charge since 2009.

NATURAL RESOURCES IN THE MENA REGION



Since 2011, the fallout of the Arab Spring has dominated news on the Middle East and North Africa (MENA). Yet, the upheavals can only be fully understood against the background of declining natural resources. The Research Platform workshop “Natural Resources in the MENA Region – Building a Sustainable Future under Difficult Conditions” examined how the region's resource base around land, gas, oil, and water has changed over the last two decades. Participants from Jordan, Lebanon, Palestine, Turkey, as well as Europe also analysed the possible impact of climate change hereon, and discussed more sustainable policy solutions to the natural resource challenges in the MENA region.

Participants of the workshop “Natural Resources in the MENA Region”

RESEARCH PROGRAMME 1:

ACCOUNTABILITY AND PARTICIPATION



Dr. Mariana
Llanos

The year 2018 was a productive one for the Research Programme “Accountability and Participation” (RP1), with scholars continuing top-notch research on academically and socially relevant topics of authoritarian politics, democratic institutions, and migration-related developments. We also charted new courses by actively engaging with one of the most pressing current political and scholarly debates: the recession of democracy.

RP1 members met regularly to critically discuss a flourishing literature increasing awareness among scholars, policymakers, and the general public on the global decline of democracy and freedom. These contributions discuss why fewer authoritarian regimes are making the transition to democracy, and why democratically elected leaders are openly flirting with non-democratic practices all over the world. RP1 engages in the debate with the unique tools provided by the GIGA’s global approach to scholarship, the perspectives

of Comparative Area Studies (CAS), and in-depth area expertise.

Political regime developments are at the core of RP1’s research. Over four years, the International Diffusion and Cooperation of Authoritarian Regimes (IDCAR) network, funded by the Leibniz Association, fostered joint research endeavours that led to important conferences and publications on authoritarian regimes. In 2018, two notable IDCAR events took place. A concluding academic conference and an open roundtable on the future of authoritarianism research were the last in a long series of events held over these four years.

The study of authoritarian politics continues, with diverse and interesting approaches being taken. The edited volume “Vietnam: Myths and Realities” analyses the effects of traditional political narratives on today’s authoritarian reality in that country. Two further edited volumes provide comparative insights into authoritarian diffusion and cooperation, as well

as on the military's impact on democratic development.

The global rise of illiberalism was part of 2018's research agenda on populism. In August, at the ECPR General Conference held in Hamburg, RP1 scholars contributed new insights on populism and the personalisation of power in Asia and the use of direct democratic instruments by populist presidents in Latin America. Groundbreaking research on how populism erodes horizontal accountability in Latin America was published in *Political Studies*.

Research on democratic institutions also further developed. While the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) collaborative project on the institutional presidency concluded, two new DFG projects innovatively tackle aspects of institutional erosion. On the one hand, we are already advanced in the study of how constitutional rules on presidential term limits are increasingly being reformed in Latin America and

sub-Saharan Africa, mostly to facilitate longer terms for powerful executives. On the other, a new project on Latin American courts seeks to analyse the reasons behind, as well as consequences of, the adoption of institutional innovations for social participation in judicial decision-making processes.

Finally, the participation of migrants in democratic and non-democratic regimes is an important area of our research. The DFG project "Do Diasporas Contribute to the Persistence of Authoritarian Rule?" deals with the effects of the Eritrean diaspora. The Leibniz Competition project "Every Immigrant is an Emigrant" analyses a wide breadth of migratory policies in three world regions – Europe, Latin America, and Asia. Last year the GIGA researchers involved in this project shared their expertise with Latin American policymakers and academic institutions in a number of events on the challenges of emigration, immigration, transit, and return across the region.

ERODING THE SOCIALIST PROMISE: CUBA'S INEQUALITIES



What happens to socialism when inequality rises? While Cuba's Communist Party remains in power, 60 years after the revolution, social inequalities are returning. In a DFG-funded research project, Katrin Hansing and Bert Hoffmann conducted a unique nationwide survey on the island. Their findings reveal a worrisome picture. The key to economic success is having family abroad who send remittances; and, as emigrants have predominantly been "white," this re-stratification of Cuban society echoes the pre-revolutionary racial hierarchies of the island state.

www.giga-hamburg.de/en/project/the-return-of-race-based-inequalities-in-contemporary-cuba

RESEARCH PROGRAMME 2: PEACE AND SECURITY



Dr. Christian
von Soest

In 2018, researchers from the Research Programme “Peace and Security” (RP2) provided, inter alia, new insights on security sector reform in post-conflict countries. Nadine Ansorg, who collaborates in the DFG-funded project on “Security Sector Reform and the Stability of Post-War Peace” together with her colleague Toni Haastrup analysed why the European Union’s support for security sector reform scarcely takes gender aspects into account. In a second article, Nadine Ansorg and Julia Strasheim, a GIGA associate, showed that the number of veto players is a crucial factor affecting the (lack of) implementation of disarmament, demobilisation, and reintegration programmes. The findings of these studies were published in the *Journal of Common Market Studies* and the *Journal of Intervention and Statebuilding*.

A further key question for peace and conflict research is how “fragility” can be adequately conceptualised and analysed. Using the Central African Republic,

Somalia, and South Sudan – countries that regularly feature at the bottom of state fragility indices – as points of reference, Tim Glawion and his co-authors Lotje de Vries and Andreas Mehler unveiled the enormous differences that exist between these three “most fragile states.” They argue for better-adapted intervention strategies, and for quantitative comparisons that are qualitatively grounded.

