

CALL FOR PAPERS

Twelfth Annual Conference on Economics and Security

11th-13th June 2008

Hosted by: METU TEKPOL Science and Technology Policies Research Center, Ankara, TURKEY

Venue: Cultural and Convention Center, METU, Ankara

Over the last few decades, economic analysis of security issues has been crucial for the public policy makers, with billions of dollars being spent on security related products and services each year and crucial peace making and keeping actions also playing an important role in European policy making. With the integration and the enlargement of the European Union, questions regarding the common understanding of economics of security have to be critically reconsidered, both theoretically and empirically.

Offers of papers regarding these issues are invited for this conference sponsored by Economists for Peace and Security, Middle East Technical University, Turkish Scientific and Research Council (TÜBİTAK), and the University of the West of England.

The principal aim of this conference is to seek answers to the research questions: What roles do economists play in achieving peace and security and how can they contribute to developing an effective security policy? What are the impacts of security policies on different approaches to innovation, technology, and ethical aspects of government policy? How can these important issues be handled in a common Europe?

It will take a comparative and interdisciplinary approach, bringing together academics from security, science and technology studies as well as policy makers at European and national levels.

Proposed topics include:

- European Security
- Economics of the RMA
- Globalisation and the restructuring of the MIC
- Militarism and Development
- Economics of conflict and post-conflict reconstruction
- Economics of the arms trade
- Procurement and offsets
- Arms races, offsets and alliances
- Peace science
- Conversion and Demilitarisation
- Terrorism

Offers of papers on other related topics are also welcomed.

The conference will have a public lecture and plenary sessions with keynote speakers plus specialist workshop streams. If you are interested in presenting a paper or organizing a panel/workshop in the 2008 Conference, please send a title and abstract with a brief CV as soon as possible to:

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PAPER TITLE
ABSTRACT (at most 300 words)

Important Deadlines and Dates

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| March 17, 2008 | Deadline for receipt of abstracts |
| April 14, 2008 | Decisions on acceptance/rejection of abstracts by Conveners |
| May 16, 2008 | Deadline for Registrations (otherwise paper will be withdrawn from the conference programme) |
| May 16, 2008 | Final date for submission of full papers |
| June 11-13, 2008 | Twelfth Annual Conference on Economics and Security in Ankara |

For Registration and further information:

Please find the registration form and more details on the conference homepage:

www.stps.metu.edu.tr/conference08