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ERC PROJECT | What is “good life” in times of crisis?

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Assistant Professor Anne Saab shares “bits” of her intellectual journey through international law.
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Prof. Pauwelyn explores the added value of using data-driven research as compared to other more traditional methods, but also the challenges of this type of research.
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Glenda Sluga, Professor at the University of Sydney, traces the links between environmental and business actors in the 1970s and their impact on global environmental governance. Read more>

Anca Paducel provides evidence that it works from a field experiment. Read more>

After a successful first call in May, the Institute is launching its second call, open to full-time faculty – other than full professors – with multiyear contracts. Read more>

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RESEARCH PROJECT FUNDING AND PRIZES AWARDED

PROJECT FUNDING

- Seven SNSF grants awarded to
  - Nico Krisch for the project "Interface Law: Legal Interactions between Spheres of Authority in Global Economic Governance", June 2017–May 2020. Read more>
  - Harald Hau (UNIGE) and Yi Huang (Graduate Institute) for the project "Fintech at Alibaba: What Automated Firm Credit Reveals about the Inefficiency of Chinese banking?", October 2017–September 2020. This project is a collaboration between the Graduate Institute and the Swiss Finance Institute.
  - Joëlle Noailly for the NRP 73 project "Financing Investments in Clean Technologies", jointly submitted with Gaétan de Rassenfosse, EPFL Chair of Management and
SNIS grant awarded to Liliana Andonova
For the project "Effectiveness of Partnerships for Advancing the Sustainable Development Goals: Behavioural Pathways and Impacts", jointly submitted with Gilles Carbonnier.
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PRIZES

♦ 2017 Pierre du Bois Prize awarded to Felix Ohnmacht
Dr Ohnmacht received this prize, awarded annually for the best doctoral thesis in International History, for "Epistemic Dark Matter: Knowledge in the Sagas of Popular Scientists in Basel’s Enlightenment Period”.
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♦ 2017 Mariano Garcia Rubio Prize awarded to Flavia Tritto and Francesca Dal Poggetto
Flavia Tritto and Francesca Dal Poggetto received this prize, awarded annually for the best Master’s dissertation in International Law, respectively for “Law according to Art: Possible Insights from Outsiders’ Perspectives” and “The ‘Enrica Lexie” Incident (Italy v. India): A Solution within the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea?”.

♦ Prix Arditi 2017 pour Elsa Romera Moreno
Ce prix, qui récompense chaque année le meilleur mémoire de master en études internationales ou affaires internationales, est décerné à Elsa Romera Moreno pour "Accès humanitaire en Syrie : lorsque l’Etat s’oppose à l’assistance humanitaire”.

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Wednesday 1 November | Graduate Institute’s Seed Money Grants >

Wednesday 15 November | IWM Junior Visiting Fellowships >

Thursday 30 November | Call of the EU-India Platform for the Social Sciences and Humanities >

Thursday 30 November | Latsis Prize >

Wednesday 28 February 2018 | Graduate Institute’s Publishing Grants >

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LECTURES AND SEMINARS

Time Variant Risk Preferences in Agriculture: Evidence from Italy
Thursday 19 October, 16:15 - 17:30, Petal 2, Room S3
ECON seminar of the Centre for International Environmental Studies (CIES), with Martina Bozzola, ETH Zurich.

Sectoral Technology and Productivity Slowdown
Monday 23 October, 12:30 - 13:45, Petal 2, Room S2
Dep. of International Economics' Brown Bag Lunch, with Agustin Velasquez.

International Economics Research Seminar
Tuesday 24 October, 14:15-15:45, Petal 2, Room S1
With Andreas Tischbirek, University of Lausanne, TBC.

Orphaned Landscapes: Figurations and Disfigurations of Place in Precarious Times >
Tuesday 24 October, 16:15 - 18:00, Petal 2, Room S1
Weekly ANSO seminar with Patricia Spyer, Professor in Anthropology and Sociology.

A Political Ecology of Plant Invaders: Biogeography, Biopower, and Biotropes
Thursday 26 October, 12:15 - 13:30, Petal 1, Room 847
Lunch Seminar of the Centre for International Environmental Studies (CIES), with Christian Kulls, Professor, Faculty of Geosciences and Environment, University of Lausanne. Lunch is provided. To register >

Gendering the Economics of Superstars: (The Lack of) Female Hitmakers in French Rap Music (1990–2015) >
Thursday 26 October, 12:30 - 13:45, Petal 3, Room 506
Lunch Seminar of the Centre for International Environmental Studies (CIES), with Karim Hammou, CNRS (in French).