Members of RP2 are key contributors to two Horizon 2020 projects that the European Commission approved in 2018: Christiane Fröhlich leads a work package in a project on “Migration Governance and Asylum Crises” (MAGYC), while Jens Heibach directs a work package of the Marie Curie International Training Network project “Mediating Islam in the Digital Age.” The latter will address the ramifications of digitisation for social and political developments and conflicts in Muslim societies. Finally, Christian von Soest is involved in the

“Conflict and Cooperation at the Climate–Security Nexus” project of the University of Hamburg’s successful Cluster of Excellence “Climate, Climatic Change, and Society” (CliCCS), that was approved in September 2018 (GIGA Research Programmes 3 and 4 are also involved in CliCCS).

A major event for GIGA’s peace and security researchers was the hosting of the annual workshop of the German Association for Peace and Conflict Studies’ (AFK) Methods Working Group at the GIGA, in September. Organised by Adam Scharpf and Felix Haaß, the workshop dealt with “New Qualitative and Quantitative Data in Peace and Conflict Research.” Bringing together scholars from Austria, Germany, Sweden, Switzerland, and the United Kingdom, topics such as protest events, state-capacity, social media, peace-keeping, and migration were enthusiastically discussed.

Members of the research programme also actively shared

their insights with policymakers and the general public – for example on the Syrian crisis, international sanctions, and the Colombian peace process – through GIGA Talks and GIGA Forum events, media appearances, and providing policy advice to federal ministries and members of parliament (“Leibniz im Bundestag”). RP2 members were also key organisers of and contributors to the fourth GIGA Global Transitions Conference on “Forced Migration in Global Perspective,” in December.

In the context of its current evaluation of the peace and security research institutions active in Germany, the Wissenschaftsrat (“German Council of Science and Humanities”) emphasised the GIGA’s significant contribution to the development of peace and conflict research on the occasion of the evaluation committee’s visit to Hamburg in June 2018. The Wissenschaftsrat’s main report will be published in 2019.

DEVELOPMENT AID AND DEMOCRACY AFTER WAR



Can democracy develop in the wake of civil war ending? In 2018, Felix Haaß was awarded two prizes for his PhD dissertation research on this question. His study shows, also in a forthcoming article in *Conflict Management and Peace Science*, that when aid conditionalities meet the economic interests of rebels in power-sharing governments, post-conflict democratisation often remains limited. These key findings help us to better understand the political consequences of development aid given after a conflict has ended, and assist the advancement of theoretical debates on the seeds and origins of democracies.

www.giga-hamburg.de/en/giga-researcher-dissertation

Dr. Felix Haaß

RESEARCH PROGRAMME 3:

GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT



Apl. Prof. Dr.
Jann Lay

Research Programme “Growth and Development” (RP3) continued to investigate key patterns of socio-economic structural change in the Global South, among them processes of agricultural commercialisation and rural change as well as the causes and implications of the rise of the middle class.

Looking at the case of Peru, a country with an increasingly commercialised agricultural sector connected to world markets, a paper in *Journal of Economic Inequality* found increasing income from agriculture to be the driving force behind reductions in rural poverty and social inequality there. This greater agricultural income can, in turn, be partly traced back to increasing food crop yields and prices. Another study on Zambia (published as a GIGA Working Paper), looked at the effects of the presence of large-scale farming operations on nearby smallholder farmers – as concerns are often raised that the latter may be negatively affected hereby. Preliminary results indicate that there are no

negative effects, but rather small positive spillovers, likely caused by better access to markets. This work draws on the Land Matrix project that collects data on large-scale land acquisitions in the Global South. RP3 has been an active member of this initiative for many years now, and our partners in it secured funding for the continuation of this successful project until 2023 (see www.giga-hamburg.de/en/project/the-land-matrix).

Being middle class entails being free from poverty, which means being able to afford the basic things in life – not only today, but also tomorrow. With this dynamic perspective, a project that came to an end in 2018 investigated the main factors that cannot only be associated with a non-poor standard of living but also grant a minimum degree of economic stability and security in the context of today’s low- and middle-income countries. Using South Africa as a case study, and in close collaboration with partners at the University of Cape Town,

a number of joint research articles (including in World Development) showed the ambiguities of “the middle class” as a concept – but also regarding its function as a driver of change. For example, the middle class that is identified using economic approaches is not a homogenous political actor and will not unanimously support democratic processes and institutions. Rather, even within the middle class there are important differences in political orientations and priorities between those who perceive themselves as winners or losers under the existing political system.

Social change and the persistence of stratification are partly both driven by external forces, in particular by the pace and patterns of globalisation – and, in the poorer parts of the world, development cooperation. In Foreign Affairs, RP3 research argued that the burden of a potential global trade war is likely to be particularly detrimental to the world’s poor. Economic issues also weigh

heavily in Germany’s policies towards Africa. In a GIGA Focus Africa, RP3 researchers analysed this increasingly important role of economic cooperation and argued that – even though the focus on economic cooperation, investment, and employment is justified – the role of (German) foreign direct investment in African economic development and job creation should not be overestimated.

Finally, the First Mayor of the Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg, Peter Tschentscher, appointed Jann Lay as a new member of the Hamburg Council for Sustainable Development Policy (Rat für nachhaltige Entwicklungspolitik). In this role, Lay will be able to build on RP3’s research on sustainability issues. This includes the recent work on the negative direct income effects of carbon taxes and higher energy prices (e.g. in Energy Economics) – which explain the resistance to carbon pricing in large parts of the world.

