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International Conference / Conférence internationale

Peace Operations and State Building: International Initiatives and Local Perceptions and Responses

October 31– November 2, 2010

Program

**The Drachlis Hall (496 4th floor) Gilman building
Tel Aviv University Campus, Ramat Aviv**

Day 1, Sunday October 31

16.00 Welcome

Aron Shai (Rector, Tel Aviv University)

Astrid v. Busekist (TAU/Sciences-Po)

16.30 – 19.00 Introduction: Peace building, state building: morality and legitimacy of peace operations

Chair – Astrid von Busekist

From the "Axis of evil" to the "Axis of upheaval": Dilemmas in how to deal with failed states –

Benny Miller (Haifa University)

Non-state actor's role in peace-building

Galia Golan (Interdisciplinary Center, Herzeliya)

Morality, legality, legitimacy in state building: What (if anything) have we learnt from Iraq and Afghanistan - *Rajan Menon* – (City College of New York/City University of New York)

Day 2, Monday November 1

9.00 – 11.00 *Dealing with the Balkan ghosts*

Chair - Ephraim Lavie (Tel Aviv University)

The puzzle of the continuing Bosnian crisis: international policies and local realities

Ioannis Armakolas (The Hellenic Center for European Studies, Athens)

Macedonia: why did it work?

Kristof Bender (European Stability Initiative – ESI)

Kosovo: Thinking its way into existence – How local politics and international intervention created a state-consciousness without a state

Dalia Sheindlin (Tel Aviv University)

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11.00 – 11.30 Coffee break

11.30 – 13.30 Iraq: Successful Peace Building after all?
Chair– Jean Pierre Filiu (Sciences-Po)

The political process in Iraq: Essence, reality and myths
Ronen Zeidel (University of Haifa)

Shi'is as a factor in the construction of peace and state-building in post-Saddam Iraq: stabilizing and destabilizing trends and forces
Rachel Kantz Feder (Tel Aviv University)

From survival to revival: Can Iraqi Kurdistan be a model of stability for the region
Ofra Bengio (Tel Aviv University)

14.45 - 16.45 Afghanistan and Yemen: state building facing Islamist challenge
Chair - Shaul Shai (Interdisciplinary Center, Herzliya)

The circumstances that led Afghanistan to becoming a greenhouse for global terrorism
Asaf Maliach (Interdisciplinary Center, Herzliya)

Afghanistan's Achilles Heal: State-building and governance in insecure environment
Vanda Felbab-Brown (Brookings Institution)

Is Yemen on the way to a failed state?
Uzi Rabi (Tel Aviv University)

16.45 – 17.00 Coffee break

17.00 - 18.45 Africa – Sorting out major human catastrophes in North East Africa
Chair – Benny Neuberger (The Open University)

The origin of failed peace strategies in Somalia after the Cold War
Chen Kertcher (Tel Aviv University)

African Mission in Sudan and the Darfur conflict: Sovereignty and foreign intervention reconsidered
Irit Back (Tel Aviv University)

Uganda - Peace operations and local resistances: the failed internationalization of the Ugandan conflict resolution
Sandrine Perrot (Sciences-Po)

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Day 3, November 2

9.00–11.00 *Reconstructing failed states in Africa*
Chair – Galia Sabar (Tel Aviv University)

From unknown to uncertain: The efforts to rebuild Liberia
Kuti Gershoni (Tel Aviv University)

Hostages of peace? Dilemmas of intervention in post-war Mozambique
Teresa Koloma Beck (Center for Conflict Studies, Marburg)

The power to make peace: UN Peace Operations and the use of local media in African conflicts: UN Missions in Côte d'Ivoire and DRC Congo
Charles Tenenbaum (Centre d'Etudes et de Recherches Internationales, Sciences-Po)

11.00 – 11.30 Coffee break

11.30- 13.30 *Israel – Palestine: The politics of Peace-making and peace-building*
Chair - Shimon Shamir (Tel Aviv University)

State and Peace in the Palestinian-Israeli conflict
Gabi Ben Dor (University of Haifa)

Apparent consistencies and perceived inconsistencies in Israeli public opinion on peace-making and peace-building (1994-2000)
Tamar Hermann (Israel Democracy Institute, Open University)

Palestinian perspective – **Sufian abu Zeida**

15.00-17.00 *Peace building and state-building in Israel-Palestine*
Chair - Meir Litvak (Tel Aviv University)

A viable Palestinian state-building process, an Israeli perspective
Kobi Michael (Ben Gurion University)

A viable Palestinian state-building process, Palestinian perspective
Menachem Klein (Bar Ilan University)

Is it possible? Lessons from Israeli-Palestinian civil society cooperation
Ron Pundak (The Peres Center for Peace)

17.00 – 17.30 Coffee break

17.30 - 19.30 Conclusion :
Chair – Mottie Tamarkin (Tel Aviv University)

Rajan Menon (City College of New York/City University of New York)

Efrat Elron (Logos Technologies/consultant)

Frédéric Encel (Sciences-Po)

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