Second authors’ workshop

STUDYING INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS SCHOLARSHIP BEYOND THE WEST: BETWEEN DIVIDES AND DIVERSITY – BOOK PROJECT

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Tuesday – May 2, 2014
09.00-10.30 Coffee and Orientation
10.30-11.30 Group Workshop I (intra-group session)
11.30-12.30 Lunch at Seminaris Hotel
14.00-15.00 Group Workshop II (inter-group session)
15.00-16.00 Wrap-up and ‘Next Steps’ in Plenum

The Kolleg-Forschergruppe (KFG) “The Transformative Power of Europe”, directed by Prof. Dr. Tanja A. Börzel and Prof. Dr. Thomas Risse, examines the role of the EU as promoter and recipient of ideas, analyzing the mechanisms and effects of international and external diffusion processes in two research areas: (1) the EU and Regional Institutions in Latin America, Africa, the Middle East and Asia, and (2) Europe and the EU as Recipients of Diffusion. 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. A centerpiece of the KFG is the invitation of national and international guest scholars working on the diffusion of ideas as well as the promotion of junior researchers through (post) doc fellowships.
Friday – May 2, 2014

09.30-09.55 Registration and Coffee

10.00-10.45 Introduction to the Book’s Background and Structure
Wiebke Wemheuer-Vogelaar and Ingo Peters, eds.

10.45-12.15 PANEL I: DIVIDES OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS (THEORIES) IN THE LIGHT OF GEO-EPISTEMOLOGICAL DIVERSITY

Us and the ‘Other’ in IR – Lessons from Anthropology
Alina Kleinn (ENS Paris and Freie Universität Berlin)

Inward and Outward Messages: The Case of Local IR Theory-Building in and from Russia
Ivan Lydkin (Freie Universität Berlin and MGIMO, Moscow)

Intellectual Gatekeepers – The Meta-Theoretical Challenges of Incorporating Africa in International Relations Theory
Keshia Fredua-Mensah (Freie Universität Berlin), will not attend

Constraining Structures: The Absence of Local IRT in Southeast Asia
Anchalee Rüland (Nuffield College, Oxford University), will not attend

Discussant: Christian Bueger (Cardiff University)

12.15-13.15 Lunch
at Seminaris Hotel

13.30-15.00 PANEL II: CHARACTERISTICS OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS (THEORIES) IN DIFFERENT LOCATIONS BEYOND THE WEST

Developments in Chinese International Relations Theory: Analysis of Four Possible Approaches
Chen Yi-Jin (National Taiwan University, Taipei)

Chinese Scholars’ Publishing Practices and Language – The case of the ‘Peaceful Rise’ - Debate
Sabine Mokry (Freie Universität Berlin)

Contesting the Secularization Paradigm: A Study of Religion-State Connections in Iranian IR
Luisa Linke (Freie Universität Berlin)

In Search for Australian IR Theory: Between the West and Post-Colonialism
Julita Dudziak (Jagiellonian University, Cracow)

Discussants: Micheal J. Tierney (College of William and Mary) and Daniel Maliniak (University of California, San Diego)

Coffee break

15.15-16.30 PANEL III: THEORETICAL DIVERSITY INSTEAD OF ‘CONCEPTS THAT DO NOT FIT’

Women’s Rights in ‘Muslim’ Thought: Pushing the Boundaries of Human Rights Advocacy and IR Scholarship
Sandra Bäthge (Freie Universität Berlin)

Non-Western Theorizing on Colonial Rule and African Insecurity
Laura Appeltshauser (University College London)

Diversity as a Challenge? De-Colonial Perspectives on Democratization in Latin America
Laura Kemmer (Freie Universität Berlin)

Discussants: Bilgin Ayata (Freie Universität Berlin)

16.45-17.15 CONCLUSION
Ingo Peters and Wiebke Wemheuer-Vogelaar

18.00 Workshop Dinner
at Seminaris Hotel for authors and discussants

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