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### **Abstract**

The goal of this compilation of blogs & podcasts is to provide a useful selection of entry points to political and academic discourses on global politics and policies. The compilation is "work in progress" and will be regularly updated. The information presented cites or is based on the online self-portrayals of the respective blogs and podcasts.

Please, note that contributions on blogs & podcasts are very often pieces of opinions and rather not simple presentations of academic research findings. Therefore, you should always critically reflect upon these kind of contributions to the public discourse.

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Blogs & Podcasts

### 35 West

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Podcast: The CSIS Americas Program podcast looks at the politics and policies of the 35 countries in the Western Hemisphere. It especially focuses on U.S. engagement with the region, whether on trade, diplomacy, or security issues like drugs and terrorism. Guests include top policymakers from the U.S. and other countries.

### 49

https://www.csis.org/podcasts/49

**Podcast:** What is the past, present, and future of U.S. policy towards sub-Saharan Africa? Judd Devermont, Director of the Africa Program at the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS), and Nicole Wilett, Chief of Staff at the Open Society Foundations, sit down with diplomats, journalists, civil society activists, and academics to discuss policy recommendations for the Biden Administration. In 15 minutes or less, these episodes deliver the goods on U.S. relations with African countries, as well as share the best of African music, food, dance, film, and travel.

# **African Arguments**

https://africanarguments.org/about-african-arguments/

**Blog**: African Arguments is a pan-African platform for news, investigation and opinion. We seek to analyse issues facing the continent, investigate the stories that matter, and amplify a diversity of voices.

While big news organisations break the news, African Arguments breaks down the news. We do this through our extensive network of journalists, researchers and commentators. We examine the major events making the headlines - adding much-needed nuance, complexity and context - while at the same time shining a light on under-covered issues some would rather were kept in the dark. We cover topics related to politics, economics, gender, the environment, culture, social affairs and much more.

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African Arguments also provides a crucial and unique platform for predominantly African writers to reach a predominantly African, and international, audience. Of the 200+ articles we published in 2017, over two-thirds were by African authors. The majority of our readers meanwhile are of African descent, whether living on the continent or in the diaspora.

African Arguments is an editorially-independent platform brought to you by the Royal African Society (RAS). It was co-founded with The World Peace Foundation and International Africa Institute. We are supported by the Miles Morland Foundation, and have previously received grants from: Open Society Initiative (Site overheads 2011 – 2014); Humanity United (Making Sense of the Sudans 2014 – 15); United States Institute of Peace (Nigeria Forum 2014 – 15); Expertise on Central Africa (Central Africa Forum 2015). Articles are published on a Creative Commons licence.

# African Research Institute Blog (understanding Africa today)

https://www.africaresearchinstitute.org/newsite/ari-blog/

**Blog**: Africa Research Institute (ARI) encourages debate, questions orthodoxy and challenges "received wisdom" in and about Africa. We seek to promote an informed, nuanced and representative understanding of the continent. Our work draws attention to good practice and innovation, while also identifying where new approaches might be needed.

### **America's Choice Podcast**

https://www.aspeninstitute.de/de/transatlantik-programm-2/

**Podcast**: "America's Choice – Der USA-Podcast" ist der deutschsprachige Podcast des Aspen Institute Germany und der Atlantik-Brücke zur US-Politik. Der Podcast thematisiert die politischen Entwicklungen in den USA, die innen- und außenpolitischen Prioritäten der US-Administration und die Auswirkungen auf die transatlantischen Beziehungen. Er wird gemeinsam von Dr. Stormy-Annika Mildner, Executive Director des Aspen Institutes Deutschland, und Dr. David Deißner, Geschäftsführer der Atlantik-Brücke, moderiert. In jeder Folge sprechen die beiden Hosts mit ausgewählten

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Expertinnen und Experten über die neuesten Entwicklungen auf der anderen Seite des Atlantiks. Der Podcast kann bei Spotify, Apple Podcasts und anderen Plattformen abgerufen werden.

# Amerikas Verfassung: Politik und Gesellschaft in den USA -**Atlantischer Podcast**

https://www.atlantische-akademie.de/podcast/p/3

Podcast: "Amerikas Verfassung. Politik und Gesellschaft in den USA" - so heißt der neue Podcast der Atlantischen Akademie. Im Teaser zum Podcast erfahrt Ihr, wer wir sind, was uns mit den USA verbindet und warum es sich lohnt, unserem Podcast zu folgen. Zukünftig begrüßen Euch David Sirakov und Sarah Wagner von der Atlantischen Akademie um über politische und gesellschaftliche Entwicklungen zu berichten und sie zu analysieren.

### The Asia Chessboard

https://www.csis.org/podcasts/asia-chessboard

Podcast: The "Asia Chessboard" features in-depth conversations with the most prominent strategic thinkers on Asia. CSIS Senior Vice President for Asia and former senior national security council official Michael Green takes the debate beyond the headlines of the day to explore the historical context and inside decision-making process on major geopolitical developments from the Himalayas to the South China Sea. Experience the hard calls and consequential debates that drive US policy towards this critical region of the world. The Asia Chessboard is produced by Mark Donaldson.

# **Babel: Translating the Middle East**

https://www.csis.org/podcasts/babel-translating-middle-east

**Podcast:** Babel will take you beyond the headlines to discuss what's really happening in the Middle East and North Africa. It features regional experts who explain what's going on, provide context on pivotal developments, and highlight trends you may have missed. Jon Alterman, senior vice president,

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Zbigniew Brzezinski Chair in Global Security and Geostrategy, and director of the Middle East Program at the Center for Strategic and International Studies hosts the podcast along with his colleagues from the Middle East Program. This podcast is made possible through the generous support of the Embassy of the United Arab Emirates. All views, positions, and conclusions expressed here should be understood to be solely of those of the speaker(s).

# Big tech with Taylor Owen

https://www.cigionline.org/big-tech/

**Podcast**: Depending who you ask, big tech is either going to save humanity or destroy us. Taylor Owen thinks it's a little more complicated than that. Join him in conversation with leading thinkers as they make sense of a world transformed by technology.

Taylor Owen is a senior fellow with the Centre for International Governance Innovation (CIGI) and is the Beaverbrook Chair of Media, Ethics and Communications, the director of the Centre for Media, Technology and Democracy, and an associate professor at the Max Bell School of Public Policy at McGill University.

# "Bridging Voices" & "Talking PresiDEncy"

https://www.kas.de/en/web/mned-bruessel/podcasts

Podcast: Audio Podcasts (Multinational Development Policy Dialogue Brussels, KAS): Our interviews and online events support multi-stakeholder dialogue on sustainable development, with a focus on the nexus of democracy and governance, peace and security, climate and energy. We are a bridgebuilder between the EU and the Global South. We implement and facilitate multi-stakeholder dialogue on sustainable development, with a focus on the nexus of democracy and governance, peace and security, climate and energy.

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# **Brookings - International Affairs Blog Posts**

https://www.brookings.edu/topic/international-affairs/?type=posts

**Blog**: Topics cover foreign policy, economics, development, governance and metropolitan policy.

### **BTI Blog**

https://blog.bti-project.org/

**Blog**: The Blog of the Bertelsmann Stiftung's Transformation Index shares local insights from the network of BTI experts and journalists in developing and transition countries.