IMPULSES FOR GERMANY’S AFRICA POLICY



At the conference “Leave No One Behind: Impulses from Science and Practice for a New Africa Policy in Germany” jointly organised with the Deutsche Welthungerhilfe, RP3 and the GIGA Institute of African Affairs brought together leading experts from academia, business, civil society, and the federal government to discuss Germany’s new Africa policy. In a very lively and well-attended event, issues of investment and employment as well as of rural development were extensively discussed.

www.giga-hamburg.de/en/event/impulses-from-science-and-practice-for-a-new-africa-policy-in-germany

RESEARCH PROGRAMME 4: POWER AND IDEAS



Dr. Miriam
Prys-Hansen

Research Programme "Power and Ideas" (RP4) advanced its research on core themes such as regional powers and legitimacy in global governance, while also adding new ones – including global diasporas and migration, maritime security, and populism. Two third-party funded projects commenced in 2018, bringing in new staff members and ideas. Tobias Lenz leads a team of four in his project on legitimation strategies of regional organisations (see textbox). At the end of the year, a second project on the question of legitimacy problems in global politics started – "Legitimate Multipolarity" is funded by the German Research Foundation (DFG), and is carried out by Johannes Plagemann, Amrita Narlikar, Heike Holbig, and Sinan Chu. Relatedly, Amrita Narlikar spoke about "Multilateralism in Crisis" at a plenary roundtable at the ECPR General Conference in August. The year saw a reinvigoration of one of the RP4's traditional strongholds, research on the role and foreign policy of regional powers.

RP4 organised a workshop in April that revisited the research agenda on regional powers by including interdisciplinary and multilevel perspectives. This event was followed up with a co-authored GIGA Focus and, in 2019, a panel at the Annual Convention of the International Studies Association in Toronto and a workshop at the European Workshops in International Studies in Krakow, co-convened by Miriam Prys-Hansen and Derrick Frazier (Professor at the Air University, Maxwell, Alabama).

Other aspects of regional and rising powerhood were addressed by Johannes Plagemann and Miriam Prys-Hansen, who looked at Indian conceptions of responsibility within the two issue-areas of climate change and maritime security (online first in *International Relations of the Asia-Pacific*), as well as by Jens Heibach's research on the role of Saudi Arabia in Africa. RP4 scholars further examined different forms of regionalism, regional norm-building, and regional contestation, as in the dissertation

projects by Leonardo Bandarra on the nuclear non-proliferation culture in Latin America and by Rafael Castro on discourses on regionalism in the Pacific Alliance and the Association of Southeast Asian Nations. Christian Wirth discussed the emergence of order in the “Indo-Pacific” in his article published in *The Pacific Review*.

A new focal point of RP4 is the intersection of populism and foreign policy. An initial publication by Sandra Destradi and Johannes Plagemann was published in *Foreign Policy Analysis*; further, the two also organised a panel on the topic at the DVPW Conference in Frankfurt, presented their work at the ECPR Conference in Hamburg, and participated in a workshop at the University of Groningen.

An RP4 event on “Competing Connectivity Strategies in Asia” was held in Berlin, with contributions by Johannes Plagemann, Christian Wirth, Margot Schüller, GIGA guest researcher Sreeradha

Datta, Friedolin Strack of the Asia-Pacific Committee of German Business, and Peter Sonnenhol of the Federal Foreign Office.

Besides participating in influential conferences, RP4 members were actively involved in providing media contributions and policy advice too. For instance, Amrita Narlikar gave an extensive interview to *Tages-spiegel*, in which she discussed the impact of globalisation on developing countries and the international trade system. She also contributed to a BBC podcast series on the “Great Unravelling” in global trade.

Further RP4 members were interviewed by important media outlets on topics such as the role of Brazil in global climate negotiations (Daniel Flemes, SWR2), relations between Germany and Saudi Arabia (Thomas Richter, *Deutsche Welle*), and the meeting of Kim Jong Un and Donald Trump (Patrick Köllner, *NDR Info*, *Spiegel Online*, among others).

LEIBNIZ JUNIOR RESEARCH GROUP: LEGRO



When, how, and with what effects do regional organisations claim legitimacy? Tobias Lenz has been awarded funds for a prestigious Leibniz Junior Research Group to study, over a period of five years, the sources and consequences of the legitimisation strategies used by regional organisations around the world (LegRO). In a world in which

nationalist politicians increasingly challenge international cooperation as an attack on national sovereignty, the project team seeks to understand how regional organisations gain, maintain, and lose legitimacy.

www.giga-hamburg.de/en/project/sources-and-consequences-of-legitimation-strategies-of-regional-organizations-legro

Prof. Dr.
Tobias Lenz

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INTERNATIONALISATION,
YOUNG TALENTS
& EQUAL OPPORTUNITY

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INTERNATIONALISATION



The GIGA's global approach to scholarship harnesses the institute's unique strengths. Internationalisation is an essential part of it. For our recruitment processes, we are happy to report that the number of international submissions has notably increased and also the quality of applications, especially for postdoctoral and project-related positions. Making English alongside German a working language of the institute and increasing the quality and international visibility of our research, may have contributed to this success.

The global approach guides our work to advance a better understanding of an ever-changing world. To help this further, Johannes Plagemann was appointed to a postdoctoral position. Together André Bank, Amrita Narlikar, and he are developing steps to take a fruitful GIGA-wide debate on what to expect from a global approach to political science to the research and policy communities.

Since 2018 the GIGA is home to the Processes of International

Negotiation (PIN) network. PIN is a renowned group of negotiation scholars and our President is a steering committee member. In July GIGA held its first PIN conference titled "New Diplomacy for New Types of Conflict. From Regional Conflicts to Regional Negotiations: Rethinking Peace Processes." To raise the level of public and academic debate, the GIGA established its Distinguished Speaker Lecture Series four years ago, bringing influential thinkers to Hamburg. In 2018, Peter Katzenstein (Cornell University), Adam Przeworski (New York University), and Desmond King (University of Oxford) graced our programme. Applying its distinctive approach, the GIGA's annual Global Transition Conference tackled another pressing issue: With a large majority of about 70 million refugees worldwide fleeing within the global south, the exchange under the lead of André Bank was dedicated to "Forced Migration in Global Perspective."

