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Editorial

2020 has been a challenging year for all of us. The Covid-19 pandemic has changed our daily lives, interactions, communications, as well as our research environment and priorities. The long-term effects on international politics are still difficult to predict, but it has become increasingly clear that the pandemic has furthered and exacerbated societal divisions and social inequalities within and between societies. 2020 was mainly dominated by lockdowns, the closure of borders, travel bans, intrusions on democratic rights and liberties, and a rise in nationalistic and xenophobic rhetoric. The pandemic has further highlighted the lack of global solidarity as well as shifting power balances, including the EU's waning power in the immediate neighbourhood. The effects of the pandemic on the economies and political systems of countries in the Western Balkans as well as the MENA region are yet to be determined, but the situation is certainly worrisome. Moreover, extremist and radical groups have been successfully exploiting the pandemic for their own propaganda and the spread of fake news. At the same time, the murder of George Floyd mobilized thousands of people to stand up against racism and discrimination and the election of Joe Biden as 46th President of the United States has given rise to hopes for a renewal of multilateralism and transatlantic relations.

As an independent institute situated at the juncture between academic and policy-oriented research, the oiip team has been closely following these developments. In early summer 2020, we published our first "Corona Papers", a series of policy analyses that deal with the mid- and long-term effects of the pandemic on certain regions such as Turkey or the Western Balkans, as well as on issue areas such as global gender equality and extremist radicalisation.

Lockdowns and travel restrictions have had a serious impact on our work at the oiip. After all, field research, interviews, workshops, conferences, meetings, dialogue and exchange make up an essential part of our activities. While this has certainly affected our research practices, we have explored new platforms and ways of exchange. Online panels and seminars have helped overcome spatial distance and enabled debates with renowned experts across the world, but also opened access to scholars and activists with limited access to international travel. This has brought new voices to our conversations. Moreover, digital methodologies have helped us rethink the concept of the "field" and how we engage with actors relevant to our research. In a time where our radius of movement and interaction has been strongly limited, research on developments in other parts of the world has become more relevant than ever. Despite the "localization" of our lives, the pandemic has also highlighted the interconnectedness of the local and the global.

Beyond the pandemic, our research in 2020 focused on our three major research areas: 1) Security politics and political violence, 2) Europe and its neighbourhood and 3) Innovation policy in a global

context. Under these focal points, we conducted research on topics such as border security, terrorism, extremist and radicalism, de-radicalization, geostrategic shifts in Europe's neighbourhood, the state of democracy and the rise of authoritarianism, and innovation policies and their implementation in the MENA region. You can find a list and short description of the projects conducted and the policy analyses, articles and book contributions published in 2020 in this report. We are proud that we have been able to produce in total 35 publications, successfully acquire new research projects of which three will be starting in 2021, organize and implement 15 public events, take part, despite the pandemic, in 35 external conferences and workshops, and train 10 interns. Our experts were interviewed by national and international media 91 times and we have taught more than 486 hours of classes at universities.

In 2020, we were also able to start new co-operations. Besides our long existing co-operations with the Austrian Ministry of Defense and the Danube University Krems, we are now also collaborating with the University of Vienna in the form of joint research activities, events, teaching and trainings. With national radio Ö1, we started an ongoing jointly event series, the so-called Europagespräche, the "Europe talks" which bring together experts from different fields for discussions on Europe, EU politics, and foreign policy. We have further worked with the US Embassy in Vienna for the "A brand new world. Shifting powers in international politics" online series. The series so far addressed the changing US policy towards the Middle East Conflict and its repercussions for the region, the future of democracy and social movements in the United States, as well as US policies towards China and Beijing's regional and global strategies. The series will be continued throughout 2021.

In 2020, the oiip also started an initiative to internationalize our staff and expertise . We successfully supported the project applications of excellent post-doctoral scholars for the Ernst Mach Fellowship of the Austrian Exchange Service (OeAD) as well as for the Swedish Research Council. The oiip is proud that all applications were approved and happy to be hosting Irene Constantini (University of Naples), Yasmin Chilmeran (Swedish Institute of International Affairs), and Sanna Strand (Stockholm University) in Vienna in 2021. This is also one of the reasons why we are publishing this report on our activities in English.

Last but not least, the oiip has relocated to a new address. Our office is now at: Währinger Straße 3/12, 1090 Vienna.

We look forward to welcoming you on our new premises as soon as it is feasible and safe!

Cengiz Günay

Saskia Stachowitsch

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Mission Statement

Institute

The Austrian Institute for International Affairs (oiip) is an independent research institute founded in 1979 and committed to fundamental research in the field of international politics. The oiip is Austria's leading institute in this field and is positioned at the juncture between academic and policy oriented research. Besides international academic publishing the Institute's researchers are engaged in teaching, policy consultancy and public awareness raising.

Solutions

We take practical, independent and courageous socio-political positions and develop solution approaches which we offer to national and European representatives of politics, administration, economy and society. We are a meeting point and a venue for critical thinking and international and interdisciplinary debates and exchange. As such, the Institute's work contributes to Austria's internationalisation.

Self

We work to enhance an informed and unbiased view of world politics. Diversity and gender equality are our core assets, which we aim to promote. The Institute is also committed to the best possible career development of its staff members. Both, internally and externally we live respect, open communication and transparency.

Research Areas

Our research activities take place within three focal areas. The research topics within these areas are open to change. In 2020 we conducted research to these topics.

Security politics and political violence

Our research focuses on issues of security and security politics: We address the question how and by whom security, insecurity and risks are defined, and whose security is considered to be relevant. We analyse security policies, institutions, technologies, and practices from the perspective of critical security studies, including feminist and postcolonial approaches. Additionally, we research the forms, characteristics, causes, processes, and effects of terrorism, extremism, radicalization as well as hybrid threats to Austrian, European and global security. We take different ideological orientations as well as individual, group, and state actors into account.

Research topics in this area:

- Border politics
- Gender and security; women, peace, and security
- International security regimes /institutions
- Terrorism and anti-terrorism policies
- Extremism and radicalization
- Hybrid threats

Europe and its neighborhood

Our research focuses on the relations between the EU and its immediate neighborhood: the Western Balkan states, Turkey, and the Middle East and Northern Africa (MENA) region. We examine the effects of the EU accession processes, the European Neighborhood Policy, and analyse the foreign policies of these countries towards the EU. We further investigate the societal and political dynamics within these countries with a focus on democratization processes, the factors which contribute to the rise of authoritarian and illiberal forces, the functioning of state and political institutions, as well as their impact on the foreign relations of the respective states.

Research topics in this area:

- The EU and its relations with the neighborhood
- Politics of: Turkey, the Balkan and MENA states
- Democracy and activism
- Autocratization
- The transformation of state and statehood
- Migration and transnational politics

Innovation policy in a global context

Globalization and innovation pressure make research, technology, and innovation a dynamic policy field, in which technological and societal developments are being anticipated, designed, and shaped. We investigate strategies of internationalization, socio-political challenges, and risks associated with new technologies and their governance in the context of broader social and political discourses and processes.

Research topics in this area:

- Relations between innovation, politics, and (in)security
- Internationalization of research, technology, and innovation
- Socio-technical visions and their effect on innovation and technology policies

Regional Focus

Our research is regionally focused on the EU, the Western Balkans, Turkey, and the MENA region. We additionally provide expertise on the role of the USA in the world and Euro-Atlantic relations.

We are connected with partner institutions, researchers, civil society actors, political actors, and media representatives in our focal regions. We cooperate within different platforms as well as international and regional networks, and we conduct in-depth field work within these regions.

2020 IN NUMBERS

- 12 Projects
- 35 Publications
- 15 Events
- 35 Participations in Conferences
- 486 Hours of Teaching
- 91 Media Appearances
- 10 University Interns

Research 2020

In 2020, the institute has been more active than ever. The following pages list the research activities conducted at oiip throughout the year. These include funded research projects that were implemented and/or designed and submitted in 2020, published project reports, policy analyses, policy briefs, and working papers that are part of one of our co-operations with the Austrian Ministry of Defense, the Danube University Krems or the University of Vienna. The research activities and policy papers are organized along our major research areas and the research topics we have pursued. While the research areas highlight the continuity of the institute's foci, the topics vary from year to year according to specific projects, developments in the world, and the expertise of our researchers. This section also includes our special publications on the Covid-19 pandemic and its impact on international politics as well as our contributions to edited volumes and peer reviewed articles in scholarly journals.

Security Politics and Political Violence

1.1 Border Politics

Project: The Politics of Research and Development in Border Security. The Meaning of Security Imaginaries for R&D as Security Practice

This project inquires the connection between the politics of border control and the politics of Research and Development (R&D) in the EU. It explores, how conceptualizations of security are translated into the process of technology development, thus explaining R&D as a practice of border security. Empirically, this project focuses on the EU's Research Framework Programs, in particular FP7 and Horizon 2020, as within these programs, a multitude of actors, reaching from border police to private security industry companies participate in technology development and thus assume a transformative role in shaping conceptualizations of border security and control.

Funded by: DOC-Stipend of the Austrian Academy of Sciences (ÖAW)

Duration: July 2019 – June 2022

Project Lead: Clemens Binder



In addition to the DOC Stipend, Clemens Binder was able to obtain for his project the Marietta Blau-Scholarship of the Austrian Agency for Education and Internationalisation which allows to conduct research abroad; at Université Libre de Bruxelles (ULB) as well as King's College London for four months each. Due to the Covid19-pandemic however, the stay in Brussels had to be interrupted and the stay in London was postponed to autumn 2021. At the ULB, a large part of fieldwork for the project was completed.