## **CEE New Perspectives**

http://ceenewperspectives.iir.cz/about-us/

**Blog**: EE New Perspectives is the companion blog of the academic journal New Perspectives which is published by the Institute of International Relations (IIR) in Prague. Like the journal, the blog takes an interdisciplinary look at the politics, societies and cultures of Central and Eastern Europe (CEE).

However, while the journal is dedicated to publishing high-quality academic research, the blog provides a flexible and responsive, interactive platform for debate, discussion and dissemination of information, analysis and insight into CEE. We intend to become a key hub, agora and repository for everyone interested in the region.

We will publish original academically informed, yet accessible commentary and analysis of contemporary and historical issues relating to the region; high quality journalism and essays including long-reads; reviews engagements with regional-relevant literature, visual art, architecture, urbanism, film, music and drama; photo and video essays, poetry and a variety of multi-media.

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# The Civilian Protection Podcast (Center for Civilians in Conflict)

https://civiliansinconflict.org/podcast/

**Blog**: Every day, 100 civilians are killed in conflict and countless more are harmed, often without recognition, recourse, or justice. Yet their perspectives are repeatedly missing from the stories we tell about war and the way we think about war's costs. The Civilian Protection Podcast, brought to you by CIVIC and PAX, shares the voices of people affected by war, the dangers they face, the choices they make, and what can be done to better protect them — because we believe it's time to put them at the center of the discussion.

# Climate & Conflict Blog - PRIO

https://blogs.prio.org/ClimateAndConflict/about-this-blog/

**Blog**: The Climate & Conflict blog publishes updates from relevant PRIO-based research, as well as general reflections on security dimensions of climate and environmental change, written by PRIO scholars and selected guest contributors.

PRIO presently hosts three research projects that jointly have an overarching goal of addressing the relationship between climate and conflict: CAVE, CLIMSEC, and CROP. Some of the questions these projects ask are: How does agricultural productivity relate to conflict risk? Under what circumstances does extreme weather events affect political stability? What are the main scientific challenges and knowledge gaps that need to be addressed in order to better prepare for the future?

Climate change constitutes a significant threat to human security, but the research community to date has failed to uncover robust causal patterns between environmental change and armed conflict. Just like the nature and extent of environmental change vary across regions, so do societies' sensitivity to these changes. Our research is dedicated to disentangling such conditional and indirect causal processes because we believe that rigorous, nuanced, and evidence-based knowledge is necessary to device effective policies for minimizing adverse social impacts of climate change.

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On this blog, you will find updated information on publications, events, and activities of relevance to environmental security research. We encourage you to join the discussion and leave a comment in the comments field.

# **Climate Diplomacy Podcast**

https://climate-diplomacy.org/magazine/cooperation/climate-diplomacypodcast

**Podcast**: The climate diplomacy podcast gives insights to current topics in international climate diplomacy. Our hosts interviews authors of recent publications or experts on their take of what needs to be done to promote climate foreign policy.

# Conflict and Environment Observatory (CEOBS) Blog

https://ceobs.org/blog/

**Blog**: CEOBS was launched in 2018 with the primary goal of increasing awareness and understanding of the environmental and derived humanitarian consequences of conflicts and military activities. In this, we seek to challenge the idea of the environment as a 'silent victim of armed conflict'. CEOBS builds on six years of research and policy work by its predecessor the Toxic Remnants of War Project. The Project sought to identify new opportunities for collecting data on environmental harm and the human suffering it causes, and the means through which data could be used to inform greater protection for the environment, and for those who depend on it, before during and after armed conflicts. CEOBS' work will extend beyond the environmental consequences of war to also consider the role of environmental factors in triggering or driving insecurity. We intend for this website, which aggregates information on multiple conflicts and topics, to be a resource for policy-makers, researchers, activists and journalists interested in the environmental dimensions of armed conflicts.

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### The Conversation

https://theconversation.com/uk/who-we-are

**Blog**: The Conversation is an independent source of news and views, sourced from the academic and research community and delivered direct to the public.

Our team of professional editors work with university and research institute experts to unlock their knowledge for use by the wider public.

Access to independent, high quality, authenticated, explanatory journalism underpins a functioning democracy. Our aim is to allow for better understanding of current affairs and complex issues. And hopefully allow for a better quality of public discourse and conversations.

We aim to help rebuild trust in journalism. All authors and editors sign up to our Editorial Charter. All contributors must abide by our Community Standards policy. We only allow authors to write on a subject on which they have proven expertise, which they must disclose alongside their article. Authors' funding and potential conflicts of interest must also be disclosed. Failure to do so carries a risk of being banned from contributing to the site.

The Conversation launched in Australia in March 2011 and in the UK in May 2013.

# The Corruption in Fragile States Blog

https://sites.tufts.edu/ihs/the-corruption-in-fragile-states-blog/

**Blog**: The Corruption in Fragile States Blog fosters conversation about the effectiveness of anti-corruption initiatives among practitioners, academics, and policymakers working in the context of endemic corruption.

As an arm of the Corruption, Justice and Legitimacy Program, the Blog challenges conventional thinking and takes a deep dive into critical issues in the field, such as systems-based approaches to corruption, social norms, gender, and research methods. Featuring guest posts from leading experts, practitioners, and our own team, topics range from quick-bite summaries of

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new research findings from Iraq to Uganda, to provocative thought pieces intended to challenge dominant paradigms and practices.

## **CPD Policy Blog**

https://policyblog.uni-graz.at/

**Blog**: The CPD Policy Blog creates a bridge between science and politics, thus relating the enlightening potential of science to the field of political practice. The CPD Policy Blog tackles challenges and identifies opportunities in policy making: from engagement of grass roots movements to decision-making by high-ranking government officials. Its short but concise contributions provide highly accessible and comprehensive information for actors in this broad field.

The blog's institutional foundation relates to the field of peace and conflict studies: It analyses formations of violence and conflicts in order to describe strategies that resolve those in the short, medium and long term. Against that background, the blog draws together expertise from all various field of science and aims at contributing to social progress and enabling sustainable politics.

# **Diplo's Diplomacy Blog Channel**

https://www.diplomacy.edu/blog

**Blog**: Diplo is a non-profit foundation established by the governments of Malta and Switzerland. Diplo works to increase the role of small and developing states, and to improve global governance and international policy development. Read Diplo's diplomacy blog channel for reflections on the history and meaning of diplomacy, with contributors including Diplo Director Jovan Kurbalija.

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# Dealing with the Past - Exchange and Reflect

https://www.frient.de/en/transitional-justice-blog

**Blog**: Die Bundesregierung hat erstmals eine ressortgemeinsame Strategie "Vergangenheitsarbeit und Versöhnung (Transitional Justice)" erarbeitet, die nun veröffentlicht wurde. Sie stützt sich auf umfangreiche Erfahrungen der bisherigen Arbeit wie sie exemplarisch im vergangenen Jahr durch den PeaceLab Blog zur Vergangenheitsarbeit eingebracht worden sind. Gleichzeitig formuliert sie ambitionierte Ziele für die nächsten Jahre, deren Umsetzung vielfältige fachliche Herausforderungen bedeuten.

Der neue Blog bietet allen Akteuren in diesem Feld eine Plattform, um sich über praktische Erfahrungen, praxisrelevante Forschungsergebnisse, politische Entwicklungen und Veränderungen in der Akteurslandschaft auszutauschen. Erstmals lädt er dabei auch Akteure der deutschen Erinnerungskultur ein, sich an diesem Austausch zu beteiligen.

