

IFSH participates in „Nacht des Wissens“ for first time



„Nacht des Wissens“. Entrance to the four institutes at „Beim Schlump 83“

On 7 November 2009 the event “Nacht des Wissens” took place in Hamburg. More than 60 research institutions from Hamburg and Northern Germany participated in the event and opened their doors to the public. The IFSH and the other three institutes at “Beim Schlump 83” (i.e. the Forschungsstelle für Zeitgeschichte in Hamburg (FZH), the Institut für die Geschichte der deutschen Juden (IGDJ) and the Centre for Science and Peace Research (ZNF)) participated for the first time.

Finally, after months of preparation, the four institutes opened their doors to the general public on 7 November 2009 from 5 p.m. to 12 p.m. and gave an insight into their research work and projects. Throughout the evening until late into the night more than 600 visitors used the opportunity to go on guided tours, watch videos and experiments and listen to presentations. The scholars of the IFSH talked about the Middle East conflict, informed about the situation in Afghanistan, perspectives of nuclear disarmament, the European security situation and explained what peace research actually means. The predominant young audience showed much interest in the current issues and every presentation was well-attended as well as the guided tour of the IFSH library and documentation unit.

In between the presentation many visitors jumped at the chance to have a conversation with the scholars and discuss different subjects or took a break at the so called „WissBar“.

The third „Nacht des Wissens“ in Hamburg was a real success attracting more than 17.000 visitors. Senator Dr Herlind Gundelach summarised: „I’m happy so many people from Hamburg and the metropolitan region participated in „Nacht des Wissens“ [...]. I’d like to thank those who contributed to the success of the events. [...] We are all looking forward to the next ‘Nacht des Wissen’.“



Visitors at „Nacht des Wissens“

In 2011 IFSH will participate again.

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International Conference in Berlin on Forms of Rule in the Post-Soviet Space

From 17-18 December 2009, Anna Kreikemeyer participated in an international conference in Berlin on “Forms of Rule in the post-Soviet Space” jointly organized by the German Society for Eastern European Studies and the German Institute for International and Security Affairs. It was the aim of the participating experts to discuss current conceptual approaches for the explanation of post-Soviet forms of rule and relate them to the relatively different developed case studies of Russia, Ukraine, Georgia and the Central Asian States.

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IFAR² Workshop on Missile defense in cooperation with the Academy of Sciences in Hamburg

On Wednesday, 15 December 2009, IFAR² organised a one-day workshop on "missile defense in Europe" in cooperation with the Forum for Peace Research at the Hamburg Academy of Science and the German Amaldi group in the Magnus-Haus of the German Physical Society in Berlin. Background is a study on the subject of missile defense in Europe, which was commissioned by the Forum for Peace Research at the Hamburg Academy of Sciences. Twenty participants, including Prof Cord Jakobeit and Prof Michael Brzoska, discussed the interim results of the study, conducted by Prof Goetz Neuneck, Dipl.-Phys. Hans Christian Gil and Jan Stupl. The subject was introduced by David Wright, co-director of the Global Security Program Union of Concerned Scientists, who had travelled from Boston and was able to incorporate the latest developments from the U.S. in his speech. A key finding of this study is that by giving up the Bush BMD plan in Europe, the Obama administration has eased the strained relations with Russia, but that in the long term the planned new strategic missile defence can cause new problems with Russia and China.

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France's return to NATO

An international conference took place in Herstmonceux Castle (East Sussex) on 10-12 December 2009. The meeting was organised by McGill University, Queen's University and Montreal University. The IFSH was represented by Hans-Georg Ehrhart who gave a presentation on „France's Return as seen from Germany“. His co-panellists were Frédéric Mérand (Montreal University), Bastian Irondelle (Science Po, Paris) and Christopher Bickerton (Oxford University).

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CORE at OSCE/ODIHR Election Observation Mission in Romania



Diana Digol and Samad Mukhamedov, LEOM

Diana Digol has served as a regional analyst (long term observer) on the OSCE/ODIHR Limited Election Observation Mission (LEOM) for the 2009 Presidential election 2009 in Romania from 4 November to 12 December 2009. In co-operation with the Head of the OSCE/ODIHR Limited Election Observation Mission, she was responsible for observing the entire election cycle, thus gaining an in-depth understanding of the overall pre-election administrative procedures and campaign environment in the area of deployment. Her independent analysis of the pre-election environment was included in the overall OSCE/ODIHR reporting.