Project: Risky Borders: Gender, Race and (In)Security in Frontex's Risk Analysis

The project examines the role of the European Border and Coast Guard Agency (Frontex) in the reproduction and transformation of gender and racial inequalities and insecurities. In several case studies on border security operations in the Mediterranean Sea, particular focus will be placed on risk analysis in this process. The project was granted and will start in 2021

Funded by: Austrian Science Fund (FWF)
Duration: March 2021 – February 2025
Project lead: Saskia Stachowitzsch
Collaborators: Julia Sachseder

oiip Policy Analysis 5, September 2020

Clemens Binder

National or European Borders? Italy and Spain as the places where EU border politics are practiced - Nationale oder Europäische Grenzen? Italien und Spanien als Orte der EU-Grenzpolitik zwischen humanitärem Anspruch und restriktiver Wirklichkeit

While border security and control are increasingly approached through common European measures, nation states situated at the external borders have a substantial influence on how border control policies are shaped and practiced. The policy analysis analyses national border control practices in Italy and Spain and aims at shedding light on the tensions and interactions between these member states and the EU.

1.2 Peace and Security regimes, and institutions

oiip Working Paper Nr. 108, August 2020

Michael Stellwag & Saskia Stachowitzsch, with the collaboration of Clemens Binder

PESCO als „Game Changer“: Zur sicherheitspolitischen Akteursfähigkeit der EU und Österreichs Beitrag

Im Instrument der Gemeinsamen Sicherheits- und Verteidigungspolitik (GSVP) der Europäischen Union (EU) PESCO schließen sich EU-Mitgliedstaaten zusammen, um im Rahmen von Projekten ihre militärischen Fähigkeiten und Kapazitäten schrittweise zu verbessern. Das Arbeitspapier untersucht die Entwicklung konkreter verteidigungsrelevanter Kapazitäten.

The International Peace Architecture of the 21st Century: Mapping Changes in Norms, Actors and Practices

The project aims at mapping how changes in the international peace architecture of the 21st century are affecting the international response to conflict crises in the Middle East and North Africa. To do so, the project departs from the "peacebuilding consensus" of the 1990s and early 2000s; it

examines continuities and changes in norms, actors and practices prevailing over the last two decades; and investigates their implications through a case study on the reconstruction of Mosul in Iraq.

Irene Constantini,

University of Naples, L'Orientale, Ernts Mach Grant

Funded by: OeAD - Austria's Agency for Education and Internationalisation

Duration: January 2021 – June 2021

Mapping Connections Between Women's Formal and Informal Participation in Peacebuilding: Linking Local and Global Organising in Iraq and Syria.

This project aims to examine and analyse the work of women's civil society organisations in peacebuilding in post-conflict Iraq. This project has two parts: First, I analyse previously collected and new data to draw new knowledge about the nature of Iraqi women's participation in peacebuilding and opportunities for that participation in post-2003 Iraq and second, develop a collaborative project for research that expands this and applies it to other conflict contexts in the MENA region.

Yasmin Chilmeran, Monash University, Australia, Ernts Mach Grant

Funded by: OeAD - Austria's Agency for Education and Internationalisation

Duration: March 2021 – September 2021

1.3. Terrorism, Extremism and Radicalization

oiip Report, July 2020.

Erik Hacker, Daniela Pisoiu, Lena Hager

Terrorism trends and scenarios - 2020/Q2 including the impact of COVID-19

This report presents an update of the most likely terrorism scenarios of relevance for the Austrian and European security policy as per the second quarter of 2020, as well as developments related to relevant trends and factors impacting terrorism. The most likely scenarios remain: low-scale CBRN and cyberterrorist attacks; medium- to large-scale jihadi attacks, and low- to medium-scale lone-wolf attacks by jihadi and right-wing perpetrators in Europe and North America. The pandemic has had a 'positive' effect on low-scale CBRN and cyberterrorist attacks; it has however not significantly influenced the nature and intensity of conventional attacks. Jihadi and far right propaganda and

activities have intensified, in part due to the instrumentalization of the pandemic. A number of terrorism related factors have also worsened as a result, in particular economic development and state fragility.

oiip Policy Analysis 7, December 2020

Erik Hacker & Daniela Pisoiu

Terrorismustrends: Jihadistische Propaganda auf sozialen Medien im deutschsprachigen Raum

Die Analyse befasst sich mit der Online-Welt der Dschihad-Subkultur rund um den Wiener Attentäter und gibt einen Einblick in ihre Diskurse und Ästhetik. Mit dem Niedergang des Kalifats hat sich ein Großteil der Jihad-Aktivitäten des IS ins Internet verlagert. Das führt dazu, dass Sympathisanten in Europa ein größeres Gewicht bekommen, auch wenn sich FTFs (foreign terrorist fighters) weiterhin vor Ort in Syrien und im Irak befinden.

Terrorismustrends Report, December 2020

Daniela Pisoiu

The report contains an update of the scenarios and trends, including jihadism and right-wing terrorism.

Friedrich Ebert Stiftung, Political Trends & Dynamics, Volume 3, 2020, 5-7

Vedran Dzihic & Gazela Pudar Drasko

Ready for the ride on the crisis wave? On narratives, tools and tactics of far right in Southeast Europe

Narratives and tools of the extremist far right have entered politics and society across Europe. Southeast Europe is no exception. The far right is fed by the historical revisionism spanning the Second World War and the Yugoslav wars. It serves as a tool of promoting antagonizing politics and polarization of the society. “Us” and “them” is being moralized in ethnic terms, fueling strong anti-establishment and anti-representative democracy feelings, and finally serving as a tool to autocratization of societies.

Southeast Europe, edited analysis, FES Studies, Vedran Dzihic et al (2020).

Vedran Dzihic

Radical Political Engagement

The region of Southeast Europe faces rise of radicalized political engagement. The level of divisiveness and polarization we are witnessing today demands a more interconnected relation between pressing social issues and research done in the confines of academia. This publication offers insights into the social processes driving the radical forms of political engagement, but also provides us with some useful insights into how academia could provide additional inputs into the dynamics of radicalization and become more situated in pressing social and political issues.

Project: PRE-MAP: The periphery of right-wing extremism as an ecosystem driving hate speech: mapping and analysing the German-speaking YouTube-scene

The project is based on the assumption that the confrontation with and the creation of hate speech on YouTube promotes radicalisation processes and can also contribute to the physical use of violence. The main objectives of the project are to map the progression of hate speech within the most relevant German-speaking YouTube clusters propelling hate speech, to analyse the framing of the main narratives, and to understand the networks and interactions between these actors and clusters that make up the structure of this ecosystem. The project starts in 2021.

Funded by: EU/Justice Programme (JUST) - Rights, Equality and Citizenship Programme (REC)

Duration: Starting in 2021 for a period of 2 years

Project lead: Daniela Pisoiu

Collaborator: Erik Hacker

1.4 De-Radicalization

Project: STRATEX: Extremist groups' strategies of taking influence in education - Strategien der Einflussnahme extremistischer Organisationen im Bildungsbereich

The project maps existing prevention measures and explores the activities and strategies of extremist organisations targeting the Austrian education system. Building on these insights, the project develops recommendations and teaching material in cooperation with central stakeholders. The objective is strengthening the role of schools as a place of primary prevention against extremism.

Project Leader: IRKS (Verein für Rechts- und Kriminalsoziologie)

Funded by: FFG – Österreichische Forschungsförderungsgesellschaft mbH, Kiras Sicherheitsforschung

Duration: January 2020 – December 2021

Project lead: Daniela Pisoiu
Collaborators: Sherin Gharib, Lena Hager, Erik Hacker

Project: Promoting democracy and fighting extremism through an online counter-narratives and an alternative narratives campaign/ DECOUNT

The project aims to design and disseminate an online campaign which includes deradicalization and prevention online resources; videos produced by vulnerable youth (alternative narratives) and a video game structured along binary decisions leading to radicalization or maintaining resilience (both). The aim is to de-construct extremist frames, challenge extremist roles through counter-narratives.



Funded by: EU Internal Security Fund – Police (ISFP)
Duration: November 2018 – December 2020
Project lead: Daniela Pisoiu
Collaborators: Julia Bernegger, Lena Hager, Jörg Peschak

Project: EXIT Europe

In view of the increasing risks of radicalization in Europe, the ISF-project ‘EXIT Europe’ pursues the objective to develop locally embedded distancing and exit programs which enable radicalized individuals to de-radicalize, disengage and rehabilitate across various forms of violent extremism – aiming to implement them in European countries where they appear to be mostly lacking. Project activities will go along an European east to south axis – going through Austria, connecting partners in Germany, Italy, France and Spain with neighboring Slovakia, and liaising with associate partners Hungary and Czech Republic.

Project Leader:	BMI (Austrian Ministry of Internal Affairs)
Funded by:	EU-ISF
Duration:	January 2019 – March 2021
Project lead:	Daniela Pisoiu
Collaborator:	Erik Hacker



Project: Empowering communities, strengthening democracy - Communities stärken, Demokratie stärken. Präventionsarbeit für ein Leben miteinander.

The project aims at improving the prevention of radicalization through the empowerment of local communities in Vienna. This includes building trust with the authorities and the municipality. Building on previous projects and insights from field research, it also develops policy recommendations and a catalogue of possible measures to further advance the prevention of radicalization on a communal, grassroots level.