Mit welchen Themen startet der Blog? Der Blog startet mit Fragen die von zentraler politscher Bedeutung sind oder aber besondere methodische Herausforderungen darstellen:

Radical Critical: Transitional Justice ist als Politikfeld international akzeptiert und professionalisiert. Stimmen aber seine impliziten und expliziten Grundlagen weiterhin? Welche Annahmen, Denkmuster oder Praktiken sind in Frage zu stellen?

Diversity/Dialogue: Peacebuilding verlangt die Integration gegensätzlicher Narrative. Dafür müssen sie friedensfähig gemacht/ transformiert werden. Wie kann das gelingen? Wie können verschiedene Perspektiven im gesellschaftlichen Diskurs oder in einem Museum sichtbar gemacht werden. Was ist dabei das Verbindende in der Vielfalt? Wie Relativismus und Beliebigkeit ausschließen?

*Impact*: Transitional Justice ist wertebewegt und verspricht, zum Aufbau nachhaltig friedlicher und gerechter Gesellschaften beizutragen. Was wissen wir über seine tatsächlichen Wirkungen?

*Prevention*: Transitional Justice versteht sich als genuin präventiver Ansatz. Wie kann sein präventives Potential gestärkt werden?

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Gender: Gender wird praktisch vor allem mit der Integration von Frauen und ihren Perspektiven in Prozesse und Institutionen verbunden. Welche Herausforderungen sind dabei praktisch zu lösen. Für welche weiteren Themen, die im Kontext von TJ-Maßnahmen bearbeitbar sind, öffnet Gender den Blick?

Digital/Public History: Welche Chancen bestehen in der Digitalisierung von Erinnerung? Wie können Risiken minimiert und Gefahren begegnet werden? Wie können Wissen und Narrative über die Vergangenheit die breite Öffentlichkeit erreichen?

Youth: Die Nachgeborenen tragen keine unmittelbare Verantwortung. Sie können Geschichte ignorieren, sich mit Tätern oder Opfern identifizieren. Wie können jungen Menschen für Geschichte interessiert und motiviert werden, sich für ein friedliches Zusammenleben einzusetzen.

# **Diplomatic Immunity - Institute for the Study of Diplomacy**

https://isd.georgetown.edu/news/diplomaticimmunity/?source=post\_page----7da31e7d4bb4-----

**Podcast**: Diplomatic Immunity is the Institute for the Study of Diplomacy's podcast. We bring you frank and candid conversations with experts on the issues facing diplomats and national security decision makers around the world.

# **Development and Peace Blog**

https://www.uni-due.de/inef/blog/index.php?offset=9#list\_5\_0

**Blog:** Blog of the Institute for Development and Peace (INEF) at the University Duisburg-Essen.

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# The Diplomatic Pouch – Institute for the Study of Diplomacy

https://medium.com/the-diplomatic-pouch

**Blog**: A blog from Georgetown University's Institute for the Study of Diplomacy.

# The Disorder of Things: For the Relentless Criticism of All Existing Conditions Since 2010

https://thedisorderofthings.com/

**Blog:** The Disorder Of Things; Being a group blog devoted to the critical inquiry of global politics, but with a Decided Preference for the exploration of the Normative, the Philosophical and the Polemical. This is not an institutional blog. We are all academics working in the field of International Relations, broadly understood. And our posts are therefore – on the whole – about International Relations, broadly understood. But we do not post here as part of our day job, unless explicitly noted

### **Duck of Minerva**

https://www.duckofminerva.com/

**Blog**: The Duck of Minerva focuses on world politics from an academic perspective. Most of its bloggers have pretentious letters after their names, or are in the process of getting them.

Current core contributors teach at a number of different institutions, including (but not limited to) American University, Hobart & William Smith College, Mount Holyoke College and the Five Colleges, Inc., Reading University, the University of Louisville, the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, and the University of Missouri-Columbia. Guest contributors hail from an even greater number of institutions — be warned, though, that the Duck's administrators aren't very assiduous about keeping the list of guest bloggers updated.

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Dan Nexon founded the Duck in May of 2005 (unfortunately, the comments from our salad days have all been lost). He soon invited Patrick Thaddeus Jackson (PTJ) and Rodger Payne to join. Ever since then, the blog has, in a Borg-like fashion, assimilated an ever-growing roster of academics in an attempt to increase "intellectual diversity," i.e., reduce the burden on existing members.

No one is quite sure what the name of the blog is all about. Not even Nexon. But we do know that it only quacks at twilight.

## Elcano Blog

https://blog.realinstitutoelcano.org/en/about-elcano-blog/

**Blog**: The Elcano Blog is the Elcano Royal Institute's platform for dialogue which brings the ideas and opinions the ideas and opinions of our analysts on Spain's foreign policy and action abroad and, indeed, on Spain's global projection and international relations in general. The contents of this blog are also linked to the Institute's research, publications and activities and its participation in global networks along with other think-tanks. Both authors and readers, fully identified as such, will be part of a community of users whose interaction and dialogue is moderated by community standards, participations guidelines and comments policy.

### About the Elcano Royal Institute

The Elcano Royal Institute (Real Instituto Elcano) is a private entity, independent of both the Public Administration and the companies that provide most of its funding. Its output aims to be of use to Spain's decisionmakers, both public and private, active on the international scene. Its work should similarly promote the knowledge of Spain in the strategic scenarios in which the country's interests are at stake.

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### **EJIL: The Podcast**

http://www.ejil.org/podcast.php

**Podcast**: The aim of EJIL: The Podcast is to provide an additional EJIL forum for in-depth, expert but accessible discussion of international law issues in contemporary international and national affairs. We hope that readers of the journal and of the blog, who already have expertise in international law, will listen to the podcast. However, we also hope to attract an audience that extends beyond the international law specialist. The podcast is hosted by Sarah Nouwen (Cambridge), EJIL's Co-Editor-in-Chief; Philippa Webb (KCL), Dapo Akande (Oxford); and Marko Milanovic (Nottingham). We also hope to have guests contribute to our discussions from time to time.

### **EU Confidential**

https://www.politico.eu/newsletter/eu-confidential/

**Podcast**: A weekly podcast and newsletter featuring keynote interviews, quotes, and weekend reads on the forces shaping Europe.

# Friedensakademie Rheinland-Pfalz Blog

https://www.friedensakademie-blog.eu/

**Blog**: Der Friedensakademie-Blog verbindet Forschungs- und Praxisbeiträge zu Themen der zivilen Konfliktbearbeitung und Krisenprävention. Er trägt damit gezielt zu einer Stärkung friedenswissenschaftlicher und -politischer Dialoge zwischen Wissenschaft, Praxis, Zivilgesellschaft und Politik be

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# From Poverty to Power (Blog)

https://oxfamblogs.org/fp2p/about/

**Blog**: From Poverty to Power is meant to be a conversation, a chance to compare notes on the great swirling cloud of chatter, opinion, argument and on-the-ground experience that makes the development scene so fascinating.

The blog will include regular contributions from Duncan Green, prompted by events, trips and things I read, or the debates I engage in on a daily basis. But it will also include a range of guest bloggers, and it will only work if others get involved - that makes the difference between this being a real discussion, and a barren cyberspace version of those delusional souls on soapboxes, ranting away to a non-existent audience at Hyde Park's 'speakers' corner' in London.