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IFAR² activities in the field of chemical weapons, nuclear non-proliferation and verification

On 1-2 December 2009, Oliver Meier participated as an NGO observer in the Conference of States Parties to the Chemical Weapons Convention in The Hague. On 2 December 2009, he

represented the IFSH at the founding conference of an international civil society coalition against chemical weapons. On 30 November 2009, Oliver Meier spoke about “New perspectives of the non-proliferation regime on the eve of the NPT review conference” during a hearing on “The non proliferation regime and the future of the Non-Proliferation Treaty” organised by the subcommittee on Security and Defence (SEDE) in the European Parliament in Brussels. On 23 November 2009, he gave a presentation on the German debate about how the prohibition norm of chemical weapons can be strengthened by a better regulation of nonlethal weapons at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. On 12 November 2009, Meier gave a lecture within the frame of the series “Monitoring and verification of international treaties/contracts” on the advantages and limits of modern verification methods using the example of monitoring Iranian and Iraqi nuclear programmes.

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Montenegro’s Path towards Euro-Atlantic Integrations



*Patricia Schneider and
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From 23 to 29 November 2009, the students of Master of Peace and Security Studies under the direction of Patricia Schneider and Naida Mehmedbegović took part in a week-long workshop in Montenegro, focusing on the issue of Montenegro’s path towards Euro-Atlantic integrations. The seminar is a part of the long term IFSH-project, which aims to build an academic network in South-East Europe. Participants included not only the MPS students but also the students and faculty staff from partner universities of the region. It is significant that the Faculty of Political Sciences at the University of Montenegro became a new partner institution within the Academic Network South East Europe. Participants had a unique opportunity to meet and hear various speakers who represented both state and civil society opinion. In particular, representatives from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Montenegro, the Ministry of Defense, the dean of the Faculty of Political Sciences, and some activists of non-governmental organisations have been invited to share their ideas and attitudes on the very critical issues and challenges of the country. These critical problems include questions on human rights, security sector reform, democratisation process and failures, importance of the rule of law, minority-related issues, and of course the integration process into Euro-Atlantic institutions. The MPS students have prepared international press reviews, presenting the diversity of attitudes different states have acquired on the issue of Western Balkan’s way towards accession to the EU and NATO. On the other hand, students from Montenegro concentrated on Montenegrin media coverage of the Euro-Atlantic integration processes. During the last phase of the workshop that was full of lively discussions and debates, the participants discussed and set the concrete goals, measures and initiatives, which should strengthen and deepen the Academic Network South East Europe.

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International Seminar „Conflict Prevention by the OSCE“ in Almaty



At the seminar in Almaty

From 21-29 November 2009, Anna Kreikemeyer organised a one-week international seminar on „Conflict Prevention by the OSCE“ for 20 PhD and postgraduate students from seven post-Soviet states of the Caucasus and Central Asia. The seminar, which was financed by the German Academic Exchange Service, was jointly set up by Prof Kuralai Baizakova and Prof Mara Gubaidullina from the Centre for European Studies at the Al Farabi Kazakh National University (KazNU). Ms Eva Portius, the head of DAAD Almaty and Stefan Buchmayer, human dimension officer at the OSCE Centre/Liason Office Almaty gave presentations at the opening and during the week. The seminar was very demanding with regard to individual work load as well as communication and presentation skills. The organisers worked with a participatory method of continuous group work in multinational composition. The seminar was accompanied by a round table discussion on questions of the Kazakh OSCE chairmanship jointly organised by KazNU and the Institute for Strategic Studies under the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan (KISI) and the OSCE-Centre Astana. Ms Kreikemeyer spoke on the CORE capacity-building activities.