Project Leader: oiip

Funded by: City of Vienna (MA7)

Duration: September 2019 – February 2020

Project lead: Daniela Pisoiu

Collaborator: Erik Hacker



Project: RETEX: Risk Management, Rehabilitation and Reintegration of Terrorist and Extremist Offenders

In the coming years, hundreds of terrorist and extremist offenders in European prisons will be released. With that in mind, risk assessment, rehabilitation and reintegration are part and parcel of daily work in prison and probation. This project aims at identifying the education and training needs in participating countries in the areas of risk management, rehabilitation and reintegration of terrorist and extremist offenders.

Funded by: Erasmus+

Duration: Starting in 2021 for a period of 2 years

Project lead: Daniela Pisoiu

Collaborators: Lena Hager, Erik Hacker

Project: EUTEX

Preventing terror attacks depends on the successful disengagement and reintegration of terrorists and extremist offenders, including foreign fighters and their families, as recent events have shown. This can only be achieved through a multi-agency and multi-disciplinary framework with evidence-based, effective practices, cooperation among stakeholders, a solid risk assessment and continuity of care from day one. EUTEx establishes such a framework by building on European knowledge, skills and products and taking them further by summoning the best expertise in relevant fields, through innovative methods and rolling them out Europe-wide.

Funded by: EU Internal Security Fund – Police (ISFP)

Duration: Starting in 2021 for a period of 1,5 years

Project lead: Daniela Pisoiu

1.5 Hybrid Threats

oiip Working Paper Nr. 107, June 2020

Cholpon Abdyraeva

The Use of Cyberspace in the Context of Hybrid Warfare. Means, Challenges and Trends

Das Arbeitspapier zeichnet den neuesten Forschungsstand in Bezug auf hybride Kriegsführung nach und versucht die wachsende Bedeutung des Cyber- und Informationsraums innerhalb der hybriden Kriegsführung aufzuzeigen. Als Beispiel geht es näher auf russische hybride Kriegsführung ein.

oiip Policy Brief, April 2020

Christian Haddad

Welche Sicherheit braucht unsere Digitale Zukunft? Institutionelle, technologische und soziale Erfordernisse für eine demokratische Kultur der Cybersicherheit

Die zunehmende Digitalisierung der Gesellschaft hat eine Neukonzeption von Sicherheit erfordert, die es sowohl aus strategischer als auch demokratiepolitischer Sicht zu reflektieren gilt. Die digitalen Innovationsprozesse und die sie leitenden technischen und ethischen Normen und Standards zu gestalten, ohne dabei die demokratie- und gesellschaftspolitischen Dimensionen von „Sicherheit“ aus den Augen zu verlieren, ist eine zentrale Aufgabe für alle relevanten Akteure und Stakeholder.

Europe and its Neighborhood

2.1. The EU and its Relations with the Neighborhood

Vedran Dzihic

oiip Policy Analysis 1, March 2020, Europäische Entfremdungsprozesse und ihre Dynamik in Südosteuropa in Zeiten der Corona-Krise

Im März 2020 brach die Corona-Krise wie ein Tsunami über Europa ein. Der Kampf gegen das Virus löste nationale und nationalistische Reflexe aus und offenbarte Schwächen der Europäischen Union in ihrer außenpolitischen Handlungsfähigkeit. Die Kurzanalyse untersucht wie sich die Corona-Krise auf die Beziehungen mit dem Westbalkan auswirkt.

Faruk Ajeti

oiip Policy Brief, October 2020, Der Westbalkan in der Arena geostrategischer Interessen von Russland und China

Das europäische Projekt verliert auf dem Balkan an Attraktivität. Angesichts der zunehmenden Aktivitäten Russlands und Chinas aber auch anderer internationaler Akteure, sehen sich die EU und die USA mit einer wachsenden geopolitischen Konkurrenz konfrontiert. Um nicht weiter an Boden zu verlieren, müssen sich die EU und die USA stärker koordinieren und sich für eine pro-euroatlantische Perspektive der Westbalkanstaaten einsetzen, bzw. um diese vermehrt werben.



Cengiz Günay & Carina Radler

oiip Policy Analysis 6, December 2020, Machtpoker im östlichen Mittelmeer

Das östliche Mittelmeer entwickelte sich zu einem Ort geopolitischer Rivalitäten. In den letzten Monaten drohten die Spannungen rund um die Frage der Exploration von Erdgasfunden am Boden des Meeres zwischen der Türkei und Griechenland zu eskalieren. An der Rohstoff-Frage entzünden sich mehrere ungelöste regionale Konflikte. Die Kurzanalyse zeigt die verschiedenen Konfliktsebenen auf, analysiert wo und wie sich die Positionen Griechenlands, Zyperns, und Frankreichs decken, und geht auf die Ambitionen und Motivationen der türkischen Regierung ein.

Project: Western Balkans between the struggle for and the crises of democracy and new geopolitical power politics - Der Westbalkan - zwischen Demokratiestrebungen und -Krisen und neuer geopolitischer Machtpolitik

The research project examines the politics of transatlantic partners in regard to the Western Balkans since the 1990s. A particular focus is put on their positions regarding unresolved issues and problems in the region such as the dialogue between Kosovo and Serbia or the political situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina and the growing influence of non-Western players (Russia, China, and Turkey).



Funded by: Austrian Marshall Plan

Foundation

Duration: January 2021 – December 2021

Project lead: Vedran Dzihic, Faruk Ajeti

2.2 Democracy and Activism

Project: Europeanisation meets democracy from below: The Western Balkans on the search for a new European and democratic momentum

This project aims to establish a network of renowned think-tanks, do-tanks, universities, higher education institutes, policy centres and civic initiatives in the Western Balkans, neighbouring countries and EU member states. The “WB2EU network” aims to become a reference point in the area of EU Enlargement and democratisation efforts in the Western Balkan countries. Besides the research and policy focus of the network, the outreach element will be of crucial importance. The network shall thereby be a catalyst, discussion and exchange platform, and knowledge disseminator. The network will furthermore actively include various civic bottom-up initiatives able to enrich and foster democracy and Europeanisation in the region.

Funded by: European Commission
Duration: October 2020-September 2023
Project Leader: Paul Schmidt, ÖGfE and Vedran Dzihic, oiip



Project: Coordination of the Austrian Anna Lindh (ALF) Network

ALF is a network for the promotion of dialogue between North and South and for diversity, democracy and development. The Austrian network includes more than 50 civil society organizations. The oiip's aim is to strengthen the capacity of the network, to promote exchange and to make the network more visible to the outside world. In the context of network coordination, events are also held every year that are jointly organised by the network members.

Funded by: Anna Lindh Foundation
Duration: July 2019 – June 2021
Coordination: Sherin Gharib



Vedran Dzihic et al.

Southeast Europe: A Normative Marketplace?, edited analysis, FES Studies, Vedran Dzihic et al (2020), Democracy and Human Rights VALUES AT STAKE

Europe has not yet achieved creating a common European sense of »who we are«. The question is whether EU normative influence ever truly existed and whether substantial normative transfers to

Southeast Europe (SEE) have ever been achieved. The prevailing top-down »one size fits all« approach to democratization in Southeast Europe must be contested in favour of a more nuanced methodology that considers the interests, grievances, and demands of each society. We cannot have societies with true European values without creating high-quality discursive spaces where SEE citizens can socialize as active citizens. We need to build a democracy of informed and engaged citizens that do not exclude each other.

2.3 Autocratization



Cengiz Günay, Vedran Dzihic, Jakob Pallinger, Jonas Nitschke

oiip Working Paper Nr. 109, September 2020, After the „Point-of-no-return“ – Die Frage des Machtübergangs in kompetitiven autoritären Regimen. Szenarien zu Serbien und der Türkei

Kompetitiv autoritäre Regime sind durch einen hohen Grad an Polarisierung und des politischen Wettbewerbs geprägt. In den meisten Fällen wurde die „Autokratisierung“ (eine voranschreitende Hinwendung zu einem autoritären Verständnis der Macht sowie zu einer autoritären Regierungspraxis) von gewählten charismatischen Führern vorangetrieben. Das Arbeitspapier untersucht was im Falle eines Ausscheidens der charismatischen Führer passierten kann und entwickelt Szenarien.

Sherin Gharib

IPSI Dossier. December 2020, After the Egyptian Spring: Mainstream Islamism and the Move to Radical Movements

Ten years after the Arab Spring, Egypt has become more authoritarian than ever. Egyptian President Abdel Fattah al-Sisi, who came to power through a military coup in June 2013, has reconstructed

the country into a military-police state. The paper explores the effects of the military takeover on the Islamist movement.

Vedran Dzihic

Atlantic Initiative, Center for Security and Justice Research, 02 / 2020, 5-10

How did Serbia unite Chomsky, Mironov and Fukuyama? Engaging with the New Despotism

Using the concept of John Keane developed in his new book „The new despotism“ and against the background of attacks of Vučić regime in Serbia on academic freedom, the paper discusses the character of these attacks of freedom and democracy. At the same time it explores the international mobilization of intellectuals against these attacks and argues that the emancipatory fight for freedom and democracy has to be placed high on the agenda of democratization efforts in Southeastern Europe.

2.4 Transnational Politics

Project: Migration Ties: The impact of migrant milieus on their transnational connections - Einfluss der Milieu-Zugehörigkeit von MigrantInnen auf ihre transnationalen Verbindungen

Although migration has been a central topic in Austria and beyond there is a gap of data in this regard which the project 'Migration Ties' intends to fill. To do so, the Sinus-Milieu method will be used to identify and explore migrant-milieus in Austria. Building on these insights, the project will analyse the impact of belonging to these milieus on their transnational connections and activities. Based on this, policy recommendations will be prepared for practitioners as well as decision-makers.