The blog is co-written and maintained by Duncan Green, strategic adviser for Oxfam GB, author of 'From Poverty to Power', 'How Change Happens' and Professor in Practice at the London School of Economics. He's also a lead educator for the free online course Make Change Happen, developed by Oxfam with the Open University.

# From Poverty to Power (Podcast)

https://feeds.buzzsprout.com/1321498.rss

**Podcast**: This is a conversation podcast by Duncan Green, strategic adviser for Oxfam GB, author of 'How Change Happens' and Professor in Practice at the London School of Economics. This personal reflection is not intended as a comprehensive statement of the agreed policies of either Oxfam or the LSE.

# Future of Globalisation - Blog of the German Development Institute

https://blogs.die-gdi.de/future-of-globalisation/

**Blog**: The section Future of Globalisation in this blog provides a platform for debates on current world economic issues, global power shifts and views on the roles of formal and informal global governance institutions. It is an

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initiative of the German Development Institute / Deutsches Institut für Entwicklungspolitik (DIE). The blog posts, appearing on every first and third Wednesday each month, are written by researchers from DIE and our international partners, amongst them numerous prestigious think tanks from rising powers. In this blog, the authors of the contributions represent only their personal opinion. While aiming at cutting-edge research content, the blog intends to reach a broader audience of researchers, government officials and journalists. With this blog we carry on discussions that had initially been launched in 2016 as part of the Think20 process during the German G20 presidency. In 2018, we aim at continuing the debate about the role of the G20 broadening the focus of discussion to institutional and thematic matters of global economic governance.

# **Gatehouse Blog**

https://www.gatewayhouse.in/publications/blogs/

**Blog**: Gateway House: Indian Council on Global Relations is a foreign policy think-tank established in 2009, to engage India's leading corporations and individuals in debate and scholarship on India's foreign policy and its role in global affairs. Gateway House's studies programme will be at the heart of the institute's scholarship, with original research by global and local scholars in geo-economics, geopolitics, foreign policy analysis, bilateral relations, democracy and nation-building, national security, ethnic conflict and terrorism, science, technology and innovation, and energy and environment.

### **Gatehouse Podcasts and Videos**

https://www.gatewayhouse.in/publications/podcasts-and-videos/

**Podcast:** We are a foreign policy think tank in Mumbai, the first established by two women, to engage India's leading corporations and individuals in debate and scholarship on India's foreign policy and the nation's role in global affairs. We are membership-based, independent, non-partisan and not-for-profit.

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Our scholarship reflects our view of India - open, global, innovative and a positive influence in a complex world. Our scholars cover new subjects such as geoeconomics and space technology - cutting edge not just in India but globally.

For those who wonder: Gateway House is not a lobbying organization. India has many of those, in the form of chambers of commerce, various associations, advocacy groups and the 2 million non-government organisations. Rather, our goal is to create public awareness and debate and make policy recommendations flowing from serious scholarship in international affairs.

### **Global Demons**

https://www.fpri.org/multimedia/global-demonspodcast/?utm\_source=FPRI+E-Mails&utm\_campaign=8268ef3a75-EMAIL CAMPAIGN 2017 22 12 COPY 01&utm medium=email&utm term =0\_e8d0f13be2-8268ef3a75-179164807

Podcast: Hosted by best-selling author Robert D. Kaplan, this 13-episode biweekly podcast features interviews with preeminent foreign policy experts discussing the critical issues and challenges facing the U.S. and its allies in this new era of great power rivalry. Each episode will cover how conflicts between the United States and China, and between the United States and Russia interact with pandemics, climate change, massive cyber-attacks, and other terrors of a global media age.

## The Hague Diplomacy Blog

https://www.universiteitleiden.nl/hjd/news/2019/introducing-the-haguediplomacy-blog

Blog: Welcome to the newly launched The Hague Diplomacy Blog! It is our aim to publish 10 blogs per year and we are very pleased that Ilan Manor has now joined our online team as HJD Blog Editor. We will solicit blogs and we also invite authors to make their own pitch, addressing new themes and

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perspectives, and kicking off fresh debates. Send your proposal of maximum 300 words to ilan.manor@stx.ox.ac.uk.

The short pieces that we have in mind will stimulate debate on the diplomatic aspects of international politics. The blog will host both policy makers and scholars, established academic and early career researchers, all eager to discuss the various ways in which diplomacy shapes international politics, diplomatic innovation in fast-changing political and social contexts and, among other things, the intersection of technology and diplomacy.

The HJD blog will correspond with articles published in The Hague Journal of Diplomacy. As such, we imagine that it will feature five types of blog posts. First, we especially welcome pieces that examine and debate the relationship between scholarly work, diplomacy as a practice, and the 'real world' of international politics. The second type of posts will be authored by scholars who have contributed to HJD, i.e. the journal, and who wish to discuss the relevance of their work with a broader community of scholars and practitioners. Guest editors of special issues may write a third category. These blogs will reflect on a special's main theme and its contribution to the study of diplomacy. The fourth, we suggest, could include posts in which academics, practitioners and thought leaders will comment on articles featured in HJD. These pieces may debate the relevance of a given article, its contribution to a specific line of academic inquiry or the need for additional scholarly work on a certain topic. Lastly, HJD blog posts do not shy away from theory and may reflect on how an article's contribution advances an important theoretical line of research and intellectual engagement with other disciplines.

We will publish the inaugural HJD blog in November, on the eve of HJD's 15th anniversary in 2020. Andrew F Cooper will critically examine populism's challenges to diplomacy, followed by blogs on the manner in which digital platforms empower Ambassadors, the role of images in diplomatic crises, and how neuroscience can inform diplomacy. And there will be much more. Blogs have become popular mediums through which academics may report their latest findings. Yet we hope to achieve more than this. We strive to trigger debates, introduce new concepts, explore innovative methodologies, identify novel topics of academic inquiry and bring the academic work of The Hague Journal of Diplomacy to a wider audience.

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# **HCA Graduate Blog**

https://hcagrads.hypotheses.org/about

**Blog**: The HCA Graduate Blog was founded by and for the graduate students of the HCA (Heidelberg Center for American Studies). It focuses on the research in American Studies at the Heidelberg Center for American Studies and wants to establish a platform for scientific newcomers and doctoral students. This is a platform that emphasizes the interdisciplinary research at our faculty, including fields like History, Literary Studies, Religious Studies, Political Science, Cultural Studies, Geography and Linguistics.

This blog offers a glimpse of the work done in the field of American Studies and hopes to ignite discussion and scientific debate among researchers across disciplinary boundaries.

# Humanitarian Law & Policy Blog

https://blogs.icrc.org/law-and-policy/about-the-blog/

Blog: The Humanitarian Law & Policy blog is a unique space for timely analysis and debate on international humanitarian law (IHL) issues and the policies that shape humanitarian action.

It is a place to identify trends, raise issues, consider future challenges and explore solutions as they pertain to IHL or humanitarian action.

We bring together informed academics, practitioners and others interested in engaging in serious, open-minded discussion. We complement the International Review of the Red Cross in featuring ongoing debates.