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Enhanced Pugwash activities for global disarmament

The upcoming Review Conference of the Non-Proliferation Treaty in May 2010 – against the background of the global-zero debate – induces more activities at the international level. From 20 to 21 November 2009, a two-day workshop on "Strengthening the International Non-Nuclear Non-Proliferation Regime: Promoting a Successful NPT Review Conference" was held in Beijing. The meeting was organised by the Chinese People's Association for Peace and Disarmament, the Pugwash Conferences on Science and World Affairs and the Institute of Applied Physics and Computational Mathematics. Three past chairs of the NPT review conferences, and approximately 60 participants from China, the USA and Europe, including Goetz Neuneck, attended the event. Besides, on 8 December 2009 Prof. Neuneck met the former U.K. Minister of defence Des Browne in London and the chairman of a group of senior MPs in the British Parliament, which advocates for multilateral nuclear disarmament. Goetz Neuneck also gave a lecture on the prospects for a world without nuclear weapons on 11 December 2010 in Utrecht.

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Conference: Climate change, social stress and violent conflict

The IFSH was co-organiser of a conference on “Climate Change, Social Stress and Violent Conflict“, which took place on 19 and 20 November 2009 in Hamburg. The conference, in which more than 80 researchers from more than 30 countries participated, was sponsored by the CLISAP research cluster of excellence (www.clisap.de), of which the IFSH is a partner. Michael Brzoska was one of the discussants in a public panel debate on the evening of 19 November 2009, which was moderated by Denise Voelker, researcher at the IFSH. Papers

presented at the conference can be found at <http://clisec.zmaw.de/Conference-program.1020.0.html>. Publication is foreseen in 2010 with Springer Publishers.

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Experts meet at Ministry of Foreign Affairs

On 17-18 November Oliver Meier and Goetz Neuneck participated in the high level expert seminar "Towards a Fissile Material Cut-Off Treaty: Significance, Political Context and Technical Implications" at the Federal Foreign Office in Berlin. Around 40 delegations of the Geneva Conference on Disarmament discussed the state and prospects of a future Fissile Material Cut-off Treaty.

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Colloquium in Lyon

Isabelle Maras and Sybille Reinke de Buitrago participated at the international colloquium on German foreign policy since 1990, held on November 12-13, 2009 in Lyon (France) and organised by the Université Jean Monnet de Saint-Etienne, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung Paris, Institut Goethe de Lyon and the Université de Cergy-Pontoise. Contributions from diverse and especially German and French perspectives dealt with the colloquium's theme "Sortie de la singularité – Retour à la normalité: Politique et interventions militaires extérieures de la RFA depuis 1990/Aus der Singularität heraus zur Normalität: Außenpolitik und Auslandseinsätze der BRD seit 1990". Isabelle Maras and Sybille Reinke de Buitrago presented their paper entitled "Die Bundeswehreinätze im Spiegel der politischen Entscheidungsträger und der Öffentlichkeit Deutschlands und Frankreichs". An exchange among participants – among others from the Ecole militaire de Saint-Cyr-Coetquidan, the Université Charles de Gaulle-Lille 3, the Zentrum für europäische Integrationsforschung Bonn and the Bremen International School of Social Sciences – took place.

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DAAD-symposium on dialogue and cooperation in crisis states

On 11 November 2009, Anna Kreikemeyer participated in an opening panel on „Scientific dialogue and cooperation in crisis states“ at the annual symposium of the DAAD for the heads of the Akademische Auslandsämter, International Offices and representatives for international affairs at German universities at the Wissenschaftszentrum in Bonn. Besides speakers with project experience in the regions Near East and Africa, Anna Kreikemeyer spoke together with Andrea Schmitz from the German Institute for International and Security Affairs on her experiences and views on possibilities and barriers of Capacity Building in Central Asia.

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Research stay in Sarajevo and Bosnia and Herzegovina at the EU police mission EUPM



Isabelle Maras and Tobias Flessenkemper, director of the office of the head of mission

From 3 October until 6 November 2009, Isabelle Maras, a doctoral student from the IFSH, stayed as a visiting researcher at the EU Police Mission (EUPM) in Sarajevo (Bosnia and Herzegovina). In the framework of her research project on the effectiveness of ESDP police missions, Isabelle Maras conducted a round of intensive interviews and talks with experts and policemen from the Mission, representatives of state-level and entities' institutions and police agencies as well as with representatives of international organisations and civil society practitioners in Sarajevo and Banja Luka. At the end of her stay, Isabelle Maras gave a presentation on her PhD topic and preliminary findings entitled „Assessing civilian police missions in the European Security and Defence Policy. An account of EUPM's achievements“ to representatives of the EU Police Mission and interested guests.