Migration and Educational Aspirations
Monday 30 October, 12:30 - 13:45, Petal 2, Room S2
Department of International Economics' Brown Bag Lunch, with Yanming Kan.

What's New on the Copperbelt? Discourse and Practices of "Innovation" in Anthropology >
Tuesday 31 October, 16:15 - 18:00, Petal 2, Room S1
Weekly ANSO Seminar with Ellen Hertz, Professor of Anthropology at the University of Neuchâtel.

Business Cycles and the Cross Section of Currency Returns
Tuesday 31 October, 14:15 - 15:45, Petal 2, Room S1

The Multiplication of International Courts and Tribunals: Much Ado about Nothing?
Wednesday 1 November, 18:00, Villa Moynier, Salle Cassese
Workshop of the Centre for International Environmental Studies (CIES) with Tullio Treves, professor of International Law at the University of Milan. To register >

What Are the Implications of Artificial Intelligence for UN SOGI Policies? >
Wednesday 1 November, 18:30 - 20:00, Room A2
Public lecture/Gender Seminar Series with Cynthia Weber, University of Sussex, organised jointly with the PSIG. Registration required.

Gendered Resistance to Large-Scale Land Acquisitions in Cambodia >
Thursday 2 November, 12:30 - 13:45, Petal 3, Room 506
Lunch Briefing/Gender Seminar Series, with Saba Joshi, Graduate Insititute.

Returns to Farm Child Labor in Tanzania
Thursday 2 November, 16:15 - 17:30, Petal 2, Room S3
ECON seminar of the Centre for International Environmental Studies (CIES), with Christelle Dumas, Université de Fribourg.

Empirical Estimation of the Bank Lending Channel: A Time-Varying Approach
Monday 6 November, 12:30 - 13:45, Petal 2, Room S2
Department of International Economics' Brown Bag Lunch, with Richard Varghese.

Department of International Law Faculty Workshop
Monday 6 November
With Anne Saab, open to faculty members and students only.

Pericles: Strategic Genius or Performance Artist?
Tuesday 7 November, 12:15 - 13:30, Room S8
International Relations/Political Science Colloquium, with Michael Loriaux, Northwestern University. Followed by a discussion.

Agency Conflicts around the World
Tuesday 7 November, 14:15 - 15:45, Petal 2, Room S1
University of Lausanne/International Economics Research Seminar, with Boris Nikolov.

Le gouvernement des mines au Soudan >
Tuesday 7 November, 16:15 - 18:00, Petal 2, Room S1
Weekly ANSO Seminar, with **Raphaëlle Chevrillon-Guibert**, Research Fellow at the French National Research Institute for Sustainable Development.

**Designing against Evil? Breakthroughs in Violence Prevention >**
**Thursday 9 November, 12:30 - 14:00, Room A1B**
CCDP event with **Keith Krause**, Anna Leander and Jonathan Austin, in the frame of the yearly Geneva Peace Week organised by the Geneva Peacebuilding Platform.

**Solar Lights Addressing Energy Poverty and Energy Sustainability: A Double-Dividend Technology for Poor Areas?**
**Thursday 9 November, 16:15 - 17:30, Petal 2, Room S3**
ECON seminar of the Centre for International Environmental Studies (CIES), with **Isabel Günther**, ETH Zurich.

**Population Aging and the Housing Prices**
**Monday 13 November, 12:30 - 13:45, Petal 2, Room S2**
Department of International Economics' Brown Bag Lunch, with **Yejin Heo**.

**Feminist Whiteness: Race, Religion, Nationalism and the Political Subjectivation of White Feminists in France and Québec >**
**Tuesday 14 November, 16:00 - 17:30, Petal 2, Room S1.**
Weekly ANSO Seminar with **Eléonore Lépinard**, Professor in Gender Studies, Université de Lausanne.

**Speaking Truth: The Language of Politics in Decolonising Burundi**
**Tuesday 14 November, 16:15 - 18:00, Room S6 (to be confirmed)**
International History Doctoral Seminar, with **Aidan Russell**.