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# **Inside Cyber Diplomacy**

https://www.csis.org/podcasts/inside-cyber-diplomacy

**Postcast:** Inside Cyber Diplomacy presents a wide-ranging and thought-provoking look at international cybersecurity, its challenges, and practices. Through candid interviews with experts around the world, co-hosts Jim Lewis and Chris Painter explore how diplomacy and negotiation have shaped the field. This podcast series is made possible by the support of the Cyber Security Agency of Singapore and the Estonian Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

### **Into Africa**

https://www.csis.org/podcasts/africa

**Postcast:** Fearless music activists. Savvy tech entrepreneurs. Social disrupters. Into Africa shatters the narratives that dominate U.S. perceptions of Africa. Host Judd Devermont, Africa program director at the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS) in Washington D.C., sits down with policymakers, journalists, academics and other trailblazers in African affairs to shine a spotlight on the faces spearheading cultural, political, and economic change on the continent. Into Africa is produced by Remi Schott.

## **ISS Today**

https://issafrica.org/iss-today

**Blog**: ISS Today publish original analysis of currents events in Africa, every day. ISS Today articles are authored by ISS researchers and consultants, and are published daily online by 12.00. ISS Today is our most popular product, attracting more than 320 000 online readers a year.

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# Lage der Nation: Der Politik-Podcast aus Berlin mit Philip Banse und Ulf Buermeyer

https://lagedernation.org/

Podcast: In der "Lage der Nation" besprechen der Journalist Philip Banse und der Richter und Netz-Bürgerrechtler Ulf Buermeyer die politischen Ereignisse der jeweiligen Woche. Erst liefern sie Fakten und O-Töne, danach ordnen sie die Geschehnisse ein und diskutieren ihre Meinungen.

# Leiden International Relations Blog

http://leideninternationalrelationsblog.nl/about

Blog: The Leiden International Relations Blog is part of the Faculty of Humanities, Leiden University. The authors are experts and academics working at our faculty. The Leiden International Relations Blog stands out by reacting to current global events through a comparative, area studies lens, while at the same time touching on the research being performed within our faculty. The authors blog in a personal capacity.

### LIFEHACK PEACE

https://www.friedenskooperative.de/lifehack-peace-klimawandel-kriegfrieden

Podcast: In der ersten Folge des neuen Podcasts "LIFEHACK PEACE – dem friedenspolitischen Podcast" geht es um die Zusammenhänge zwischen dem Klimawandel, Krieg und Frieden. Außerdem geht es um Heiko Maas' Reise nach Japan und das Open Skies Abkommen.

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# The Loop - ECPR's Political Science Blog

https://theloop.ecpr.eu/about-us/

**Blog:** The Loop publishes short pieces on politics, policy programmes, societal and political issues, showcasing the work of the political science discipline at its best. Our readership extends beyond fellow political scientists, to include policy-makers, journalists, businesspeople and the general public. Here, you'll find blogpieces that might distil an academic journal article, or perhaps analyse a topical news story from a political science perspective. Contributions to The Loop are drawn from ECPR's 50+ Standing Groups and Research Networks; from our global institutional membership and from across the wider political science community.

# **NewSecurityBeat** -

the blog of the Environmental Change and Security Program

https://www.newsecuritybeat.org/who-we-are/

**Blog**: New Security Beat is the blog of the Wilson Center's Environmental Change and Security Program, with contributions from the Maternal Health Initiative, China Environment Forum, Urban Sustainability Laboratory, and Global Sustainability and Resilience Program.

Since 1994, the Environmental Change and Security Program (ECSP) has actively pursued the connections between the environment, health, population, development, conflict, and security. ECSP brings together scholars, policymakers, media, and practitioners through events, research, publications, multimedia content, and our award-winning blog.

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## **New Voices in global security**

https://medium.com/international-affairs-blog/tagged/early-career

**Blog**: In a new blog series, researchers draw on cutting edge research which utilize diverse empirical, methodological and theoretical approaches to understanding global security. Find out how diplomatic knowledge production affected the relationship between Muammar Gaddafi's Libya and the US during the 2000s and why insider acts are not usually reported by colleagues.

## **OECD Development Matters**

https://oecd-development-matters.org/about/

**Blog**: The paths to development are many. What works well in some countries might fail in others. Sharing experiences and expertise through peer-learning and mutual exchange can help policy makers around the world design their own solutions to the problems they face. This is the spirit of Development Matters, offering a platform through blogs for open and informed discussions on pressing development opportunities and challenges. Drawing on contributions from policy makers, opinion leaders, experts, private sector and civil society representatives in developing and OECD countries, Development Matters builds a robust conversation not only between countries and a diverse range of stakeholders, but also across policy areas.

# The Olive Branch - U.S. Institute of Peace blog

https://www.usip.org/blog

Blog: The U.S. Institute of Peace blog, The Olive Branch, delivers analysis, insight and perspective from our top experts on some of the world's hottest conflict zones. The blog focuses on high-priority topics: monitoring the current situation in strategic locations where USIP works, and offering succinct, practical scrutiny on complex issues. These posts represent the views of the authors and not those of USIP.

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### On Peace

https://www.usip.org/on-peace

**Podcast**: SiriusXM's POTUS Ch. 124 puts USIP experts on the hot seat weekly to tackle the latest international issues in 10 minute segments. Recent topics include protests in Iran, U.S.-Pakistan relations and the North Korean nuclear program. On Peace serves as the perfect way to stay up-to-date on international conflict without giving up your lunch hour.

# **PeacebyPeace**

https://peacelab.blog/debatte/peacebypeace

**Podcast**: "PeacebyPeace" ist ein Podcast zu Friedens- und Sicherheitspolitik, der der Frage nachgeht, wie wir in Deutschland und in Europa besser dazu beitragen können, Krisen zu verhindern und Frieden zu fördern. Der Podcast kann u.a. auf iTunes abonniert werden. Der Podcast ist Teil des PeaceLab-Blogs, ein Projekt von GPPi, welches vom Auswärtigen Amt finanziell unterstützt wird. Moderation und Produktion: Sarah Brockmeier. Unterstützung bei Musik, Schnitt und Produktion der drei Staffeln: Felix Hoffmann, Theresa Lütkefend, Marie Wagner, Mathis Römer.

### PeaceLab: Frieden und Sicherheit weiterdenken

https://peacelab.blog/hintergrund

**Blog**: 'Preventing Crises, Resolving Conflicts, Building Peace' are key challenges for Germany's and Europe's evolving international role. Berlin is investing in the field, both financially and conceptually. Between 2016 and June 2021, we discussed how to target these investments towards better crisis prevention, conflict management and peacebuilding on this blog. Many contributions are in German, but occasionally international experts shared their views in this English-language section. Editorial responsibility for this blog was with the Global Public Policy Institute (GPPi) in Berlin until June 2021. The German Federal Foreign Office plans to continue the PeaceLab platform and will inform you in due course.

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Kriege im Nahen Osten und in Afrika, Terrorismus in Europa, Flucht- und die Überforderung Migrationskrise vor unseren Haustüren, multilateralen Friedens- und Sicherheitssysteme - das alles macht deutlich, wie entscheidend Außen-, Sicherheits- und Entwicklungspolitik wieder für uns sind, und dass "weiter so" den Herausforderungen nicht gerecht wird.