Photo left:
Prof. Desmond King
at the GIGA
Distinguished Speaker
Lecture Series
Photo right:
Dr. Gerald Knaus
at the GIGA
Global Transitions
Conference

DOCTORAL PROGRAMME



Dr. Maren
Wagner

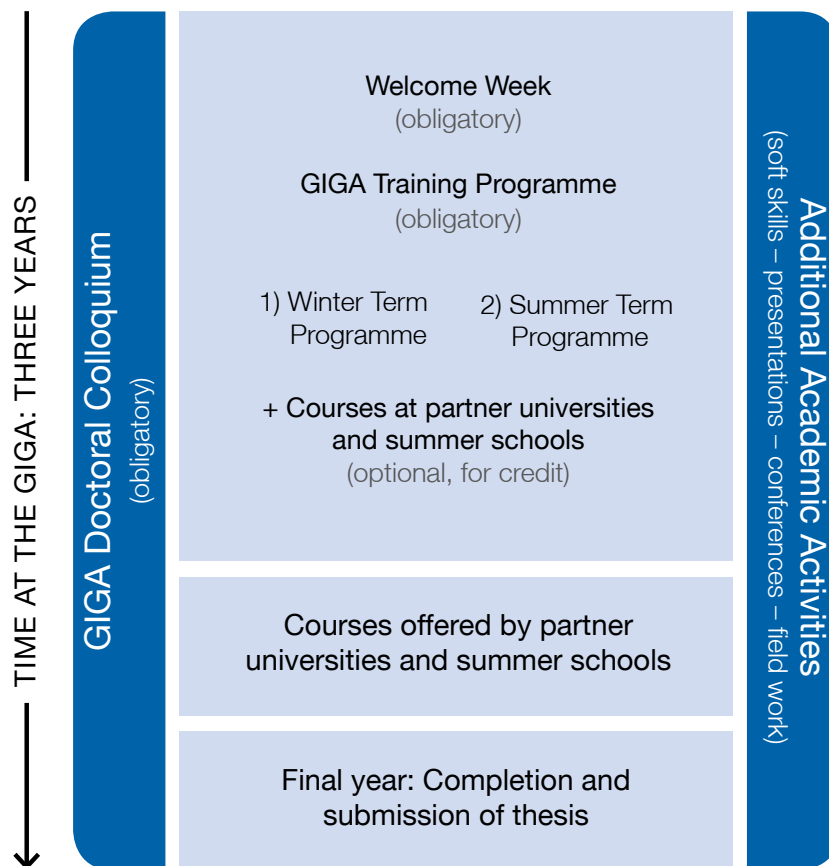
In 2018 the GIGA continued its long and fruitful tradition of integrating young researchers into its research activities and processes. The three-year Doctoral Programme (DP) supports them in advancing their projects and their academic careers in a unique international research environment.

Fourteen up-and-coming researchers were honoured for successfully completing the DP in this year's festive graduation ceremony. Seven dissertations were completed in 2018, on diverse issues such as poverty, social mobility, and the middle class in South Africa, or the impact of truth commissions and reparation programmes in post-conflict communities of Peru. Four more students have submitted their theses already, and are awaiting their defense in 2019.

The graduates passed the baton to a new cohort of doctoral students at the institute. A total of 10 young researchers were admitted to the DP in 2018, commencing distinct research projects on, for

example, large-scale farming in post-conflict Colombia, the impact of war on gender relations in Libya, and a cross-regional comparison of policies on migrant domestic workers. Moreover, as a platform for young, international, and also German academics, the DP attracted again a high number of visiting doctoral researchers applying for a stay at the institute in 2018. We welcomed 10 of them for periods ranging from 2 to 12 months, coming from such diverse (and prestigious) universities as Oxford, Cambridge, and Harvard.

The comprehensive training of the DP imparts the GIGA's "Global Approach" and broad methodological skills, for instance in the field of Comparative Area Studies (CAS), to a new generation of researchers. In 2018, the DP welcomed well-known experts from around the world, such as Katy Wheeler from the University of Essex and Erin Jenne from the Central European University in Budapest – teaching seminars



on particular methodological approaches, such as qualitative interviews and mixed-methods research. In addition we continued with the “Global Approach to CAS Series” taught by in-house specialists, thus making use of the unique intra-GIGA expertise.

The DP also continued its international cooperation with integrated research and fellowship programmes. As a partner in GEM-STONES – an integrated PhD fellowship programme that seeks to shed light on how the European Union contributes to the purposeful management of complex regimes – the GIGA

welcomed two fellows who have started their secondments here so as to gain insight into the structure and processes of an independent research institute.

We are particularly delighted that our 2017 graduate Felix Haaß was awarded two junior researcher prizes for his dissertation on the impact of development projects on the emergence of democratic institutions – one by the German Verein für Socialpolitik and the KfW Development Bank, and the other by the University of Greifswald for one of the year's top-five dissertations.
www.giga-hamburg.de/dp

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY



The GIGA's Hamburg Family Seal was renewed after a positive audit in April 2018. The seal is an award by the Hamburg Alliance for Families given to organisations that by their corporate policy provide their employees with an adequate reconciliation of job and family life. We consider this a recognition of our comprehensive equal opportunities concept at the GIGA, which includes all members and goes beyond matters of gender equality. Diversity is a central part of the GIGA's self-conception as an independent research institute with its own global approach committed to internationalisation. In this context, we understand family friendliness as a project characterised by changing needs and varying models not fixed to traditional roles.

In 2018 the GIGA resumed its annual parents meeting, a forum for exchange as well as the discussion of problems and improvements related to the reconciliation of career and family. We also have a mailing list for all parents at the GIGA to allow for a targeted

dissemination of relevant information or event announcements, which can also be used by our colleagues regarding other family-related matters.

Caregiving for relatives was another important issue that the institute actively pursued in 2018. An initial meeting to discuss this took place in February, in order to facilitate exchange, identify specific needs, and to find suitable solutions (see more in textbox).