**Financial Cycles with Heterogeneous Intermediaries**
**Tuesday 14 November, 14:15 - 15:45, Petal 2, Room S1**

**The History of the Family: The Common Roots of Europe >**
**Wednesday 15 November, 18:00 - 19:30**
Public Lecture / Gender Seminar Series with **Dalia Leinarté**, UN CEDAW Committee and Vytautas Magnus University (Lithuania). Registration required

**Contemporary Fantasies of the Colombian Nation. Beauty, Citizenship, and Sex >**
**Thursday 16 November, 12:30 - 13:45, Petal 3, Room 506**
Lunch Briefing/Gender Seminar Series, with **Isis Giraldo**, Université de Lausanne.

**The Orontes River Basin: In and Post-Conflict Challenges**
**Thursday 16 November, 12:15 - 13:30, Petal 1, Room 847**
Lunch Seminar of the Centre for International Environmental Studies (CIES), with **Ronald Jaubert**. Lunch is provided. To register >

**Department of International Law Literature Forum**
**Thursday 16 November**
With **Surabhi Ranganathan**, University Lecturer in International Law, Fellow of the Lauterpacht Centre for International Law, and Fellow and Director of Studies in Law at King's College, University of Cambridge. Open to faculty members and students only

**PhD DEFENCES**

**Essays in Development Economics and Applied Econometrics**
**Monday 23 October, 14:00, Petal 2, Room S9**
**Rahul Mehrotra**, Development Economics. Committee members: Lore Vandewalle (Co-Director), Ugo Panizza (Co-Director), Jean-Louis Arcand and Professor Stefan Klonner, Development Economics, South Asia Institute (SAI), Heidelberg University, Germany.

**The Kalaydji Roma: Encountering Self, State and Other**
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BOOK | The Malvinas/Falklands between History and Law: Refutation of the British Pamphlet “Getting It Right: The Real History of the Falklands/Malvinas”
Using first-hand information, this book by Marcelo Kohen with F. Rodriguez (CreateSpace Independent Publishing Platform, 2017) is an indispensable source for understanding the positions of the parties to the still pending dispute between UK and Argentina.
Publisher information >

BOOK | Peacebuilding and Spatial Transformation: Peace, Space and Place
Edited by A. Björkdahl and S. Kappler, this book of the CCDP Routledge Series (2017) conceptualises peacebuilding agency in post-conflict landscapes as situated between place and space, analysing the ways in which peacebuilding agency can be read as a spatial practice.
Publisher information >

ARTICLE | Bróderes in Arms: Gangs and the socialization of violence in Nicaragua
In this article (Journal of Peace Research 2017, vol. 54, no. 5), Visiting Professor Dennis Rodgers highlights how gang socialisation is not only a variable multilayered process, but also a very volatile one, which
suggests that the socialisation of violence and its consequences are not necessarily enduring.

ARTICLE | Sanctions, Conflict Prevention and Peacebuilding: Coercing Non-State Armed Actors in Africa
Based on the cases of the Revolutionary United Front and Union for the Total Independence of Angola, this article (Journal of Peacebuilding and Development, 12:1, 2017) by John Agbonifo (visiting fellow at the PSIG) seeks to explore how factors designed to alter the behaviour of state actors may not translate well to the context of NSAAs because they ignore the peculiarities of the latter.

PhD DEFENCE | Acquisition of Territory by Force in Contemporary International Law
By Leila Urekenova, International Law. 9 October 2017. Committee members: Marcelo Kohen (director), Vincent Chetail and Yuval Shany, Faculty of Law, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel.

PhD DEFENCE | When the Conflict Ends, While Uncertainty Continues: Accounting for Missing Persons between War and Peace
By Alessandra La Vaccara, International Law. 9 October 2017. Vincent Chetail (director), Paola Gaeta, Manfred Nowak, Faculty of Law, University of Vienna, Austria.