Project Leader: SYNYO

Funded by: FFG – Österreichische Forschungsförderungsgesellschaft mbH, Kiras

Duration: November 2020 – June 2022

Project lead: Cengiz Günay, Vedran Dzihic

Collaborator: Erik Hacker



Project: The transnational political engagement of the Serbian and Turkish diaspora and the impact on “political integration” in Vienna



After Germans, the Serbian and Turkish Diasporas are the largest migrant communities in Vienna. Both communities are highly fragmented and polarized. Many members are politically active in movements that are connected with their countries of origin. The project aims at detecting the motivations for transnational political activism among these two communities and focus on the question whether

this hinders or supports “political integration” (understood as the active participation in political processes in Vienna)..

Funded by: City of Vienna (MA7)

Duration: November 2020 – March 2021

Project Lead: Cengiz Günay, Vedran Dzihic

Innovation Policy in a Global Context

3.1. Socio-technical visions and their effect on innovation and technology policies

Project: The politics of innovation in Morocco and Jordan: sociotechnical visions, national policy strategies, global discourses - Innovationspolitik in Marokko und Jordanien: soziotechnische Visionen, nationale Strategien und globale Diskurse (

The project explores how (national) innovation policy in Morocco and Jordan is articulated and enacted against the backdrop of global innovation discourses. It focuses on how global discourses are inscribed in (national) innovation policy visions and "translated" into local practices.

Funded by: OeNB Anniversary Fund (Austrian Central Bank)

Duration: September 2018 - June 2020

Project lead: Christian Haddad

Collaborators: Sherin Gharib



Project Report, May 2020

Christian Haddad, Sherin Gharib, Konstantin Urban

The politics of innovation in Morocco and Jordan: sociotechnical visions, national policy strategies, global discourses

The Report examined the importance of innovation and innovation policy in the Arab Mediterranean states on the cases of Jordan and Morocco. In both countries, innovation policy is driven by the highest state institutions. Drawing on research perspectives from critical policy analysis and science & technology studies, the report focused on the question: How is (national) state innovation policy conceived in Morocco and Jordan against the background of global innovation discourses? How can the meaning of innovation be understood in the context of broader social dynamics and political objectives?

3.2. Relations between innovation, politics, and (in)security

Project: Solidarity in times of a pandemic: What do people do, and why? (SOLPAN)

The COVID-19 pandemic poses unprecedented challenges for policymakers, public health officials, and societies. This situation calls for an examination of how people react to policy measures that have been introduced, and what actions they take on their own initiative over and above the official advice by governments. The project examines these important questions in different European countries, including Austria, Belgium, France, Germany, Italy, the Netherlands, and the United Kingdom. We use a multi-sited qualitative research design involving in-depth open-ended interviews.

Duration: March 2020 – April 2021

Project lead: Univ. Prof. Dr. Barbara Prainsack, Center for Contemporary Studies on Solidarity, University of Vienna

Collaborators: Christian Haddad

Data Ecologies and the Governing of Global Public Health Emergencies

This research project investigates the emergence of new data ecologies for the governing of global public health emergencies within contemporary practices of international relations. This 9 month pilot project seeks to present and unpack how multiple new streams of data (traditional epidemiological data, 'Big Data' and social science generated-data) are leveraged, combined and acted upon by a range of international actors to identify the emergence of global public health emergencies.

Stephen L. Roberts, University College London, UCL, Ernst Mach Grant

Funded by: OeAD - Austria's Agency for Education and Internationalisation

Duration: March 2021 – September 2021

Publications on the Covid-19 Pandemic



In June 2020, the oiip initiated a series of policy analyses dealing with the mid- and long-term effects of the COVID-19 Pandemic on Turkey and the Western Balkans and how the UN Women, Peace and Security Agenda could provide a guideline for dealing with the crisis.

Yavuz Köse

oiip Corona Papers 1 June 2020

Die Türkei – Die Pandemie und die Krise des Systems Erdoğan

Die Türkei war trotz oder vielleicht sogar aufgrund des wachsenden Autoritarismus vergleichsmäßig erfolgreich im Kampf gegen die Corona Pandemie. Die Covid-19 Todeszahlen blieben niedrig und das Land kann eine steile Kurve an genesenen Corona PatientInnen vorweisen. Dennoch vertieft sich aber die systemische Krise, in der sich die Türkei spätestens seit dem gescheiterten Putschversuch 2016 und dem Übergang zum Präsidialsystem im Jahr 2018 befindet. Die Kurzanalyse zeigt die langfristigen Auswirkungen der Pandemie auf das System Erdogan auf.

Saskia Stachowitsch & Astrid Bergmann

oiip Corona Papers 2, June 2020

COVID-19 und die UN Women, Peace and Security Agenda

In diesem Papier werden die Auswirkungen der COVID-19-Krise auf die UN Women, Peace and Security (WPS) Agenda reflektiert und die Impulse, welche die Agenda für eine geschlechtersensible Krisenbearbeitung liefern kann, diskutiert. Aufgrund der Pandemie kommt es zu einer allgemeinen Verstärkung von Geschlechterungleichheiten, die sich insbesondere in ungleicher Arbeitsaufteilung und einem Anstieg geschlechtsspezifischer Gewalt ausdrückt.

Vedran Dzihic

oiip Corona Papers 3 June 2020

Serbien und die ersten Wahlen in Europa im Zeitalter von Covid-19. Eine Kurzanalyse in drei Akten

Am 21. Juni 2020 fanden in Serbien die Parlamentswahlen statt. Dies waren die ersten Wahlen, die in Europa in Zeiten der Covid-19 Pandemie abgehalten wurden. Die Parlamentswahlen fanden vor dem Hintergrund der Erosion demokratischer Werte und Institutionen und dem Aufstieg autoritärer Tendenzen in Serbien statt. Aleksandar Vučić und seine Serbische Fortschrittspartei SNS konnten bei einer geringen Wahlbeteiligung und unter Wahlboykott von Teilen der Opposition die Wahl mit einer überwältigenden Mehrheit für sich entscheiden.

Vedran Dzihic & Florian Bieber, et al.

BiEPAG-Policy Brief April 2020

The Western Balkans in Times of the Global Pandemic

The policy analysis deals with the COVID-19 pandemic as a crisis that can permanently shake up institutions and societies in the Western Balkans. There are considerable dangers beyond the impact of the pandemic on human lives, ranging from an economic crisis which could turn out to be worse than the one in 2008/9, to a heightened crisis of democracy and a geopolitical shift.

Academic Publications

Contributions to edited Volumes

Clemens Binder

Developing future borders. The politics of security research and emerging technologies in border security, In: Calcara, A., Csernatoni, R., and Lavallée, C. (eds.). Emerging Security Technologies and EU Governance. Actors, Practices and Processes. Routledge, p. 148-163, (2020).

Vedran Dzihic

Bosnia and Herzegovina: Ethnopolitics and Hopeful Euroscepticism—No Light at the End of the European Tunnel?, in: Kaeding, Michael, Pollak, Johannes, Schmidt, Paul (eds.) Euroscepticism and the Future of Europe, Views from the Capitals (pp. 9-12). Pages 9-12, Routledge, (2020).

Sherin Gharib

Externe Einflüsse, die Rolle des Militärs sowie die Auswirkungen auf die Außen- und Wirtschaftspolitik – das Beispiel Ägypten, in: Akbulut, Hakan; Hagemann, Steffen; Opitz, Anja: Umbruch, Zerfall und Restauration - Der Nahe Osten im Spannungsfeld regionaler Akteure und externer Mächte, Baden-Baden: Nomos (Hrsg.,) 2021 [im Erscheinen].

Christian Haddad

Benner, M and Haddad, C. Innovation policy in North Africa: the need for critical approaches, In: Wohlmut, K. (ed.), African Development Perspectives Yearbook, (pp. 86-89). University of Bremen, (2020).

Daniela Pisoiu

Dschihadismus in Europa, Sicher. Und morgen?, In: Sicherheitspolitische Jahresvorschau 2020, Direktion für Sicherheitspolitik, Bundesminister für Landesverteidigung, Wien.

Daniela Pisoiu

Zusammenhänge zwischen Radikalisierung und Diskriminierung, In: Stefan E. Hößl, Lobna Jamal, Frank Schellenberg (eds.) Politische Bildung im Kontext von Islam und Islamismus, Bundeszentrale für Politische Bildung. Bonn, (2020).

Saskia Stachowitsch & Wibben, A.; Wisotzki, S. and Mageza-Barthel, R.

Geschlechter- und Sicherheitsstudien heute. Vier Wissenschaftler*innen im Gespräch. In: Gewalt, Krieg und Flucht. Feministische Perspektiven auf Sicherheit. Reihe Politik und Geschlecht Band 32, (pp. 29-42), Verlag Barbara Budrich, (2020).

Peer reviewed articles

Cengiz Günay

Book Review, Identity Politics Inside Out. National Identity Contestation and Foreign Policy in Turkey (by Lisel Hintz, New York: Oxford University Press, 2018) *Global Affairs*, Spring 2020.

Vedran Dzihic

Die Corona-Krise auf dem Westbalkan. Eine erste Analyse des Verlaufs, der Folgen sowie der demokratiepolitischen Implikationen, *Südosteuropa Mitteilungen*, 01 – 02, 74-94.