With concrete measures, such as the institute's Equal Opportunity Fund, the GIGA supports career promotion and the reconciliation of job and family obligations for all employee groups. The fund was equipped with EUR 20,000 this year, and is open for applications from both academic and non-academic staff. Not only women but also men may benefit from it where family matters are concerned.

In addition, the fund again supported another concrete measure, namely the institute's own Mentoring Programme in

cooperation with the “Expertinnen-Beratungsnetz,” a Hamburg-based expert mentoring network. The mentoring is addressed to women colleagues who are at turning points in their careers, such as doctoral students in their final project phase or early postdoctoral researchers, but also to women in our non-scientific staff who would like to seek career-development advice. This year, four of our colleagues made use of this unique opportunity.

The GIGA builds on its accomplishments in increasing the share of women as part of its academic staff. While there are still steps to take as the share of men remains higher among the tenured seniors and at leadership level, there have been significant improvements: most recently with Julia Grauvogel being the first woman researcher tenured at the IAA and with Sabine Kurtenbach becoming acting director of the ILAS.

The two pending joint appointments for directorships (ILAS and

IMES) offer an opportunity to increase the proportion of women within the GIGA's executive board.

Our President gives Equal Opportunity her personal attention as an important leadership task. For instance, she encouraged the GIGA's application within the Leibniz Programme for Women Professors and secured the support of the University of Hamburg for it. With this backing, our senior researcher Mariana Llanos has successfully acquired the grant for this appointment.

As of August 2018, Mariana Llanos has also been chosen by the Executive Board as new deputy equal opportunity commissioner to support Maren Wagner in her tasks. Previous deputy and research fellow Kerstin Nolte took up a junior professorship at the University of Hannover – more proof of successful career development at the GIGA. Targeted staff development is particularly important to the institute in achieving its equal opportunity goals.

RECONCILING CAREGIVING AND CAREER



In the event that a relative requires care, family members who are in the workforce face numerous questions; a solution must be identified regarding where and in what form this care can be secured. The GIGA strives to take on greater responsibility for these issues in support of its employees. As a result of a first meeting to discuss caregiving among colleagues, guidelines for reconciling caregiving and career were developed that are available on the institute's intranet. In addition, Maren Wagner participated in a training programme to become a multiplier at work who is familiar with the issue of caregiving and can provide employees with initial information and advice.

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TRANSFER
OF KNOWLEDGE
& IMPACT STORIES



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TRANSFER OF KNOWLEDGE

Prof. Peter
Katzenstein
at the GIGA
Distinguished
Speaker Lecture
Series



The GIGA's global approach to scholarship generates original data and analysis with real-world relevance. It fosters intellectual exchange with global reach and global significance. With the GIGA's characteristic comparative angle on regional and global transitions, we also take a close look at South-South developments.

We collaborate with institutions and individuals around the world, support exchange stays among scholars, organise a range of activities through our regional research platforms, and carry out vital field research. To conduct impactful work, we present our research results in high-level academic outlets. And our outreach goes beyond that, we engage with academia, politics, and the informed public through events, media contributions, and policy advice. We aim to develop a better understanding of the world and translate it for different audiences.

With our different event series in the shape of lectures, research seminars, and panel debates, we

bring some of the most interesting international thinkers from academia and policy to Hamburg (see page 37). Our formats include the GIGA Distinguished Speaker Lecture Series, the annual GIGA Global Transitions Conference dedicated to key questions of world importance, the GIGA Forum in Hamburg directed at the wider public and the expert rounds GIGA Talks in Berlin. Our cooperation with the NDR addresses global hotspots from the varied perspectives of research and journalism. We organise these events to stimulate debate and advance the knowledge on specific issues.

To inform the interested public and provide much needed differentiation based on long-standing and context-sensitive research expertise, we engage with a broad array of important media (see below).

We bridge the academic-practitioner divide through a vivid exchange with the policy world. Our research has direct implications for decision-making and policy.

Demand for the institute's expertise on the G20 remained high. Jann Lay for instance took the lead in a collaboration event on "Africa in German and International Politics," discussing the advances since the summit in Hamburg. Amrita Narlikar served as panellist at the Global Solutions Summit, and her analysis "Global trade governance and the G20: Negotiating across deepening fault lines" was published by the International Centre for Trade and Sustainable Development.

Our regular exchange formats with the Federal Foreign Office, one of our main funders, include regional experts' rounds and contributions to the training of junior

diplomats. Participation in each other's conferences and discussion panels as well as bilateral dialogue at all levels take place continuously. This also holds true for other ministries. The newly established ties to the Federal President's Office have been developed further after our president was part of the state visit delegation to India in March 2018. For BMZ, the GIGA regularly produces politico-economic briefs and an escalation potential analysis. The GIGA also offers its expertise through the annual format "Leibniz im Bundestag" (Leibniz in Parliament) and in its own GIGA Focus series available online.

GIGA IN THE MEDIA



With a full-page portrait in Tagespiegel about the GIGA president and her work, and with her and many other GIGA researchers giving interviews to and publishing opinion pieces in leading German and international media outlets, 2018 was a particularly successful year in terms of our media presence. Our research was featured in influential outlets, such as the BBC, El País, People's Daily, FAZ, Zeit Online, Spiegel Online, Handelsblatt, Süddeutsche



Zeitung, ZDF, as well as many ARD, radio, and TV stations, etc. GIGA staff members initiated and contributed to public debates on a wide spectrum of topics, including trade and globalisation, the G20, the rise of authoritarianism and populism, refugees and migration, German and European Africa policies, climate change, wars and outbreaks of violence – among many other global matters. www.giga-hamburg.de/en/press

GIGA BERLIN OFFICE



Prof. Dr.
Bert Hoffmann

The Berlin Office, located in the heart of the German capital, is the GIGA's key venue in which the commitment to research with practical relevance comes to life. The sustained dialogue and engagement with practitioners has become the hallmark of the GIGA Talks series, in which scholars from all GIGA area institutes and research programmes present their findings at the Berlin Office (see list). As part of its 2018 activities, the Berlin Office also hosted the German stakeholder meeting in the European External Action Service's (EEAS) initiative for a new vision of European Union–Latin American relations. Leaders from business associations, political foundations, and from the Federal Foreign Office all attended. As a result, when EEAS Managing Director for the Americas, Edita Hrdá, outlined the initiative, key players of the German foreign policy community contributed with their perspectives and concerns in the very early phase of strategic EU policy planning.