By Caio Simões de Araújo, International History. 16 October 2017. Committee members: Shalini Randeria and Gopalan Balachandran (codirectors), Nicole Bourbonnais, and Pamela Gupta, Wits Institute for Social and Economic Research (WISER), University of Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, South Africa

Development Policies and Practices
BOOK | Alternative Pathways to Sustainable Development: Lessons from Latin America
This issue of International Development Policy edited by Gilles Carbonnier, H. Campodónico and S. Tezanos Vázquez looks at recent paradigmatic innovations and related development trajectories in Latin America. It examines the diverse development narratives and experiences in countries such as Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador and Peru. Publisher information >

PhD DEFENCE | Returnees and the Development Project in Bengaluru: Brokering Modernity from the In-Between
By Rosemary George, Anthropology and Sociology of Development. 27 September 2017. Committee members: Isabelle Milbert (director), Alessandro Monsutti, Valerio Simoni and Binod Khadria, ICCR Chair of Contemporary Studies, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, School of Management and Labor Relations, Piscataway, USA.

PhD DEFENCE | World Bank Development Interventions in Ethiopia: The Case of Wolayta Agricultural Development Unit (WADU), 1970–82
By Surafel Gelgelo Kumsa, International History. 2 October 2017. Committee members: Gareth Austin (director), Aidan Russell and Carlos Oya, Research Coordinator, Department of Development Studies, University of London.

Environment and Natural Resource
ARTICLE | Global Population Growth, Technology, and Malthusian Constraints: A Quantitative Growth Theoretic Perspective
This article (International Economic Review, vol. 58, no. 3, August 2017)
by Tim Swanson, Bruno Lanz and Simon Dietz focuses on the following questions: How much further will the global population expand? Can all these extra mouths be fed? And what is the role in this story of economic growth?

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ARTICLE | La protección ambiental en el derecho consuetudinario internacional
Jorge Viñuales (Revista española de derecho internacional, vol. 69, no. 2, 2017) focuses on the current state of customary international law as regards environmental protection.
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WORKING PAPER | Do Firms Innovate if They Can Relocate? Evidence from the Steel Industry
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WORKING PAPER | How Does Environmental Regulation Shape Economic Development? A Tax Competition Model of China
By Pedro Naso and Timothy Swanson (CIES Research Paper no. 54, 2017).
Access >

WORKING PAPER | The Porter Hypothesis Goes to China: Spatial Development, Environmental Regulation and Productivity
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WORKING PAPER | Driven Up the Wall? Role of environmental regulation in innovation along the automotive global value chain
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PhD THESIS | Innovation and Diffusion of New Technologies: In and Out the Green Sector
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Finance and Development

WORKING PAPER | A Note on the Economics of Philanthropy
In this working paper of the International Economics Department (no. 19, 2017), Nathalie Monnet and Ugo Panizza provide some estimates of philanthropic giving in advanced and middle-income economies and discuss how innovative financial instruments can leverage charitable giving. They conclude with a discussion of the controversial aspects of philanthropic activities.
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WORKING PAPER | Does Greece Need More Official Debt Relief? If So, How Much?
In this PIIE Working Paper (no. 17-6, 2017), Jeromin Zettelmeyer, Eike Kreplin and Ugo Panizza first show that the disagreement as to whether Greece should receive additional official debt relief, and if so how much, can be attributed to competing assumptions about Greece’s future capacity to repay, particularly about economic growth and the fiscal primary balance. They next evaluate the plausibility of alternative primary balance assumptions using international evidence about fiscal adjustment experiences.
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PhD DEFENCE | Three Essays in Development Economics
By Chris Hudson, Development Economics. 3 October 2017. Committee members: Martina Viarengo (director), Jean-Louis Arcand and Jordi
Gender

BOOK CHAPTER | Social Mechanisms: A Methodological Tool for Feminist IR
Elisabeth Prügl has contributed to The Art of World-Making: Nicholas Greenwood Onuf and His Critics (Routledge, May 2017), which not only honours Greenwood Onuf, but also ranges widely across IR theory, considering the place of Constructivism and Republicanism in the field and the contestation that accompanies the question of this place.
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WORKING PAPER | Identities and Public Policies: Unintended Effects of Political Reservations for Women in India
In this paper of the International Economics Department (no. 18, 2017), Guilhem Cassan and Lore Vandewalle show that the multiplicity of identity dimensions matters for economic behavior and that neglecting it may lead policymakers to overlook important, unintended effects of economic policies.
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PhD DEFENCE | Reforming Islam, Recasting Secularism: Muslim Women Leading a Quiet Revolution in India
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Global Health