"Weiterdenken" ist unser Anspruch für diesen Blog, der sich der Schnittstelle zwischen den traditionellen Politikfeldern widmet. "Krisen verhindern, Konflikte bewältigen, Frieden fördern", so beschreibt die Bundesregierung diese Schnittstelle im Titel ihrer Leitlinien vom Juni 2017. Das ist ein guter Anspruch für die Weiterentwicklung dieser drei Bausteine einer modernen, umfassenden Friedens- und Sicherheitspolitik für Deutschland und Europa.

# **Peace Policy: Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies**

https://peacepolicy.nd.edu/

**Blog & Podcast**: In this issue of Peace Policy and its accompanying podcast, our authors examine the implications of current laws governing forced migration in the U.S. and around the world, and suggest policy strategies that are needed to adapt to our rapidly changing global reality, and that are grounded in migrants' lived experiences and centered in advancing human dignity.

# The Policy Corner

https://www.policycorner.org/en/about/

**Blog**: The Policy Corner is an inclusive, independent platform for students and young professionals to publish research-based articles on global issues. Our mission is to empower young scholars to engage in public debate while providing readers with innovative commentaries on current policy challenges. All articles are subject to double-blind peer review, providing contributors constructive feedback on their argument and writing.

The Policy Corner was founded in 2016 by a group of eleven master's students studying international affairs at the Free University of Berlin and Sciences Po Paris. The majority of our team is currently based in Berlin. Since October

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2016 our team has been supported by six master's students at Sciences Po, who are contributing as members of a Projet Collectif.

# "Podcast vom Posten" - Auswärtiges Amt

https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/de/aamt/aussenpolitiklive/podcastvom-posten

Podcast: Außenpolitik auf die Ohren: Hören Sie hinein in das Innenleben deutscher Außenpolitik. In den "Podcast vom Posten" (SoundCloud, Spotify, RSS-Feed) sprechen Rebecca Kašēns und Joachim Knodt abwechselnd mit Gästen über aktuelle Themen und Herausforderungen für die deutsche Außenpolitik sowie für den Auswärtigen Dienst.

### **Pod Save America**

https://crooked.com/podcast-series/pod-save-america/

Podcast: Pod Save America is a no-bullshit conversation about politics hosted by former Obama aides Jon Favreau, Jon Lovett, Dan Pfeiffer and Tommy Vietor. It cuts through the noise to break down the week's news, and helps people figure out what matters and how they can help. They're regularly joined by journalists, activists, politicians, entertainers, and world leaders. New episodes come out on Mondays and Thursdays.

# **POLIS Blog**

https://polis180.org/polisblog/

Blog: Das Polis Blog ist für die Mitglieder des Grassroots-Thinktanks Polis180 der zentrale Ort, an dem sie ihre Ideen zur Außen- und Europapolitik der Öffentlichkeit präsentieren.

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### Politik 100x100 -

# Blog des Fachgebiets Politikwissenschaft an der Universität Hamburg

https://politik100x100.blogs.uni-hamburg.de/ueber-den-blog/

Blog: Willkommen auf dem Blog des Fachgebiets Politikwissenschaft der Universität Hamburg! Anlässlich des einhundertjährigen Jubiläums der Universität Hamburg führt dieser Blog in 100 Beiträgen über das gesamte die Geschichte und Gegenwart des Fachgebiets Politikwissenschaft an der Universität Hamburg ein. So soll in unterschiedlichen Formaten und mit diversen Stimmen die vielfältige, oft widersprüchliche institutionell wie persönlich Entwicklungsgeschichte nachvollzogen werden. Für diese Verortung werden Gedanken zur Fachgeschichte, wiedergelesene Hamburger Werke und Archivfundstücke mit Beiträgen und Kommentaren zu Forschungsschwerpunkten verzahnt. Dabei geht es uns auch darum, die Bezüge der Politikwissenschaft zu ihrem weiteren akademischen und intellektuellen Kontext darzustellen.

### Political Violence (a) A Glance

http://politicalviolenceataglance.org/about/

Blog: Want to know why violence broke out in Syria but not Bahrain? Why the world has responded the way it has? Whether the United States should intervene or stay out? Political Violence @ a Glance answers questions on the most pressing problems related to violence and protest in the world's conflict zones.

Analysis comes from a distinguished team of experts from universities including American University, BYU, Columbia, Denver, Georgetown, Maryland, Michigan, Princeton, Tufts, UCLA, UCSD, Wisconsin, and Yale. The goal is to anticipate the questions you have about violence happening around the world and to offer you simple, straight-forward analysis before anyone else does. No jargon. No lingo. Just insightful content.

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# Der Politikpodcast - Deutschlandfunk

https://www.deutschlandfunk.de/deutschlandfunk-derpolitikpodcast.3290.de.html

**Podcast**: Was diskutieren Korrespondenten untereinander über Politik? Wie arbeiten sie eigentlich? Der Politikpodcast aus dem Hauptstadtstudio des Deutschlandfunks schildert Eindrücke, Einschätzungen und Erlebnisse der Korrespondenten.

## Power 3.0: Understanding Modern Authoritarian Influence

https://www.power3point0.org/

**Blog**: Power 3.0 explores how savvy authoritarian governments survive and thrive in a globalized information age, and the ways that democracies are contending with this challenge.

Modern authoritarianism now takes advantage of the features once chiefly thought to empower democracies – the interconnected economic and financial system, ubiquitous communication networks, international norms and institutions, and global media and culture. In doing so, the authoritarians have in some ways leapfrogged the capabilities of democracies, whose very openness can be more easily exploited. While democracies have assumed the openness and interconnectedness of the liberal international order have strengthened their hand, authoritarian regimes have used those features to advance farther and faster than anticipated.

Power 3.0 seeks to unpack this phenomenon, exploring the strategies authoritarian regimes use to exert broad influence outside the hard security arena, and analyzing how democracies are responding.

Key areas of authoritarian influence explored by this blog include:

- Culture and Education
- Media/Information/Technology
- Norms/Ideas/Institutions
- Overseas Assistance/Trade/Investment
- Transnational Kleptocracy

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### PRIF BLOG

https://blog.prif.org/

Blog (Articles in German and English): Auf dem PRIF Blog veröffentlichen Wissenschaftlerinnen und Wissenschaftler des Peace Research Institute Frankfurt (PRIF) / Leibniz-Instituts Hessische Stiftung Friedens- und Konfliktforschung (HSFK) Texte zu aktuellen Fragen und Debatten, die für die Friedens- und Konfliktforschung relevant sind. Die Beiträge geben nicht die Institutsmeinung, sondern lediglich die Meinung der jeweiligen Autorinnen und Autoren wieder.

Das Peace Research Institute Frankfurt hat es sich zur Aufgabe gemacht, die Ursachen gewaltsamer internationaler und innerer Konflikte zu analysieren und zu erforschen, unter welchen Bedingungen Frieden entstehen kann. Wie können Konflikte verhindert werden, welche Rolle spielen die jeweiligen (Gewalt-)Akteure und wie können Friedensordnungen errichtet werden? Konkrete Projekte befassen sich unter anderem mit militärischen Interventionen, Rüstungskontrolle und Nichtverbreitung, Fragen des Völkerrechts, Radikalisierung oder sozialen Bewegungen und Protesten.

Politikberatung und Wissenstransfer sind dabei ein zentrales Anliegen: Das Institut stellt seine Expertise beispielsweise für Informations- und Diskussionsveranstaltungen zur Verfügung, ist Mitherausgeber des Friedensgutachtens, berät Entscheidungsträgerinnen und Entscheidungsträger aus Politik, Verwaltungen und Zivilgesellschaft und ist in der Ausbildung von Diplomatinnen und Diplomaten aktiv.