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GIGA Talks in 2018

- 1 Democracy in Africa:
Stuck in the Grey Zone
- 2 New Security Threats in Africa:
What Responses Are Called For?
- 3 Learning from the South?
Refugee Protection in
International Comparison
- 4 Cuba's New, Old Inequalities:
Results of an Empirical Survey,
Explanations and Perspectives
- 5 Shrinking Civic Space:
How It Plays Out in Asia and
How We Should Deal with It
- 6 Competing Connectivity
Strategies:
Infrastructure Politics in Asia
and Beyond
- 7 Identifying the Role of Regions
within the Global Compact for
Migration
- 8 Latin America:
The Military Makes a Come-
back

CROSSING BORDERS



Radicalisation and religious extremism are phenomena that many initially associate with Islam. In Myanmar, though, Buddhist extremism is very prominent, where the Muslim Rohingya are being terrorised, persecuted, and driven out of the country. Philipp Abresch (Southeast Asia correspondent for ARD), Jürgen Webermann (South Asia correspondent for ARD), and Jasmin Lorch (GIGA) discussed “Terror against Muslims – Fleeing Myanmar” as part of the collaborative event series from NDR and the GIGA “Border Crossers – Foreign Correspondents Connecting with Scholars” (Grenzgänger – Auslands-korrespondenten treffen Wissenschaftler).

www.giga-hamburg.de/en/event/terror-against-muslims---fleeing-myanmar

Philipp Abresch and
Dr. Jasmin Lorch

SPOTLIGHT ON AFRICA



With the idea of a Marshall Plan with Africa, the G20 Compact with Africa, and the revision of Germany’s Africa policy guidelines, the continent received increased attention. The

GIGA enriched the discussion with contributions based on its unique Africa expertise and networks. Two events, both held in November in Berlin, exemplify the institute’s Africa-related engagement with policy makers and the public. The conference “Leave no one behind”, organised together with Welthungerhilfe, addressed central topics of sustainable development. A panel discussion on the results of the latest Afrobarometer survey, in turn, focussed on democracy and human rights issues (“Democratic Aspirations in Africa: What Popular Surveys Reveal”).

Participants of the
panel discussion
“Democratic
Aspirations in
Africa”

IMPACT STORY: CHARTING 'LAND GRABS'



In the Global South, investors acquired nearly 50 million hectares of agricultural land since the year 2000 – land that was often previously used by small-scale farmers. These recent transactions account for more than 1 per cent of total agricultural land in these countries. The GIGA investigates the repercussions of land acquisitions and operates, together with partners, the Land Matrix database (www.landmatrix.org).

International organisations, governments, NGOs, media, and the public have open access to the database and can retrieve and report information on land acquisitions. The Guardian rated the Land Matrix among the top 10 sources of data for international development research and the development working group of the G20 highlights its value for creating transparency around land-based investments.

Land Matrix partners have been invited to all World Bank Conferences on Land and Poverty since 2012 and findings from the database have fed into the World Agriculture Report. Regional focal

points in the Global South contribute to the Land Matrix with data collection, research, advocacy, networking, and communication. Their material helps to empower stakeholders with a weaker voice – such as smallholders and local communities – in negotiating and contributes to more equitable decision-making over land.

Oxfam, Welthungerhilfe, Misereor, Global Witness, and other NGOs use information from the Land Matrix in their advocacy work. Also commercial providers of educational material rely on the data from the Land Matrix. The standard atlas for the use in German schools – Diercke World Atlas by Westermann – presents detailed information on land acquisitions from the database. Public debates are influenced through coverage in leading international media, such as Die Zeit, The Guardian, Le Quotidien, Swissinfo, and Financial Times.

The GIGA's research on large-scale land acquisitions has been supported by the BMBF, the BMZ, and the EU Commission, among other funding sources.

IMPACT STORY: MIGRATION – A GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE



Over 70 million people are forcibly displaced worldwide. Contrary to what debates in Europe or the US suggest, 85 per cent of them remain in developing countries. The GIGA contributes to a more pluralistic view on migration.

The institute follows a unique global approach and implements it also in formats like the GIGA Global Transitions Conference. In 2018 the exchange was dedicated to “Forced Migration in Global Perspective” with a focus on South-South developments (see Highlights section of this report, page 12). Our research highlights the importance of multilateralism in challenges of such magnitude.

In the run-up to the World Social Forum on Migrations 2018 in Mexico, experts from civil society, administration, academia, and development cooperation came together – upon invitation of GIGA, GIZ, and Böll Foundation – to discuss various strands of human mobility. At the GIGA, the project team of “Every Immigrant Is an Emigrant: How Migration Policies Shape the Paths to Integration” (MISEM) was in charge.

Supporting preparations for the Global Compact for Migration conference, MISEM’s doctoral student So Young Chang participated in the Youth Forum in Marrakesh 2018. Pau Palop García presented proposals to improve migration policy indices at IMISCOE, Europe’s largest research network on migration. Invited by Leibniz President Matthias Kleiner, the project leader, Luicy Pedroza, was part of the delegation to the 2018 Science and Technology in Society forum in Kyoto.