BOOK | Pathways to Global Health: Case Studies in Global Health Diplomacy
This book (Global Health Diplomacy 5, World Scientific, February 2017), co-edited by Stephen Matlin and Ilona Kickbusch, focuses on health diplomacy negotiations, in Geneva and elsewhere, that have involved WHO or that have substantial implications for the work of WHO. Three chapters involve Ilona Kickbush:
♦ Introduction: Charting Pathways in Global Health Diplomacy, with Stephen Matlin, p. 1–13
♦ How Should the World Health Organization Reform? An Analysis and Review of the Literature, with Andrew Cassels, Michaela Told and Ioana Ghiga, p. 39–87
♦ Conclusions: Shifting Pathways in Global Health Diplomacy, with Stephen Matlin, p. 313–52
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BOOK | Health Diplomacy: European Perspectives
This book (World Health Organization, 2017), edited by Ilona Kickbusch and Mihály Kökény, is part of the WHO Regional Office for Europe’s response to the WHO Regional Committee for Europe’s 2010 request that it strengthen the capacity of diplomats and health officials in global health diplomacy. It presents 17 case studies that illustrate recent developments in the WHO European Region.
In this article (Health Economics, Policy and Law, vol. 12, no. 2, 2017), Suerie Moon, John-Arne Rottingen and Julio Frenk conclude that strengthening global arrangements for GPGs today is a worthy investment for improved global health in the years to come.

Reports on the response to Ebola broadly agree on what needs to be done to deal with disease outbreaks. But Suerie Moon and colleagues find in this contribution (BMJ 2017; 356:j280) that the world is not yet prepared for future outbreaks.

In this study (PLoS ONE, vol. 12, no. 5: e0177770), Sandeep Juneja, Aastha Gupta, Suerie Moon and Stephen Resch estimate the savings generated by licences negotiated by the MPP for antiretroviral medicines to treat HIV/AIDS in low- and middle-income countries for the period 2010–2028.

As part of the book series Business and Public Policy (Cambridge), Liliana Andonova provide the first study to leverage comprehensive quantitative and qualitative analysis that illuminates the variable politics and outcomes of public-private partnerships across multilateral institutions.

Laura Dulci’s husband died in the 19 August 2003 terrorist attack against the United Nations Headquarters in Baghdad, Iraq. Her book, published with the support of the PSIG, juxtaposes her personal story with thorough research on victims of terrorism, providing a synthesis of different perspectives on terrorism victimisation.


PhD DEFENCE | Altruism in International Law
By Jason Rudall, International Law. 29 September 2017. Committee
Migration and Refugees

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WORKING PAPER | Solidarity and Sanctuary: The Guatemalan Exodus and the Diocese of San Cristobal de las Casas
By Noah Oehri (Global Migration Research Paper, no. 18, 2017).
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PhD DEFENCE | The Right to Family and Private Life as a Limitation to the Expulsion of Non-National under International Law
Committee members: Vincent Chetail (director), Andrew Clapham and Peter Kristina Touzenis, Head of the International Migration Unit, IOM, Geneva.

Trade and Economic Integration

BOOK CHAPTER | Not As Preferential As You May Think: How Mega-Regionals Can Benefit Third Countries
By Joost Pauwelyn in Mega-Regional Trade Agreements (Springer, 2017, edited by Thilo Rensmann), a book that provides in-depth analysis of "Mega-Regionals", the new generation of transregional free-trade agreements (FTAs) currently under negotiation, and their effect on the future of international economic law.
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WORKING PAPER | India’s Proposal for Trade Facilitation of Services: A Breath of Fresh Air for Global Trade?
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WORKING PAPER | Text-as-Data Analysis of Preferential Trade Agreements: Mapping the PTA Landscape
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WORKING PAPER | Why Is There So Little Litigation under Free Trade Agreements? Retaliation and Adjudication in International Dispute Settlement
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PhD DEFENCE | Cross Border Cartels in Latin America: A Transnational Competition Assessment

PhD DEFENCE | Trade and Environment Governance at the WTO CTE
By Manuel Teehankee, International Law. 10 October 2017. Joost Pauwelyn (director), Liliana Andonova and Peter van den Bossche, Member of the Appellate Body, WTO.

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