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Talks on nuclear disarmament and missile defence in Marburg and Hamburg

Invited by UN Society of Marburg, Goetz Neuneck held a presentation entitled: "A world without nuclear weapons: prospects for nuclear disarmament and a nuclear-free world" on 5 November 2009. The event was organised by interested students. Mayor Egon Vaupel and Mayor Franz Kahle welcomed Goetz Neuneck at the beginning of the event. On 11 November 2009, Prof Neuneck gave another presentation entitled "Obama's decision on missile defense and Iran" as part of the Studium Generale at the Bucerius Law School in Hamburg.

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20 Years IFHV, partner Institute of IFSH at the Ruhr-University Bochum

With a scientific conference the Institute for International Law of Peace and Humanitarian Law (IFHV) at the Ruhr-University Bochum celebrated its 20th anniversary. The subject of the two-day symposium was titled "60 years Geneva Conventions – a legal system facing new challenges." Besides the founding director Prof.em. Dr Dr h.c. mult. Knut Ipsen, Prof.em. Michael Bothe, Judge Dr h.c. Hans-Peter Kaul and Prof. Dr Thilo Marauhn also attended the conference. Goetz Neuneck, Deputy Scientific Director of IFSH, gave a lecture entitled "New Weapons for New Wars?" and congratulated the long-standing partner in behalf of the IFSH.

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Field research: State and Modernisation in Kazakhstan

Sebastian Schiek, PhD candidate at CORE/IFSH, took interviews and collected data in Kazakhstan in October. Organizationally supported by the Friedrich Ebert Foundation in Kazakhstan, he interviewed high-ranking politicians and members of the state administration. Moreover, he spoke with local experts, journalists and staff members of international organisations. Sebastian Schiek will be in Kazakhstan to conduct field research for a second

time in spring 2010. During this time he has a teaching assignment at the Kazakh Agency for Civil Affairs in Astana.

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Publications

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Issue 4/2009 focuses on Security Aspects of Future Resource Supply including contributions of: Edgar Gnansounou on technical aspects of prospective energy supply on the basis of the prognoses of the International Energy Agency (IEA), Michael Klare on perspectives of conflicts about raw materials and their distribution, Thomas Rothner dealing with the questions of: What happens if a change in energy policy fails? Will conflicts about oil and gas supply increase? Moreover, Heinrich Kleft writes about the importance of mineral resources in Germany, Raimund Bleischwitz discusses the problem of the so-called "resource curse", i.e. many states that are rich of raw materials are poor and unstable, and Alsyson Bailes discusses in her contribution the fundamental question whether the attempt to reduce the dependence of energy supply from the outside might be the false approach within security policy.

Beside the main focus of this issue, Sven Chojnacki, Maurice Herchenbach and Gregor Reisch deal with the issue of military invention within the serial "perspectives on war". Thomas Horlohe critically analyses the new strategy of the Obama administration concerning Afghanistan and Pakistan. Laura Ryseck and Magret Johannsen discuss the difficult role of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA). Knut Ipsen, who documents the annual Dieter S. Lutz-lecture at the IFSH, describes the present debate on the concept of defence in the context of international and constitutional law demanding a more diligent use of the terms.

Ulrich Kuehn: „From Capitol Hill to Istanbul: The Origins of the Current CFE Deadlock", CORE Working Paper, Issue 19, 2009.

In his essay "From Capitol Hill to Istanbul: The Origins of the Current CFE Deadlock" (CORE Working Paper, Issue 19) Ulrich Kuehn analyses the origins and main reasons of the Russian Federation's so called "Istanbul Commitments" in relation to the ongoing CFE stalemate. His case study is concerned with related documents and debates of the U.S. Congress of the years 1993 to 2002.