In the context of the EU-project “Migration Governance and Asylum Crises” (MAGYC, lead: University of Liège), the GIGA investigates the dynamics of South-South migration. Christiane Fröhlich coordinates the “Comparing Crisis” section and is, together with André Bank and Nicole Hirt, responsible for policy papers on migration in North Africa, the Horn of Africa, and the Middle East.

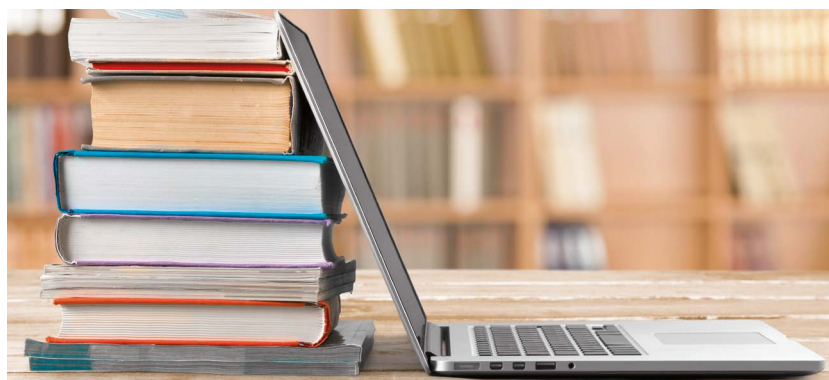
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The GIGA Information Centre (IZ) specialises in Area and Comparative Area Studies, providing access to literature that covers the GIGA's research regions, international politics, social sciences, and research methodology. The IZ also offers GIGA scholars information-related services and support for all stages of the research process. Its significance stems not only from the literature that it houses but also from its prominence within the larger framework of research information in Germany. The IZ's collection can also be used by external researchers, students, and the general public. In 2018 the IZ acquired 1,683 new titles, bringing the total number of items in its collection to 191,200. Additionally, with 2,187 new electronic full texts, the IZ offers more than 49,300 open access documents. Networking plays a very important role in the work of the IZ. Accordingly, the IZ contributes to the International Relations and Area Studies sections of the German Information Network (FIV).

Within the framework of the FIV's World Affairs Online (WAO) database, 11 German research institutes collect bibliographic social science data that cover global and regional developments, foreign and security policy, and social trends. In 2018, the IZ contributed 5,121 new records to the WAO (22 per cent of all new entries). The data are accessible through the IZ online public access catalogue (OPAC) and, inter alia, the International Relations and Area Studies Gateway (IREON), the union catalogue of the South-West German Library Network, and EBSCO Discovery Service. The OPAC contains details of all the books, journals, and e-resources available at the IZ.

The IZ also takes part in the Electronic Journals Library (EZB), and includes its print journals in the German Union Catalogue of Serials (ZDB). Information on bibliographic and full-text databases – such as encyclopaedias, dictionaries, and fact databases – are included in the Database Information System

(DBIS). The IZ's digital offerings are complemented by its contributions to the regional virtual libraries CrossAsia, MENALIB, and ilissAfrica. As one-stop resource centres for the study of specific regions, these portals offer integrated access to relevant conventional and digital information resources. Large databases with links to websites pertinent to studies on Africa, Asia, or the Middle East supplement these libraries' services. The IZ also prepares lists of new acquisitions, reading lists, and bibliographies on current topics. As part of its open access service, the IZ indexed and deposited GIGA Focus issues and 43 peer-reviewed articles by GIGA researchers in the Social Science Open Access Repository (SSOAR). This not only ensured long-term preservation; it contributed to the dissemination of GIGA research findings and increased

the institute's worldwide visibility. GIGA Focus articles were downloaded more than 56,600 times from SSOAR; the deposited articles, 8,200 times. Through SSOAR, full texts are also available in LeibnizOpen, which offers central access to openly available digital publications authored by Leibniz Association researchers. The number of open access articles has been significantly increased. In 2018 alone, 17 articles in Taylor & Francis journals could be published as open access ones on the basis of a new "read and publish" licence and eight articles with means of the GIGA's Open Access Fund.



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OPEN ACCESS AND RESEARCH DATA MANAGEMENT



The IZ has made significant progress both in open access service and research data service. The searchable database for metadata on research data generated at the GIGA was updated with further data sets. Giving individual advice to GIGA scholars on research data management was supplemented by a series of workshops dealing with different aspects hereof along the research cycle. A contract with GESIS for the use of SowiDataNet as successor to Datorium was concluded. SowiDataNet offers a workflow for institutional research data management and establishes essential elements of sustainable data curation, whereby the (formal) quality of GIGA research data is ensured by the research data service.

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RESEARCH PROGRAMME I: ACCOUNTABILITY AND PARTICIPATION

Do Diasporas Contribute to the Persistence of Authoritarian Rule? Responses of Eritrean Citizens Abroad to Transnational Governance (Nicole Hirt)

DFG, 2018–2020

Ethnic Voting in Latin America (Detlef Nolte, Aline-Sophia Hirseland, Almut Schilling-Vacaflor, Oliver Strijbis, Siri Völker)

DFG, 2015–2019

Europe-Cuba Forum Network (Bert Hoffmann, Laurence Whitehead)

EU Jean Monnet Network participation; lead: CIDOB Barcelona, 2018–2021

Every Emigrant is an Immigrant: How Migration Policies Shape the Paths to Integration (IMISEM) (Lucy Pedroza, Pau Palop García, So Young Chang)

Leibniz Competition, 2017–2020

International Diffusion and Cooperation of Authoritarian Regimes – IDCAR Network (Maria Josua, André Bank, Julia Grauvogel, Bert Hoffmann, Thomas Richter, Christian von Soest, Georg Strüver)