Vedran Dzihic

Bosnien und Herzegowina 25 Jahre nach Dayton – Zwischen Ethnopolitik und neuen Formen der Solidarität. Religion & Gesellschaft in Ost und West, RGOW 10 / 2020, 48. Jahrgang, 12-15.

Vedran Dzihic

Balkanische Illusionskünstler. *Blätter für deutsche und internationale Politik*, Juli 2020, 17-20.

Daniela Pisoiu & Reem Ahmed

Uniting the far right: how the far-right extremist, New Right, and populist frames overlap on Twitter – a German case study. *European Societies*, DOI: 10.1080/14616696.2020.1818112

Events

The oiip regularly organizes panel discussions, workshops, and public lectures addressing current, but also long-term developments in international politics. These events are important platforms that bring national and international scholars, experts and practitioners together with an interested audience. Over the last years, our events have attracted an ever-growing number of university students, diplomats, representatives of international organizations, the bureaucracy, NGOs, journalists and interested citizens from Vienna and beyond. Many of our events are in cooperation with different partners, such as national radio Ö1 or the US Embassy in Vienna. Due to the pandemic, most of the events listed below were moved to the virtual space. While we have been missing direct contact with our members, followers, friends and the broader public, online events have at the same time opened new opportunities and have made our events more accessible to a broader and more international audience.

A brand new world? Shifting powers in international politics - online series

25.11.2020

Episode # 1 Online Discussion

The US and the Israeli –Palestinian Conflict: One-state solution, two-state solution or no solution at all?

Participants:

Raffaella A. DEL SARTO, Johns Hopkins University, SAIS Europe

Rashid KHALIDI, Columbia University NY

Gideon LEVY, Haaretz

Chair:

Cengiz GÜNEY, oiip

The online discussion explored the situation on the ground, elaborated on whether and how the Trump administration's policies impacted the conflict in the long-run, its repercussions on the broader Middle East region, and assessed the role a Biden administration might play in the next future?



30.11.20

Episode # 2 Online Heinz Gärtner Lecture

The US Elections 2020: What Future for Democracy, Social Movements, and Human Rights?

Participants:

Deva WOODLY, The New School for Social Research, NY

Tina KEMPIN REUTER, University of Alabama at Birmingham

Chair:

Saskia STACHOWITSCH, oiip

While Joe Biden has won the US presidential elections, it is clear that the Trump presidency was not an aberration in the democratic tradition of the US, but reflects a broader shift towards authoritarian politics that is also mirrored on the global scale. This panel discussion reflected on the domestic and international effects of these shifts on social movements, marginalized populations, human rights, and global peace-making.



Anna Lindh Foundation Austrian Network Events

Within the framework of the Austrian Anna Lindh Network which is coordinated by the oiip, the institute organized in collaboration with other network members two public events; one live and another one online.

21.1.2020

Public Forum

Power to the Youth! Jugend und Widerstand

Participants:

Mahsa GHAFARI, Activist

Bianca SCHÖNBERGER, ZARA Training

Cécile BALBOUS, Queer Base

Vero GMEINDL, Forum Theater

YASMO_Artist

Chair-

Sherin GHARIB 911



Gibt es in unserer heutigen Gesellschaft zu viel Anpassung? Wozu braucht es Widerstand und wie können sich Jugendliche für ihre Anliegen stark machen? Welche Formen von Widerstand können Jugendliche ausüben? Welche Rolle spielt dabei Kunst bzw. wie kann Kunst Selbstermächtigung und Widerstand fördern? Mit diesen Fragen setzte sich das Public Forum des österreichischen Netzwerkes der Anna-Lindh Stiftung auseinander.

14.12.2020

Online Veranstaltung

COVID 19 – Herausforderungen und Chancen für die österreichische Zivilgesellschaft

Participants:

Jonathan ACHTSNIT, Dschungel Wien

Werner PRINZIAKOWITSCH Verein Wiener Jugendzentren

Daniela ELLINGER Verein Grenzenlos Interkultureller Austausch

Veronika BERNARD Kulturwissenschaftlerin und Sprachlehrerin

Philipp WEINBERGER Jugend- und Kulturzentrum Explosiv, Graz

Chair:

Sherin Gharib, ojp, Anna Lindh Stiftung Österreich

Diese Veranstaltung ging den Fragen nach wie österreichische Akteure der Zivilgesellschaft mit diesen Entwicklungen umgehen und was COVID -19 langfristig für die österreichische Zivilgesellschaft bzw. insbesondere für die Jugend und Jugendarbeit bedeutet. In diesem Rahmen wurden kurze 5-minütige Impulsstatements gehalten, die die Diskussion leiten sollten.

Ö1 Europagespräche

4.3.2020

Ö1 Europagespräch #1

Welche Rolle spielen Frauen in der Außenpolitik?

Participants:

Saskia STACHOWITSCH, oiip & Universität Wien

Brigitte HOLZNER, Universität Graz

Melissa MUJANAYI, BMLV

Ingrid GÖSSINGER, OSZE-Beobachtungsmission in der Ukraine

Chair:

Markus MÜLLER-SCHINWALD, Ö1

Vor 20 Jahren beschloss der UNO-Sicherheitsrat die Resolution 1325, mit der die Rolle und die

Rechte von Frauen in der internationalen Politik gestärkt werden sollte. Doch zwanzig Jahre später ist die Bilanz ernüchternd. Was waren die Hindernisse und was können Österreich und die EU tun, um die Geschlechtergerechtigkeit auf internationaler Ebene zu stärken? Das Ö1 Europagespräche versuchte Antworten auf diese Fragen zu finden.



7.12.2020

Ö1 Europagespräch #2

Gefährden die neuen Despoten in Mittel- und Osteuropa die Einheit der Union?

Participants:

Vedran DZIHIC, oiip

and

Teresa REITER, IWM

Chair:

Markus MÜLLER-SCHINWALD, Ö1

Am Papier sind sie luppenreine Demokratien.

Doch schaut man auf die Dinge wie Medienfreiheit, Gewaltenteilung oder faire Wahlen, dann

bleibt vom demokratischen Anstrich nicht viel übrig. Besonders in

Ungarn und Serbien bröckelt die Fassade, auch andere Länder bewegen sich in diese Richtung: Von Polen über Slowenien bis Bulgarien. Für den Zusammenhalt innerhalb der EU wird das zu einem immer größeren Problem. Denn die Regierungen der Länder, die bereits in der Union sind, blockieren gemeinsame Beschlüsse.



Further Events

Find here events organized by the oiip or in cooperation with partner institutions.

4.6.2020

Online Talk (AIES)

Die Türkei und Europa

Werner FASSLABEND, AIES

in talk with

Cengiz GÜNAY, oiip

23.6.2020

Online Talk (oiip)

Corona Crisis in the Western Balkans: Democracy as Collateral Damage?

Vedran DZIHIC, oiip

in talk with

Christina GRIESSLER, Andrassy Universität Budapest

The Online Talk addressed the developments and lock-down restrictions implemented in the countries of the so-called Western Balkans during the Coronavirus-Pandemic and their long-lasting effects on the political structures. Moreover, the talk elaborated on the relations between the Western Balkans and the EU, which despite the decision to start the accession talks with North Macedonia and Albania during the Croatian EU Presidency in March 2020, have not much improved.

8.7.2020

Online Faculty Talk (Danube University Krems / oiip)

10 Jahre Arabischer Frühling – die Folgen für die Region und Europa

Keynote:

Cengiz GÜNEY, oiip

Discussant:

Gudrun HARRER, Der Standard

Chair:

Mathias CZAIKA, DUK

Im Dezember 2010 entzündete sich an lokalen Protesten in Zentraltunesien der sogenannte Arabische Frühling. In Ägypten und Tunesien stürzten in Folge von Massenprotesten die autoritären Herrscher, Libyen, Syrien und der Jemen versanken in kleinteiligen Bürgerkriegen. Neue, internationale, regionale und nichtstaatliche Akteure prägen die Politik. Der Faculty Talk beleuchtete die politischen und gesellschaftlichen Dynamiken in der Region und analysierte deren Auswirkungen auf europäische und österreichische Strategien.



23.9.2020

Online Discussion (King's College London)

Women, Peace and Security – 20th anniversary roundtable

Participants:

Soumita BASU, South Asian University, New Delhi

Jamie J. HAGEN, Queen's University Belfast

Dr Aiko HOLVIKIVI, LSE Centre for Women, Peace and Security

Cynthia PETRIGH, International expert in support to societies in transition

Swarna RAJAGOPALAN, Women's Regional Network

Saskia STACHOWITSCH, oiip & Universität Wien



Chair:

Amanda CHISHOLM, King ' s College London

Andrea ELLNER, King ' s College London

Last autumn marked the 20th anniversary since the UN Security Council unanimously adopted Resolution 1325 on Women, Peace and Security (WPS). A huge milestone, it finally promised mainstream attention to women's perspectives on and experiences of war, peace and security which women's rights activists had been pursuing for over a century.

27.10.2020

Online Talk

Risk analysis as political. How gender and race matter in the constitution of crisis in EU border management

In this talk, Saskia Stachowitzsch explored how risk analysis in European border security functions as a sense-making security practice that is deeply political. With a focus on the European Border and Coast Guard Agency (Frontex), she investigated how gender and race matter in constituting the "riskiness" of migrants as well as the notion of "migration crisis".

