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, Herzliya)

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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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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