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Collaborative Research Center – SFB 700
“Governance in Areas of Limited Statehood”

Kolleg-Forschergruppe (KFG)
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About the Collaborative Research Center – SFB 700

The SFB 700 “Governance in Areas of Limited Statehood: New Modes of Governance?” was a Collaborative Research Center funded by the German Research Foundation – Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG) – over a time span of twelve years. Five institutions supported the research center: the Freie Universität Berlin, the University of Potsdam, the German Institute for International and Security Affairs (SWP), the Berlin Social Science Center (WZB), as well as the German Institute of Global and Area Studies (GIGA). Furthermore, the SFB 700 launched a project in cooperation with the German Federal Foreign Office (AA) aiming at a mutual exchange of knowledge in the context of foreign affairs.

Some 60 scholars were involved, most of them political scientists, historians, and legal scholars. By working together, they were expanding the borders of their respective institutions to discuss global questions regarding governance in areas in which state authority is limited or completely lacking. 17 individual research projects covered a broad variety of topics around the globe. Examples include research on exchange relationships and collective use of resources in culturally heterogeneous areas in Latin America, (local) security practices in Africa, peacebuilding after the violent conflict in Afghanistan and historical perspectives on governance in China from 1949 until 1957.

The SFB 700 officially closed on 31 December 2017. However, the researchers that have been involved in the research center and our international network will continue to study governance in areas of limited statehood. Other research projects such as the EU’s Horizon 2020 project “Europe’s External Action and the Dual Challenges of Limited Statehood and Contested Orders” will keep working on the subject. We look forward to continue researching this fascinating topic with you!

About the Kolleg-Forschergruppe “The Transformative Power of Europe”

The Kolleg-Forschergruppe (KFG) is a funding program launched by the German Research Foundation (Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft – DFG) in 2008. As a Research College, it is intended to provide a scientifically stimulating environment for innovative research within a small group of senior and junior researchers.

The KFG “The Transformative Power of Europe”, directed by Tanja A. Boerzel and Thomas Risse, investigates how ideas spread across time and space. During its first phase of research, from 2008-2012, the KFG studied the diffusion of policy ideas and institutions within the European Union (EU), its candidates and neighborhood. During the second phase, from 2012-2016, the KFG has realigned its focus of interest on the diffusion of ideas, policies, and institutions beyond Europe (comparative regionalism) and the analysis of the EU at the receiving end of external influences.

The KFG has engaged in a wide array of activities to develop its research agenda and foster knowledge exchange among scholars and practitioners. The activities of the KFG have resulted in numerous publications, including monographs and edited volumes by its directors and visiting researchers, as well as its Working Paper Series.

The KFG is closing with a last international conference, taking place in Berlin in mid-2018. Nevertheless, the large scientific community that emerged out of the Research College, will stay around and the discussion on its research topics will continue.



WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4

10:30 am
Mission 1,
Parc 55

Panel: The Hidden Political Economy of Measurement and Classification
'Monitoring Democracy in the Eastern Neighborhood: When Are the EU's Assessments Biased and Why?'
Lusine Badalyan
KFG/University Giessen

10:30 am
Powell 1,
Parc 55

Panel: Interrogating the Discipline and Teaching of IR
'Beyond Borders: Perceptions of Dominance in International Relations'
Wiebke Wemheuer-Vogelaar
KFG

10:30 am
Union Square 1,
Hilton

Panel: International Organization and the Role of International Public Administration in African Regional Organization and Security Governance
Jeffrey T. Checkel (Discussant)
KFG/Simon Fraser University

1:45 pm
Union Square 19,
Hilton

Roundtable: Author Meets Critics: Rachel Epstein's Banking on Markets: The Transformation of Bank-State Ties in Europe and Beyond
Rachel Epstein
KFG/University of Denver

7:30 pm
Continental 4,
Hilton

Joint Reception: Freie Universität Berlin (SFB 700 "Governance in Areas of Limited Statehood" & KFG "The Transformative Power of Europe") and GIGA German Institute of Global and Area Studies

THURSDAY, APRIL 5

10:30 am
Nob Hill 5,
Hilton

Panel: Negotiating International Democracy Promotion
Andrea Ribeiro Hoffmann (Discussant)
KFG/Catholic University of Rio de Janeiro

1:45 pm
Hearst,
Parc 55

Panel: Theoretical and Empirical Perspectives on Governance in Areas of Limited Statehood
Anke Draude (Chair)
SFB 700

'Business as Governors in Areas of Limited Statehood'
Tanja A. Börzel (with Nicole Deitelhoff)
KFG/SFB 700

'Measuring Governance and Limited Statehood'
Eric Stollenwerk
SFB 700

'Policy Implications for Governance in Areas of Limited Statehood'
Gregor Walter-Drop
SFB 700

1:45 pm
Union Square 18,
Hilton

Panel: Framing Violence in International Statebuilding
'The Violence That Matters and How to Assess This: Reflections on Social Science Research in North Afghanistan'
Jan Koehler
SFB 700

4:00 pm
Continental 1,
Hilton

Roundtable: Human Rights Futures
Thomas Risse
KFG/SFB 700

4:00 pm
Union Square 1,
Hilton

Panel: The Regional-Global-Order Nexus in International Relations
'Legitimizing Global-Regional Security Cooperation: Primary Institutions, Discursive Frictions, and EULEX Kosovo'
Kilian Spandler
KFG/University of Gothenburg

4:45 pm
Golden Gate 7,
Hilton

Panel: The Impact of States and Organizations in a Regional Context
'Regional Governance in Eurasia: How Russia Rebuilds the Eurasian Region'
Ann-Sophie Gast
KFG

FRIDAY, APRIL 6

1:45 pm
Imperial A,
Hilton

Sapphire Series: Formal and Informal Rules in International Politics
Thomas Risse (Participant)
KFG/SFB 700

1:45 pm
Continental 3,
Hilton

Panel: The Dynamics of Power Underlying Regional Cooperation and Integration
'Drivers of Overlapping Regionalism: How the Power over Rules and the Rule of Power Shape Regional Organizations'
Sören Stapel
KFG/SFB 700/University of Gothenburg

1:45 pm
Union Square 19,
Hilton

Panel: International Organizations in the Digital Age
'Studying International Organizations Online: Drivers of Data Availability in the Digital Age'
Maria Debre, Sebastian Knecht
KFG

4:00 pm
Cyril Magnin 1,
Parc 55

International Cooperation, Norms, and Domestic Politics
Thomas Risse (Chair)
KFG/SFB 700

4:00 pm
Union Square 9,
Hilton

Norms Diffusion and Change in a Regional Context
'Origin and Diffusion of Good Governance Norms in Multi-Level Systems: Evidence from EU Development Cooperation Policy'
Lisa van Hoof-Maurer
KFG

SATURDAY, APRIL 7

8:15 am
Embarcadero,
Parc 55

Panel: Conflict and Development Aid in Africa
'Electric Regionalism: African States, Development Banks, and Mining Companies'
Kathleen Hancock
KFG/Colorado School of Mines

8:15 am
Franciscan A,
Hilton

Toothless Tigers? Regional Organizations and the Protection of Democracy
Thomas Risse (Discussant)
KFG/SFB 700