Keynote:

Saskia STACHOWITSCH, oiip & Universität Wien

Discussant:

Rocco BELLANOVA, University of Amsterdam (UvA)

12.11.2020

Online Seminar (Danube University Krems / oiip)

Emigration in South-Eastern Europe – Is the region losing its future?

Keynote:

Vedran DZIHIC, oiip

Discussants:

Alida VRACIC, Think Tank Populari, Bosnia and Herzegovina

Samir BEHARIC, Western Balkans Alumni Association

Chair:

Mathias CZAIIKA, DUK

Southeastern Europe has experienced significant emigration. In the last 15 years the region has lost almost 4.5 million people and recent forecasts for Croatia and Serbia show that the decline in population will amount to -17.6% for Serbia and -22.0% for Croatia by 2040. The massive emigration of young and highly qualified people to Western Europe is challenging the future development of the societies in the region, both from an economic ('brain drain') as well as from a political ('national

identity') perspective. The webinar enabled exchange of views between migration scholars, policy experts and activists promises to open up new avenues to understand and cope with the phenomenon.

20.11.2020

Online Discussion

25 years Dayton: Do Bosnians and Herzegovinians want a liberal, democratic and prosperous country?

Participants:

Jelena BRKIC SMIGOC, University of Sarajevo

Alida VRACIC, Executive Director, Popularni Think Tank, Vienna

Vedran DZIHIC, oiip

Samir BEHARIC, Board Member of the Western Balkans Alumni Association, Jajce

Chair:

Adi CERIMAGIC, European Stability Initiative (ESI), Berlin

The Dayton Peace Agreement was turning 25 years on 21 November and 14 December 2020. The International Institute for Peace was marking this anniversary by organising an event that was looking at the anniversary and the agreement beyond the important fact that it has brought a much needed peace to Bosnia and Herzegovina. It took a look at the ongoing struggle to transform the country into a liberal and prosperous democracy based on rule of law and market economy.

3.12.2020

Online Talk

The historical origins of global jihad, revisited

Keynote:

Thomas HEGGHAMMER, Norwegian Defence Research Establishment (FFI), Oslo

Discussant:

Daniela PISOIU, oiip

Where does transnational jihadism come from? Why did militant Islamists start targeting the West in the 1990s after decades of operating locally? In this lecture, Thomas Hegghammer revisited the historical origins of the phenomenon often referred to as "global jihadism".



9.12.2020

Online Diskussion

Was ist radikal? Eine Debatte zu Islamismus, politischem Islam und Dschihadismus

Participants:

Cengiz GÜNAY, oiip

Benjamin OPRATKO, Universität Wien

Daniela PISOIU, oiip

Petra RAMSAUER, freie Journalistin und Buchautorin

Chair:

SHERIN GHARIB, oiip

Der Begriff „politischer Islam“ hat in den letzten Monaten und Wochen viel Beachtung gefunden. Der Begriff ist aber aufgrund seiner Ungenauigkeit auch Gegenstand von Kritik. Ab wann ist Religion politisch und gar radikal und gilt dies nur für den Islam? Was bezeichnet Islamismus und Dschihadismus und wo sind die Unterschiede? Welche Bewegungen gibt es international? In der online Diskussion griffen die TeilnehmerInnen diese und andere Fragen auf.



External Lectures /Presentations /Talks

Find here events in which our researchers participated in 2020.

Cengiz Günay

- FPI Coffee Hour | Europe's Exit Strategy: Rising out of the COVID-19 Crisis with Cengiz Günay, Daniel S. Hamilton, and Kristina Spohr, 16.04.2020.

Vedran Dzihic

- Der Westbalkan – Von einer europäischen Vision, Podcast, ROTFUNK, Renner Institut, 21.02.2020.
- Neue Spielräume: Gehört der Balkan (wirklich) zu EU-ropa? Über sichtbare und unsichtbare Grenzen Europas und den Prozess der EU-Erweiterung, Vortrag in Bregenz, Spielboden, 27.02.2020.
- Vision for the Western Balkans: 2030, Lecture by Vedran Dzihic at the Austrian Embassy Netherlands, The Hague, 19.02.2020.
- EU-Erweiterung im Westbalkan: ein Schritt vorwärts, zwei zurück? Moderation of the panel discussion, Haus der Europäischen Union, oiip, ÖGfE, 26.02.2020.
- Post-Covid or Post-Democracy Balkans? State of human rights, media freedoms, and civil liberties during the pandemic, IIP, Renner Institute, oiip, 09.06.2020.
- Corona Crisis in the Western Balkans: Democracy as Collateral Damage? Lecture, Andrassy University and Austrian Cultural Forum, Budapest, 23.06.2020.
- Media and the culture of remembrance – remembering 25 years since genocide in Srebrenica (Medijska kultura sjećanja – u znak sjećanja na 25 godina genocida u Srebrenici), panel input and public discussion, FES Sarajevo/Bosnia, 31.07.2020.
- Rise of far-right and identity politics: (South-East) European experiences, Post-ideological politics: how to revive ideology?, online lecture and public discussion, Academia in Dialogue, FES Southeast European Dialogue, 07.09.2020.
- Far-right & identity politics in (Southeast) Europe is happening now. „Right-wing pro-fascist International“, Academia in Dialogue, FES Southeast European Dialogue, 09.9.2020.
- Erklär mir die Welt, Podcast, „Erkläre mir Srebrenica“, 15.09.2020.
- Peti oktobar – 20 godina poslije, public discussion, IFDT, FES Serbia and FES Southeast European Dialogue, 05.10.2020.
- Far-right & identity politics in (Southeast) Europe is happening now. „Far-right tactics, tools & strategies“, Academia in Dialogue, FES Southeast European Dialogue, 11.09.2020.
- Sporpruge Srbije, Public Debate, CRTA, 15.09.2020.

- Krise und Umbruch in Osteuropa, Online Diskussionsveranstaltung, Andrassy University, Austrian Cultural Forum Hungary and oiip, 23.09.2020.
- "25 years Dayton: Do Bosnians and Herzegovinians want a liberal, democratic and prosperous country?", panel input and public discussion, IIP, Renner Institut, oiip, 20.11.2020.
- #SayItLoud! Online Gespräch am Tag der Menschenrechte zum Thema „Grenzgewalt entlang der Balkanroute, #Menschenrechte und #Pushbacks“, Public Discussion, 10.12.2020.

Daniela Pisoiu

- Intellectual Efforts and Education against Extremism: Example "The Mirage,, Virtual Round Table, Under the framework of "The European Assembly against Extremism & Terrorism", 25.06.2020.

Saskia Stachowitsch

- Keynote for Think Tank lunch "External Action for Gender Equality", organized by the Political and Security Committee of the European Union, Brussels, 28.01.2020.

Participation in Conferences

Clemens Binder

- European Workshop in International Studies, Paper presentation and discussion, digitally, 02.07.2020.
- 16th Biennial Conference of the European Association of Social Anthropologists, Paper presentation and panel discussion, digitally, 20.-24.07.2020.

Vedran Dzihic

- Virtual International Conference “The European Integration of the Western Balkans: Resilience, Failures and Challenges”, SCiDEV Albania, Faculty of Political Sciences, Tirana, 11.06.2020.
- Growing together or moving apart? The Western Balkans In The European Union, Lecture at the *Online Conference, Evangelische Akademie Loccum*, 08.09.2020.
- Internationale Westbalkankonferenz, The Europe We Want. The Europe We Need 2020, NRW Vertretung in Berlin, BBE, Südosteuropa Gesellschaft, 21.10.2020.
- Key note and panel discussion, Emigration in South-Eastern Europe – Is the region losing its future? Interdisciplinary Research Seminar, DUK and oiip, Vienna, 12.11.2020.
- EU Enlargement in the Western Balkans, Input and moderation at the Conference organized by Danish Foreign Policy Society, BIEPAG and EFB, 19.11.2020.

Cengiz Günay

- „Fixing the State of Art. Multidisciplinary Perspectives on Contemporary History of Turkey“, Paper presentation, Online Workshop (Universität Essen), 20. 11.2020.

Erik Hacker

- „Jihadi propaganda through the lens of visual analysis“. Presentation at the oiip online-workshop on terrorism trends, 03.12.2020.

Christian Haddad

- Workshop: Global Health & Diplomacy: configurations of knowledge, power and policy. Paper: Beyond ‘new drugs for the market’: re-examining the politics of pharmaceutical innovation in antimicrobial resistance-related global health security strategies. University of Vienna, 11.-12.02.2020.
- Workshop: Making Europe through infrastructures of in/security. Paper: Re-making vital infrastructures in a post-antibiotic future. University of Vienna, 12.-13.11.2020.

- EASST-4S joint meeting, paper: Re-inventing the pharmaceutical future. Prague (Online), 23.-27.8.2020.

Daniela Pisoiu

- Stockholm, Reference group on Salafism, Swedish Defence University, 14.01.2020.
- Intellectual Efforts and Education against Extremism and Terrorism: Example «The Mirage », 25.06.2020.
- „Bekannte Narrative, neue Strömungen – wie das Engagement gegen Antimuslimischen Rassismus instrumentalisiert wird“, 29.10.2020.
- Jean Monnet Network on EU Counter-Terrorism, 1612.2020.