Goetz Neuneck: Globalizing Nuclear Zero. Is a World without Nuclear Weapons really Attainable?, in: Internationale Politik und Gesellschaft 4/2009, S. 46-64.

In his paper "Globalizing Nuclear Zero: Is a World without Nuclear Weapons Really Attainable?" Goetz Neuneck analyses the various statements in favour of a world free of nuclear weapons (Global Zero). He describes the current arms control challenges and discusses the next steps towards a world free of nuclear weapons.

Goetz Neuneck: Die deutsche Pugwash-Geschichte und die Pugwash-Konferenzen – Ursprünge, Arbeitsweise und Erfolge – Das Ende des Kalten Krieges und die Herausforderungen der Zukunft (German Pugwash history and German Pugwash

conferences – Origins, achievements and working mode. The end of the Cold War and the challenges of the future) in: Stephan Albrecht, Hans-Joachim Bieber, Reiner Braun, Peter Croll, Henner Ehringhaus, Maria Finkh, Hartmut Graßl, Ernst-Ulrich von Weizsäcker (Hrsg.): Wissenschaft-Verantwortung-Frieden: 50 Jahre VDW, Berliner Wissenschafts-Verlag, Berlin 2009, S. 377-392.

In this paper, written for the anniversary volume on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the Federation of German Scientists, Goetz Neuneck summarises the origins, achievements and working mode of the Pugwash Movement and the German Pugwash Group.

Oliver Meier: German Nuclear Stance Stirs Debate, in: Arms Control Today 10/2009, S. 30-36.

The article analyses reactions to the German government's initiative to advocate withdrawal of US nuclear weapons from Germany and Europe.

Oliver Meier: „Obamas Nein zu den Raketen in Mitteleuropa“ („Obama says no to missile defence in Central Europe“), in: WeltTrends 69/2009, S. 5-7.

The commentary evaluates the implications of the Obama administration's decision to not deploy missile defence bases in Poland and the Czech Republic.

Detlef Bald/Hans-Günter Fröhling/Jürgen Groß(Hrsg.), Vom Unbehagen am Normverlust zum Unbehagen mit der Norm? Bundeswehr im Krieg – wie kann die Innere Führung überleben? (From the uneasiness of the abolished norm to the uneasiness of a normative approach. German Bundeswehr at war – how can the „Innere Führung“ (Internal Organisation of the Armed Forces) survive?), **Hamburger Beiträge Heft 152, Dezember 2009.**

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In October 2009 Colonel, General-Staff member Tomislav Galić joined the IFSH as a „Baudissin Fellow“. He studied construction and traffic engineering in Osijek and Zagreb in Croatia. From November 1998 until October 2000 Tomislav Galić participated in the Generalstabslehrgang of the Führungsakademie der Bundeswehr in Hamburg. Colonel Galić held an office at the department of Foreign Policy at the Croatian Ministry of Defence and at the planning department of the Croatian military staff and was defence attaché of Croatia in Austria.



Eric van Um started working as a research assistant at the IFSH in October 2009. Eric van Um studied political science and economics at the Universities of Mannheim and Heidelberg and graduated with a master's degree in 2007. Following his graduation, he worked at a private institute offering security consultancy in The Hague, the Netherlands. From 2008 to 2009 he successfully completed the postgraduate Master's program MPS at the IFSH writing his final thesis

on the rationality of terrorists. In October 2009, Eric van Um started working at the IFSH and joined the EUSECON-project team as a researcher. His main areas of research are counter-terrorism policies and economic issues of terrorism.

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Dr Armin Wagner, Colonel, General-Staff member (military fellow/IFSH) left the IFSH on 30 November 2010. He is now working as a Referent for the Federal President's Office. Armin Wagner worked at the institute from 2006 until 2009 as an ambassador of the German Bundeswehr. He worked on issues of the German Bundeswehr and the German military engagement for the United Nations. During his work at the IFSH he engaged in a mission of the UN in Sudan (UNMIS) from November 2008 till May 2009. He now belongs to the planning group of the Office of the Federal President and is staff member of the Private Office of the Federal President.

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