Leibniz Competition, 2014–2019

Latin American Courts Going Public: Institutional Innovations for Social Participation in the Judicial Decision-Making Process (Mariana Llanos, Cordula Tibi Weber)

DFG, 2018–2021

Political Representation, Parties and Presidents Survey (Saskia Ruth-Lovell)

IE University, University of Connecticut, 2017–2019

Populism in Southeast Asia (Andreas Ufen)

EU H2020 participation; lead: Ecole Française d'Extrême Orient, 2017–2020 (in collaboration with Research Programme 4)

Protest and State Reaction: An Intra-Regional Comparison (Indonesia, Vietnam) (Jörg Wischermann)

EU H2020 participation; lead: Ecole Française d'Extrême Orient, 2017–2020 (in collaboration with Research Programme 4)

The Dictator's Endgame: Theory and Empirical Analysis of Military Behavior in Authoritarian Regime Crises, 1946–2014 (David Kuehn)

DFG, 2015–2019

The (In)stability of Presidential Term Limits in Africa and Latin America: Assessing the Impact of Tenure-Rule Reforms on the Political Regime (Mariana Llanos, Charlotte Heyl)

DFG, 2017–2020

The Institutional Presidency in Latin America (Mariana Llanos, Carolina Guerrero Valencia, Anne Hoffmann, Detlef Nolte, Cordula Tibi Weber)

DAAD-PROBRAL, 2014–2018

The Return of Race-Based Inequalities in Contemporary Cuba: Analysing the Impact of Past Migration and Current Reforms (Bert Hoffman, Katrin Hansig)

DFG, 2016–2019

The Termination of International Sanctions: Causes, Processes and Domestic Consequences (Julia Grauvogel, Hana Attia)

DFG, 2018–2021 (in collaboration with Research Programme 2)

RESEARCH PROGRAMME 2: PEACE AND SECURITY

Envisioning Peace | Transforming Conflict (Sabine Kurtenbach, André Bank, Viviana García Pinzón, Christoph Heuser)

LSE Latin America and Caribbean Centre, Centre on Conflict, Development, and Peacebuilding (CCDP), Graduate Institute Geneva, Colombian partners, Philipps University Marburg, 2016–2019

From Quietism to Politics: The Egyptian Salafist Movement from 1970 to 2012 (Henner Fürtig, Jasmin Lorch)

DFG, 2014–2019

Migration Governance and Asylum Crises (MAGYC), (Christiane Fröhlich, André Bank, Maren Koß, Nicole Hirt)

EU H2020 participation; lead: Hugo Observatory, University of Liège; 2018–2022

Religion and Conflict: On the Ambivalence of Religious Factors in Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Middle East (Matthias Basedau, Christopher Huber, Tom Konzack, Johannes Vüllers)

BMZ, GIF, 2008–2018

Secondary Theatres of War: The Syrian War in Jordan (André Bank, Yazan Doughan)

DSF, 2016–2018

Security Sector Reform and the Stability of Post-War Peace (Nadine Ansorg, Sabine Kurtenbach, Selman Almohamad, Désirée Reder, Julia Strasheim)

DFG, 2016–2019

Subjective Security across World Regions (Tim Glawion)

DAAD, KMF, 2018

The Anatomy of Repression in Authoritarian States: Micro-Level Analyses of the Security Forces of the Former German Democratic Republic (Alexander de Juan, Felix Haaß)

DSF, 2018–2020

The Influence of Religion on Sustainable Development (Matthias Basedau, Simone Gobien, Lisa Hoffmann, Sebastian Prediger)

BMZ, 2015–2018 (in collaboration with Research Programme 3)

The Termination of International Sanctions: Causes, Processes and Domestic Consequences (Julia Grauvogel, Hana Attia)

DFG, 2018–2021 (in collaboration with Research Programme 1)

War Economies and Postwar Crime (Sabine Kurtenbach, Christoph Heuser, Annegret Kuhn, Angelika Rettberg)

AvH, 2015–2019

RESEARCH PROGRAMME 3: GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT

De-Carbonising Economic Development in Sub-Saharan Africa (Jann Lay)

Lead: Mercator Research Institute on Global Commons and Climate Change, Berlin;
BMBF, 2018–2021

Experimental Research on Local Governance in Burkina Faso (REGLAB) (Malte Lierl)

World Bank, Government of Burkina Faso, 2014–2021

Impact Evaluation of Out-grower Schemes in Ghana (Jann Lay, Hannes Greve)

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Landscape-Level Assessment of Ecological and Socioeconomic Functions of Rain-forest Transformation Systems in Sumatra (Indonesia) (Jann Lay, Sebastian Renner)

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Performance Monitoring Asia Pacific Research Area (APRA), with a focus on China (Margot Schüller, Iris Wieczorek, Marcus Conlé)

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Poverty, Social Mobility, and the Middle Class: The Case of South Africa (Simone Schotte, Jann Lay)

GIGA, Evangelisches Studienwerk e.V. (Villigst), 2014–2018

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DFG, 2013–2019

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Competing Regional Integrations in Southeast Asia: the Search for Identity and Legitimacy (CRISEA) (Marco Bunte, Janina Pawelz, Andreas Ufen, Jörg Wischermann)
EU H2020 participation; lead: Ecole Francaise d'Extrême Orient, 2017–2020

Contested Leadership in International Relations: Power Politics in South America, South Asia and Sub-Saharan Africa (Daniel Flemes)
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Legitimate Multipolarity? (Johannes Plagemann, Amrita Narlikar, Heike Holbig)
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Leibniz Competition, 2018–2023

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The Hamburg G20 Summit One Year On: Africa in German and International Politics

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What Can We Learn from Peace-Building in Latin America?

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Across the Atlantic – Trade Between the EU and Latin America

Book Presentation as Part of the Latin American and Caribbean Fall Festival, Hamburg, Germany

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