Teaching

Vedran Dzihic

- Winter 2019/20: Vorlesung: Human Rights and International Relations, Universität Wien, Vienna Master of Human Rights (auf Englisch)
- Winter 2019/20: Vorlesung: Human Rights, Social Sciences, Accompanying Exercises (auf Englisch), Universität Wien, Vienna Master of Human Rights (auf Englisch)
- Winter 2020: Vorlesung: Österreichische Außenpolitik: Grundlagen, Trends und aktuelle Entwicklungen, Universität Wien, Institut für Politikwissenschaften
- Sommer 2020: Vorlesung: Human Rights, Democratization and Good Governance (auf Englisch), Universität Wien, Vienna Master of Human Rights (auf Englisch)
- Sommer 2020: MA SE: Neuer Autoritarismus – Implikationen für die internationale Politik, Universität Wien, Institut für Politikwissenschaften
- Winter 2020/21: Bachelorseminar, Universität Wien, Institut für Politikwissenschaften

Sherin Gharib

- Summer 2020: Lektürekurs Internationale Politik: "Postkolonialismus und Feminismus", Universität Wien, Institut für Politikwissenschaft
- Summer 2020: EU & Global Governance, Universität Wien, Institut für Politikwissenschaft
- Winter 2019/2020: EU & Global Governance, Universität Wien, Institut für Politikwissenschaft

Cengiz Günay

- Winter 2019/20, Seminar: Revolution, Krieg und der Staat im Nahen Osten. Staatliche Strukturen, Gesellschaftliche Dynamiken und die Folgen von internationalen Interventionen, Universität Wien, Institut für Politikwissenschaft
- Winter 2019/20, Seminar: The EU and Global Governance, Universität Wien, Institut für Politikwissenschaft
- Winter 2019/20, Vorlesung: History of Contemporary Turkey (1): From the late Ottoman Empire to the early Republic - State tradition, ideologies and institutions, Karl-Franzens Universität Graz, Centre for South-East European Studies
- Summer 2020, Seminar: The EU and Global Governance, Universität Wien, Institut für Politikwissenschaft
- Summer 2020, Vorlesung: History of Contemporary Turkey (1): From the late Ottoman Empire to the early Republic - State tradition, ideologies and institutions, Karl-Franzens Universität Graz, Centre for South-East European Studies

- Summer 2020, Seminar VM1/VM6: Soziale und globale Ungleichheit als Grundlage für politischen Umbruch und Revolution? Das Beispiel der MENA (Middle East and North Africa) Region, Universität Wien, Institut für Internationale Entwicklung.
- Winter 2020/21, Vorlesung: Geschichte der Republik Türkei, Universität Wien, Institut für Orientalistik
- Winter 2020/21, Seminar VM1/VM6: Soziale und globale Ungleichheit als Grundlage für politischen Umbruch und Revolution? Das Beispiel der MENA (Middle East and North Africa) Region, Universität Wien, Institut für Internationale Entwicklung
- Winter 2020/21, Seminar BAK11: Europäische Union und Europäisierung. Die EU als internationaler Akteur, Universität Wien, Institut für Politikwissenschaft

Christian Haddad

- Summer 2020: Course: Empirical research using qualitative methods, University of Vienna, BA Program Political Science
- Winter 2020/21: Seminar: The politics of pharmaceutical innovation, University of Vienna, MA Program Science-Technology-Society

Daniela Pisoiu

- Winter 2019/2020: BAK10 SE Internationale Politik und Entwicklung - Sicherheitspolitik und Terrorismus in den Internationalen Beziehungen
- Winter 2019/2020: BAK11: Europäische Union und Europäisierung - Die innere Sicherheit der Europäischen Union: Herausforderungen und Politiken
- Summer 2020: BAK11: Spezial VO Europäische Union und Europäisierung

Saskia Stachowitsch

- Winter 2019/20: Master seminar, University of Vienna, Department of Political Science
- Together with Josefa Stiegler, summer 2020: research seminar: “Gendered (in)securities – From armed conflict to sports mega-events”, University of Vienna, Department of Political Science.
- Summer 2020: Master seminar, University of Vienna, Department of Political Science
- Together with Julia Sachseder, winter 2020/21: research seminar: “Risky Borders – Border (in)security and social inequalities”, University of Vienna, Department of Political Science
- Winter 2020/21: Master seminar, University of Vienna, Department of Political Science

Media review

January

- **Radio Sarajevo**, 03.01.2020, op ed by Vedran Dzihic, „Nova konzervativno-zeleno Vlada u Austriji kao (ne)moguci eksperiment“
- **Ö1**, 10.01.2020, Vedran Dzihic live in Journal Panorama, „Peter Handke erhielt Literaturnobelpreis“
- **Novi Magazin**, 24.01.2020, op ed by Vedran Dzihic, „na mom radaru“

February

- **Wiener Zeitung**, 21.02.2020, Comment by Daniela Pisoiu, „Neue Salafisten agieren unterschwelliger“
- **Kurier**, 29.02.2020, Interview with Cengiz Günay, „Erdogan droht wieder mit offenen Grenzen: "Da hat sich Europa selbst hineinmanövriert““

March

- **Radio Free Europe**, 01.03.2020, Interview with Vedran Dzihic in der Sendung Radio Most, Most: Duvaju li ponovo vetrovi rata na Zapadnom Balkanu?
- **Servus TV Nachrichten**, 03.03.2020, Cengiz Günay, „Griechenland schließt Grenze; Flüchtlingsstrom aus der Türkei“
- **European Western Balkans**, 11.03.2020, Interview with Vedran Dzihic, “A delicate moment.” Dodik against the Constitutional Court of Bosnia and Herzegovina.
- **Datum**, 12.03.2020, Podcast mit Vedran Dzihic, „Kosmos #19: Wien, das Tor zum Balkan“
- **Ö1**, 31.03.2020, Podcast und Sendung „Europa Journal“ mit Vedran Dzihic, Ö1 Europa-Journal, „Die Demokratie in Südosteuropa steht unter Druck“ – Vedran Dzihic

April

- **Novi Magazin**, 02.04.2020, Interview with Vedran Dzihic on Corona Pandemics in the Balkans
- **Der Standard**, 10.04.2020, Neue Zeitenrechnung? Europäische Entfremdungsprozesse in Südosteuropa, Kommentar der Anderen, op ed by Vedran Dzihic
- **Der Standard**, 15.04.2020, Kommentar der anderen by Clemens Binder, „Ein Europäisches „Mare Nostrum““
- **Al Jazeera Balkans**, 16.04.2020, Live Interview in the TV News by Vedran Dzihic, “Austrijsko stanovništvo pokazuje veliku dozu discipline”

- **Al Jazeera Balkans**, 16.04.2020, Live-Interview with Vedran Dzihic, “Corona in the Balkans”
- **N1**, 22.4.2020, Interview with Vedran Dzihic, “Ne vjerujem da cemo 2020. Godine vidjeti nastavak dijaloga izmedju Beograda i Pristine”
- **N1**, 22.04.2020, Live Interview with Vedran Dzihic on current situation between Serbia and Kosovo
- **Neue Zürcher Zeitung**, 26.04.2020, Interview and comments by Vedran Dzihic, „Autoritäre Herrscher auf dem Balkan: Orbans Schüler im Südosten“

May

- **Glas Slavonije**, 04.05.2020, Corona i Balkan, Interview with Vedran Dzihic
- **Datum**, Ausgabe vom Mai 2020, Gastkommentar by Vedran Dzihic, „Vučić und sein großer Bruder Xi: Wie das lächerlichste Virus der Geschichte die Autokratisierung Serbiens beschleunigt“
- **Radio Free Europe/Radio Slobodna Evropa**, 17.05.2020, Džihić: Zloupotreba straha u političke svrhe, Interview with Vedran Dzihic
- **Fokus.ba**, 17.05.2020, Zapadni Balkan će se suočiti s najvećim ekonomskim padom još od 90-tih, Comments by Vedran Dzihic
- **N1**, 24.05.2020, Pudar Draško i Vedran Dzihic: Naša istraživanja slažu se s izveštajem o hibridnoj demokratiji, Live Interview in the TV Show
- **Futurezone.at**, 28.05.2020, Report about Daniela Pisoiu on „Spiele gegen Extremismus: Aufklärungsplattform gestartet“
- **Radio Ö1**, Digital.Leben, 28.5.2020, Interview with Daniela Pisoiu about Onlinegames
- **Orf.at**, Kultur Jetzt, 29.05.2020, Report about Daniela Pisoiu on „Onlinegame für Extremisten“

June

- **Die Presse**, 02.06.2020, Daniela Pisoiu, Article „Der Sand im Getriebe extremistischer Propaganda“
- **The Gap**, 02.06.2020, Daniela Pisoiu, Article, Games & Gadges, »Decount«: Der Weg in die Blase
- **FM4**, 08.06.2020, Daniela Pisoiu, Report „Decount“: Dieses Game soll vor Radikalisierung schützen
- **Wiener Zeitung**, 20.06.2020, comments by Vedran Dzihic, „Aleksandar Vučić: Der Machtpragmatiker“
- **Der Standard**, 24.06.2020, Kommentar der anderen by Vedran Dzihic, „Scheindemokratie als Illusionskunst“

- **Der Standard**, 26.06.2020, comment by Saskia Stachowitsch and Cengiz Günay, „Warum es ohne unabhängige Expertise nicht geht“
- **Der Standard**, 26.06.2020, interview with Saskia Stachowitsch, „Krieg der Zukunft: Den Algorithmen die Waffen entziehen“
- **N1**, 26.06.2020, Live Interview in the TV news by Vedran Dzihic, “Gosti N1: Upitni demokratski potencijali Vučića i Tačija, nema ni plana o Kosovu”
- **ATV Nachrichten**, 29.06.2020, Cengiz Günay „Zu den Vorfällen in Favoriten“