# The Quantitative Peace: Explorations of Empirical and Formal Research in Political Science

http://quantitativepeace.com/

Blog: Welcome to The Quantitative Peace, a blog dedicated to empirical international relations and comparative politics with a specific focus on quantitative and formal studies. The goal is to discuss, elaborate, critique, and announce current and emerging research in the subfields that is relevant

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to the study of international relations and comparative politics. Additionally, upcoming events and announcements are posted while popular press articles and news stories are highlighted as they relate to our field. The blog was started April 23, 2008.

## The RAND Blog

https://www.rand.org/blog.html

**Blog**: The RAND Corporation is a research organization that develops solutions to public policy challenges to help make communities throughout the world safer and more secure, healthier and more prosperous. RAND is nonprofit, nonpartisan, and committed to the public interest.

# **Reinventing Peace**

https://sites.tufts.edu/reinventingpeace/about/

**Blog**: Reinventing Peace is the World Peace Foundation's blog. In 2011, the World Peace Foundation established a program at the Fletcher School at Tufts University, under Executive Director Alex de Waal. In line with the educational and practical vision of its founder, today the Foundation aims to provide intellectual leadership on issues of peace, justice and security. We believe that innovative research and teaching are critical to the challenges of making peace around the world, and should go hand in hand with advocacy and practical engagement with the toughest issues. As the Foundation enters its second century, our underlying theme is reinventing peace for the globalizing world.

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# Research Cluster Blog on Human Security

http://researchcluster-humansecurity.info/about-the-research-clusterblog-on-human-security/

**Blog**: This is the companion blog of the research cluster on human security which is published at irregular intervals and supervised by a group of likeminded scholars. Like other publications of the research cluster, the blog takes an interdisciplinary look at issues related to human security.

However, while the research cluster on human security is dedicated to publishing research and teaching resources along with high-quality academic research the blog provides a flexible and responsive, interactive platform for the dissemination of information, analysis and insight into broader topics related to human security. We intend to become a key hub, agora and repository for everyone interested in human security. We will publish original academically informed, yet accessible commentary and analysis of contemporary and historical issues relating to human security and resource governance; high quality journalism and essays including long-reads; reviews and engagements with issue-relevant literature, visual art, architecture, urbanism, film, music and drama; photo and video essays, poetry and a variety of multi-media.

### **Reset The Table**

https://www.csis.org/podcasts/reset-table

**Podcast:** Today's food insecurity requires new solutions. Have policymakers kept up, or are they relying on yesterday's answers? On the Reset the Table podcast, CSIS Global Food Security Program director Caitlin Welsh makes room at the table for fresh ideas for solving food insecurity around the world and right here at home.

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# **Security Dialogue Blog**

https://blogs.prio.org/SecurityDialogue/ https://blogs.prio.org/SecurityDialogue/2017/02/welcome-to-the-security-

dialogue-blog/

**Blog**: Security Dialogue aims to combine cutting-edge advances in theory with new empirical findings across a range of fields relevant to the study of security.

## Sinoskop

https://www.sinoskop.de/blog/ueber-sinoskop/

Blog: Warum Sinoskop? Ein kurzer Blick zurück. Die erste industrielle Revolution begann gegen Mitte des 18. Jahrhunderts, die wirtschaftlichen jener Zeit: und China. Die Großgewichte Indien modernen Industriegesellschaften entstanden jedoch nicht in Peking oder Delhi, sondern in London, Paris, Essen. Der damit verbundene technische Fortschritt ermöglichte Westeuropa und den USA den Aufstieg an die Weltspitze, von wo aus sich die Geschicke der Welt gemäß der eigenen Interessen gestalten ließen. Spätestens zu Beginn des 21. Jhdts. verschiebt sich die Tektonik der Macht spürbar...

"Amerika zuerst" "China Traum" "Altes Europa" Die Erde dreht sich heute zwar nicht schneller, dafür verändern sich unsere Lebenswelten umso mehr auf rasante Art und radikale Weise. Wir leben mitten in einer neuen, "vierten" industriellen Revolution und einer "Heißzeit." Die Volksrepublik China nimmt in beiden Bereichen eine Vorreiterrolle ein, mal als Partner, mal als Konkurrent.

Wird das 21. Jahrhundert ein chinesisches? Und wenn dem so sein sollte, wie und was bedeutet das für uns und die Welt wie wir sie kennen? Vieles davon liegt noch verschwommen in einer ungewissen Zukunft vor uns. Manches wiederum lässt sich bereits klar erkennen oder wird durch den Blick in die Vergangenheit offenbar.

Darum Sinoskop! Sinoskop widmet sich einer Vielzahl von Themen, die sich mit dem (Wieder-)Aufstieg des Reichs der Mitte und damit verbundenen

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Entwicklungen, Chancen wie Herausforderungen, beschäftigen. Dieser Blog möchte zu einem besseren China-Verständnis beitragen. Besucher finden hier einen ausgewählten Überblick zu Themen aus Politik, Wirtschaft, Umwelt und Kultur. Hintergrundinformationen, Analysen, Kommentare, Medienfilter der deutsch-, englischund chinesischsprachigen Berichterstattung. Verständlich, kritisch, ausgewogen, ohne Anspruch auf Vollständigkeit.

Wer macht Sinoskop? Matthias Meyer - Hallo! Ich bin unabhängiger Chinaund Politikwissenschaftler. Mit China beschäftige ich mich seit über einem Jahrzehnt, mit einem lachendem und einem weinendem Auge. Studium an der School of Oriental and African Studies in London (BA, MA) und in Peking an der Beijing Normal University. 2006 bertrat ich in Hongkong erstmals asiatischen Boden und habe seither über zwei Jahre in der Volksrepublik gelebt. Während zahlreicher Reisen in und um das Reich der Mitte durfte ich Land und Leute in und über "Greater China" hinaus hautnah erfahren und erleben. Weitere Langzeitaufenthalte und Lebenszeit in West- und Osteuropa sowie in Asien, bevorzugt ohne dabei in ein Flugzeug oder einem Pkw zu steigen. Als weltreisender Zeitzeuge und wandernder Sprachmittler bin ich etwa so jung wie Chinas Reform- und Öffnungspolitik.

### Smart Women, Smart Power Podcast

https://www.csis.org/podcasts/smart-women-smart-power-podcast

Podcast: The Smart Women, Smart Power biweekly podcast features powerful, in-depth conversations with women leaders from around the globe who are experts in foreign policy, national security, international business, and international development. It ranks among the top non-profit and government podcasts and was named one of Apple iTunes "Best of 2015." SWSP Director Beverly Kirk moderates the podcast series. Smart Women, Smart Power is produced by Remi Schott.

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# Stimmenfang

https://www.spiegel.de/thema/podcast\_stimmenfang/

**Podcast**: Die großen politischen Themen unserer Zeit, geschildert und analysiert aus verschiedenen Perspektiven: Das hören Sie jeden Donnerstag im »Stimmenfang«-Podcast, komplettiert durch die Beiträge unserer Hörerinnen und Hörer.