July

- **Ö1**, 01.07.2020, Cengiz Günay, Das Wort der Woche „Ultranationalismus“
- **Der Standard**, 04.07.2020, Kommentar der anderen von Daniela Pisoiu, „Nicht unter dem Deckmantel der Integration“
- **Tiroler Tageszeitung**, 06.07.2020, Interview mit Cengiz Günay, Politologe zu Ausschreitungen in Wien: „Probleme hören nicht an den Grenzen auf“
- **Conversing COVID Part VI**, 21.07. 2020, Interview with Daniela Pisoiu, “Security Distillery”
- **Falter**, 23.07.2020, op ed by Vedran Dzihic, „Serbien im despotischen Würgegriff“
- **Kurier**, 24.07.2020, Interview mit Cengiz Günay, „Hagia Sophia: Die "Auferstehung" der Moschee“
- **Kurier**, 26.07.2020, Interview mit Cengiz Günay „Erdoğan sieht sich als "historischer Führer" mit Mission. Wie der Präsident der Türkei tickt, und warum er intern wie extern für eine derart starke Polarisierung sorgt, analysiert Experte Cengiz Günay.
- **Tacno.Net**, 31.07.2020, Interview by Vedran Dzihic, „Medijska kultura sjećanja – u znak sjećanja na 25 godina genocida u Srebrenici“

August

- **NIN**, 06.08.2020, Interview by Vedran Dzihic, “Da li je car go?“
- **Der Spiegel**, 16.08.2020, Interview and Contribution with Vedran Dzihic, „Vucics Angriff auf die Reste der Freiheit“
- **NZZ** (Serbian weekly), 20.08.2020, op ed by Vedran Dzihic, “When East meets West – der neue autoritäre Nationalismus und seine Demokratiefeindlichkeit drohen zu einem gesamteuropäischen Problem zu werden“
- **WDR 5** Radio, 27.08.2020, Gespräch mit Cengiz Günay, Sendung Politikum, „Leise Diplomatie im Türkeikonflikt“
- **NIN** (Serbian weekly), 27.08.2020, op ed by Vedran Dzihic, „Građani da odluče - vožd ili racionalna država“

- **European Western Balkans**, 28.08.2020, commentary by Vedran Dzihic, “Vučić’s false Europeanism has been leading Serbia to autocracy for years”
- **Kosmo**, 31.08.2020, op ed by Vedran Dzihic, “Ausschluss der Migrant*innen vom Wahlrecht ist ein demokratiepolitisches Problem”

September

- **N1**, 05.09.2020, Live-Discussion in the TV show by Vedran Dzihic, “Za Kseniju Pavlović sporazum istorijski, za Vedrana Džihića Trampov rijaliti”
- **BIRN**, 07.09.2020, op ed by Vedran Dzihic, “Serbia Must Choose Soon Between Despotism and Rational State”
- **Kurier**, 08.09.2020, Cengiz Günay, „Kampf ums Mittelmeer. Warum Erdogan in die Offensive geht“
- **Tiroler Tageszeitung**, 17.09.2020, Cengiz Günay, “Experte: Österreichs Parteinahme für Griechenland im Gasstreit unklug”
- **Kurier Podcast**, 17.09.2020, Cengiz Günay
- **VOX-Pol**, 23.09.2020, Michael Hartinger and Daniela Pisoiu, The name of the game in radicalisation prevention
- **Der Standard**, 30.09.2020, Kommentar der anderen by Clemens Binder, „(K)eine Lösung für die Migrationskrise?“

October

- **Online talk with Oya Günay**, 08.10.2020, talk with Saskia Stachowitsch, “Diversity and Gender Equality in Academia”.
- **Novi Magazin**, 13.10.2020, Interview with Vedran Dzihic, „Sporazum Beograda i Prištine, globalne promena i uticaj na politički život na Balkanu i politička situacija u Austriji“
- **Danas**, 18.10.2020, Interview with Vedran Dzihic, „EU nema „recept“ za balkanske autokrate“
- **Der Standard**, 20.10. 2020, Kommentar der anderen by Daniela Pisoiu „Das Comeback der IS-Jihad-Subkultur“
- **Tiroler Jugendzeitschrift „zum Beispiel“**, 23.10.2020, article by Eva Karlinger and Daniela Pisoiu „DECOUNT (Video-)Spielend gegen Extremismus und Radikalisierung“
- **Wiener Zeitung**, 28.10.2020, Interview mit Cengiz Günay, “Türkei wirtschaftlich unter Druck. Der Boykottaufruf gegen Frankreich soll auch von wirtschaftlichen Problemen im Land ablenken.”
- **Falter Radio**, 29.10. 2020, Podcast with Daniela Pisoiu, „Die Ermordung des Lehrers Samuel Paty in Frankreich – #412“

November

- **ORF 3**, 03.11.2020, Gespräch mit Terrorexpertin Daniela Pisoiu
- **Der Standard**, 03.11.2020, Article by Daniela Pisoiu, „Der harte Kampf gegen die Propaganda der Jihadisten“
- **Die Presse**, 03.11.2020, Article by Daniela Pisoiu, „Der harte Kampf gegen die Propaganda der Jihadisten“
- **Wiener Zeitung**, 03.11.2020, Article by Daniela Pisoiu, „Herzzerreißend, aber nicht spal tend. Die Taktik der Terroristen ist es, die Gesellschaft zu teilen. In Wien hatten sie damit soweit keinen Erfolg“
- **Wiener Zeitung**, 03.11.2020, Article by Daniela Pisoiu, "Mit Anschlägen war zu rechnen"
- **Die Presse**, 04.11.2020, Article by Daniela Pisoiu, „Die jihadistische Szene in Österreich Radikalismus“
- **NOS NIEUWS** 04.11.2020, Article by Daniela Pisoiu, „Oostenrijkse geheime dienst onder vuur na aanslag“
- **BHRT**, 03.11.2020, Terrorism in Vienna, Live-Interview with Vedran Dzihic in the main news on the BiH national TV broadcaster
- **Al Jazeera Balkan**, 03.11.2020, Terrorism in Vienna, Live-Interview with Vedran Dzihic in the main news
- **N1**, 4.11.2020, Live-Interview with Vedran Dzihic: “Beč se vraća normalnom životu, ali građani su još napeti”
- **ORF 1**, Dok1, 04.11.2020, Interview with Daniela Pisoiu, „Wie kann es geschehen, dass junge Menschen, die in Österreich geboren wurden und hier aufgewachsen, islamistischen Ideologien verfallen?“
- **ZIB Nacht**, 04.11.2020, Daniela Pisoiu vom Österreichischen Institut für Internationale Politik sieht Verbesserungsbedarf bei der Deradikalisierung und Reintegration von islamistischen Straftätern.
- **Nova.RS** (Serbian TV station), 5.11.2020, Live debate on terrorist attacks in Vienna, Vedran Dzihic live
- **Der Standard**, 06.11.2020, Wiener Terrorist hatte brisante Verbindungen nach Deutschland, Interview mit Vedran Dzihic
- **The Christian Science Monitor**, 07.11.2020, Interview with Daniela Pisoiu, “As lone wolf attacks go up, can Europe keep Islamophobia down?”
- **uni:view**, 09.11.2020, comment by Saskia Stachowitsch in “US-Wahl: Positive Signale oder echte Veränderung?“
- **ARD Wien**, 09.11.2020, Interview with Daniela Pisoiu, Angriff auf Wien – Schwierige Suche nach Antworten
- **SRF 4 News**, 12.11.2020, Interview with Daniela Pisoiu, „Die Rolle der Frauen im IS“

- **Die Presse**, 24.11.2020, Interview with Daniela Pisoiu „Wie Deradikalisierung von Extremisten gelingt“
- **Der Standard**, 20.11.2020, Kommentar der Anderen by Vedran Dzihic, „Der Glaube an ein bosnisches Wunder“
- **Danas**, 23.11.2020, Interview by Vedran Dzihic, „Teško je vidjeti funkcionalnu BiH u okviru ovakve dejtonske logike“
- **Die Furche**, 25.11.2020, Gastkommentar, op ed by Vedran Dzihic, Risiken der Demokratie: „Wut und Ohnmacht“
- **WOZ – Die Wochenzeitung**, 26.11.2020, Interview with Vedran Dzihic, „25 JAHRE DAYTON-ABKOMMEN, «Ein dynamischer Zeitpunkt für das Land»“
- **Servus TV**, 26.11.2020, TV-documentary with comments by Vedran Dzihic, „Hat man den Terrorismus unterschätzt?“

December

- **Falter Podcast**, 03.12.2020, Podcast with Sherin Gharib, “How dangerous is the Muslim Brotherhood?”
- **Ö1**, 07.12.2020, Ö1 Europagespräch with Vedran Dzihic and Teresa Reiter on the topic „Gefährden die neuen Despoten in Mittel- und Osteuropa die Einheit der Union?“
- **Mosaik-Blog**, 10.12.2020, Interview mit Katharina T. Paul (Universität Wien) und Christian Haddad (oiip) zum Thema: „Impfskepsis, Covid-19 und die Pharmaindustrie: Warum eine Impfpflicht sinnvoll sein könnte“
- **Ö1**, 14.12.2020, Live-Interview with Vedran Dzihic in „Mittagsjournal“ on the topic „Bosnien: 25 Jahre nach Dayton“

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