## The Strategist

https://www.aspistrategist.org.au/about-the-strategist/

**Blog**: The Strategist is the commentary and analysis site of the Australian Strategic Policy Institute, an independent, non-partisan think tank based in Canberra. ASPI is one of the most authoritative and widely quoted contributors to public discussion of strategic policy issues in Australia and a recognised and authoritative Australian voice in international discussion of strategic issues, especially in the Asia–Pacific.

The Strategist aims to provide fresh ideas on Australia's critical defence and strategic policy choices as well as encourage and facilitate discussion and debate among the strategy community and Australian public.

The views expressed on The Strategist are those of the individual authors and don't represent the views of ASPI or the institutions to which the authors are attached

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### **SWP Podcast**

https://www.swp-berlin.org/swp-podcast/

https://soundcloud.com/swpberlin

diskutieren Podcast: Im SWP-Podcast Wissenschaftlerinnen Wissenschaftler der Stiftung Wissenschaft und Poltik, vereinzelt auch mit externen Gästen, Themen der internationalen Politik, die politische Entscheiderinnen und Entscheider zurzeit beschäftigen – oder beschäftigen sollten. Im Rahmen einer Pilotphase experimentieren unterschiedlichen Formaten. In dieser Zeit erscheinen neue Folgen in unregelmäßigen Abständen.

## TAWAZUN Blog

http://tawazun.net/english/blogabout.php

Blog: The Tawazun blog publishes analysis, insights, and reactions on civilmilitary relations and defense affairs in Arab states. Its mission is to engender dialogue and understanding between civilian defense professionals and military officers in Arab countries, aiming to increase transparency, efficiency, and effectiveness in their defense sectors.

### The Truth of the Matter

https://www.csis.org/podcasts/truth-matter

**Podcast:** Many of us have questions about global issues and not a lot of places to turn to for reliable and thoughtful answers. In The Truth of the Matter, host Andrew Schwartz breaks down complex policy issues of the day. No Spin, No Bombast, No finger pointing. Just informed discussion. The Truth of the Matter is produced by Liz Pulver.

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# **Theory of Change**

https://www.csis.org/podcasts/theories-change

**Podcast:** Climate change represents an unprecedented global challenge. This new podcast hosted by Sarah Ladislaw of the CSIS Energy Security and Climate Change Program features conversations with global experts to discuss their Theories of Change, and what they think are the most necessary near-term steps and longer-term strategies to ensure a manageable climate for future generations. Theories of Change is produced by Remi Schott.

# **Transforming Society**

# A Space where Research, Evidence and Critique can create positive Social Change

http://www.transformingsociety.co.uk/about/

**Blog**: Our mission has always been 'publishing with a purpose'. The aim of Transforming Society is to have an impact, from bringing research to a place where it can affect national, local or global policies, to changing the way one person views the world.

It features the stories at the heart of the research, from authors, editors and other contributors around subjects in and related to the social sciences. Articles, interviews, briefings for policy makers, case studies and podcasts celebrate new research and researchers at any stage in their career, from anywhere in the world.

This is a space to share bold thinking and help shape our understanding of the challenges we face. Who knows if we will make it out of the echo chamber, but we will try.

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Blogs & Podcasts

# **Uncomplicated (UN News)**

https://news.un.org/en/audio-product/podcast-uncomplicated

**Podcast**: Welcome to the first edition of UNcomplicated, a new podcast from UN News, that grew out of a coffee shop conversation between UN staffer Sinduja Srinivasan and her friend Jason DeWall, who had never set foot inside UN Headquarters.

"The UN can seem intimidating and complicated", our dynamic hosts told us. "We aim to make the United Nations accessible and straightforward".

So, with the world leaders' General Debate looming, which kicks off the latest UN General Assembly in a few days' time, Sinduja and Jason set off with a microphone, to bring us this inaugural episode.

UNcomplicated is available on other leading podcast distribution platforms, including Castbox, Stitcher and Soundcloud.

# **UN-Scripted - PassBlue**

https://www.passblue.com/podcasts-about-the-united-nations/

Podcast: A podcast taking you inside the United Nations and beyond the carefully written policy speeches to where the real work is being done: the unscripted debates on the most pressing issues of our time. Hosted by PassBlue reporters Kacie Candela and Stephanie Fillion. Available on iTunes, Spotify, and wherever you get your podcasts.

PassBlue is an independent, women-led digital publication offering in-depth journalism on the US-UN relationship and its effects on women's issues, human rights, peacekeeping and other urgent global matters, as reported from our base in the UN press corps. Founded in 2011, PassBlue is a project of the New School, and not tied financially or otherwise to the UN.

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# **Up Front: Brookings**

https://www.brookings.edu/blog/up-front/

**Blog**: The latest analysis by Brookings experts of current events and breaking news. The Brookings Institution is a nonprofit public policy organization based in Washington, DC. Our mission is to conduct in-depth research that leads to new ideas for solving problems facing society at the local, national and global level.

## **USAPP- American Politics and Policy (LSE US Centre)**

https://blogs.lse.ac.uk/usappblog/

**Blog**: USAPP's central mission is to increase the public understanding of social science in the context of American politics and policymaking. Our focus is broad-based and multidisciplinary, covering all aspects of governance, economics, politics, culture and society in the United States, and in its continental neighbors, Canada and Mexico.

We post at least one article every weekday and academic book reviews on Sundays.

USAPP is run by the London School of Economics' (LSE) United States Centre, a hub for global expertise, analysis and commentary on America. Its mission is to promote policy-relevant and internationally-oriented scholarship to meet the growing demand for fresh analysis and critical debate on the United States.

### War & Peace Podcast Series

https://www.crisisgroup.org/europe-central-asia/war-peace

**Podcast**: War and Peace is a new podcast series from the International Crisis Group. Olga Oliker and Hugh Pope interview experts about all things Europe and its neighbourhood, from Russia to Turkey and beyond. Their guests shed new light on everything that helps or hinders prospects for peace.

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## Warpod

https://www.saferworld.org.uk/multimedia/warpod-podcast-launch https://www.saferworld.org.uk/resources/news-and-analysis/post/948warpod-podcast-launch-at-saferworld

Podcast: The official podcast of The Security Policy Change Programme, based at Saferworld. Every month, Abigail Watson and Delina Goxho speak to a diverse group of practitioners, experts, and commentators from around the world to discuss the risks of contemporary conflict. Join us to talk about the long-term implications of securitised interventions and policies, both for democratic controls over the use of force in Europe, the US and elsewhere and for the communities most impacted in places like the Middle East, the Sahel, the Horn of Africa, South America and South-East Asia.

# World Bank Blogs

https://blogs.worldbank.org/blogs

**Blog**: A hub for blogs organized by the World Bank.

# WritePeace blog - sipri

https://www.sipri.org/commentary/blog

**Blog**: SIPRI is an independent international institute dedicated to research into conflict, armaments, arms control and disarmament. Established in 1966, SIPRI provides data, analysis and recommendations, based on open sources.

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### Supplementary Note on Version 2021 1.0:

The goal of this compilation of blogs & podcasts is to provide a useful selection of entry points to get informed on global politics and policies. The compilation is "work in progress" and will be regularly updated. The information presented cites or is based on the online self-portrayals of the respective blogs and podcasts.

Please, note that contributions on blogs & podcasts are very often pieces of opinions and rather not simple presentations of academic research findings. Therefore, you should always critically reflect upon these kind of contributions to the public discourse.

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