IPS researchers and research agendas stand in a complex relation to relevance. On the one hand they are pressured to cater for institutions and funders, sometimes directly serving them. On the other hand, if they go too far in doing so they risk reducing themselves to irrelevance. Professor Heath Kelly has faced this dilemma and explored its implications in the context of the counter-terrorism and de-radicalization policies. Liberal democracies are reluctant to endorse repressive countermeasures. In place of militarised counter-insurgency, liberal states they rely on preemptive counter-radicalisation interventions (CVE programs). These programs rely on a wide range of private actors as well as on the public sector including the branches concerned with defense, police and migration, but it also enrolls for example the public health-care, social services and education. But do these measures contravene democratic principles? Do they weaken the legal protections for free speech, free practice of religion and individual privacy? And if so what role do/should academics play? Public consternation about counter-radicalisation programs continues to grow. Civil society organisations have expressed deep-rooted concerns about the ‘science’ behind European CVE programs.

In this workshop Professor Heath-Kelly will take stock of the implications of the emergence of CVE programs for IPS researchers and research agendas, discuss how they have been dealt with and where she sees scope for further developments. She will do so engaging the participants about how to approach research design and methods in manner sensitive to these pressures.

Session 2: Friday, February 5, 8.30–10.00

Workshop M2.1: Infrastructures

Chair: Yannick Perticone
Discussant: Myriam Dunn Cavelty

Janine E. Bressmer (The Graduate Institute, Geneva)
Entangled in/security: De-fracturing the im/material in humanitarian security management
Dagmar Rychnovska (University of Sussex)  
**Infrastructuring (bio)security**

Rocco Bellanova (University of Amsterdam) and Georgios Glouftsios (University of Trento)  
**Controlling the Schengen Information System (SIS II): The Infrastructural Politics of Fragility and Maintenance**

Matthias Leese (ETH Zurich)  
**Fingerprints to know them all: The co-constitution of biometrics, law enforcement, and border control in the EU**

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**Workshop M2.2: Governance**

*Chair: Jean Christophe Graz  
Discussant: Stefano Guzzini*

Mathias Albert and Mitja Sienknecht (Bielefeld University)  
**Climate change and pandemics: the timescales of social evolution in world society**

Nina Klimburg-Witjes (University of Vienna), Matthias Leese (ETH Zurich) and Paul Trauttmansdorff (University of Vienna)  
**Non-Performances of Security: Field Dynamics and the Research-ability of Security Infrastructures**

Annabelle Littoz-Monnet (The Graduate Institute)  
**Private Expertise in public Health**

Lucile Maertens (Université de Lausanne) and Stefan Aykut (Universität Hamburg)  
**Climatizing the World? The Climate Crisis and the Transformation of Global Governance**

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**Workshop M2.3: Research**

*Chair: Charlotte Heath Kelly  
Discussant: Emma Hutchison*

Timo Walter (University of Lausanne)  
**Foregrounding ‘politics’, losing track of ‘sociology’? How IPS journeys towards a new blend of empiricism and normativity**

Klaus Dingwerth (University of St.Gallen)  
**Feasible Climate Justice: Why Political Philosophy Need Sociology**

Jonathan Austin and Anna Leander (The Graduate Institute, Geneva)  
**Designing-With/In World Politics**
Raphaël Leduc (IHEID)
Understanding Changes in Warfare through War Monuments

Session 3: Friday, February 5, 10.15–11.45

Workshop M3.1: Images

Chair: Lucile Maertens
Discussant: Debbie Lisle

Muriel Bruttin (University of Lausanne)
Building queer worlds on social media

Ronald Bleiker, Emma Hutchison, David Campbell, Matthew Hornsey and Fiona Barlow (University of Queensland)
How Images Shape Attitudes Towards Victims of Humanitarian Crises

Asees Puri and Eliza Urwin (IHEID)
Rebel Inc.: Tracing the Aestheticization of State-Building

Gabi Schlag (University of Tübingen)
Looking at the North Atlantic Alliance – an aesthetic perspective on power and legitimacy

Laura Sjoberg and Yoav Galai (Royal Holloway University of London)
Sidewalk Resilience and Window Communities: Everyday Coronavirus Art and Distant-Community?

Workshop M3.2: Polities

Chair: Stefano Guzzini
Discussant: Jonas Hagmann

Bart Sebastiaan Gabriel (IHEID)
Pockets of Radicalism – Toward a networked understanding of the sociology of Lone Wolf perpetrators.

Vassily Klimentov (IHEID)
The End of Democracy: Securitization and the Russia’s Authoritarian Drift

Jérôme Duberry (University of Geneva)
Artificial intelligence and citizen participation: a systematic literature review of the pitfalls of AI advances in liberal democracies

Yannick Perticone (University of Lausanne)
Digital platforms in the global political economy
**Workshop M3.3: Technologies**

*Chair: Dagmar Rychnovska  
Discussant: Matthias Leese*

Dennis Pauschinger and Silvana Pedrozo (Université de Neuchâtel)  
**Police Dreams: Imaginaries of Drones as Security Technologies**

Pedro dos Santos Maia (The Graduate Institute)  
**Global Politics at the Interface**

Luisa Cruz Lobato (IHEID / Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro)  
**Entangling apps and in/security governance in the Global South**

Rune Saugmann (University of Tampere)  
**Machine vision, security knowledge, and the parameters of assembled subjectivity**

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**Session 4: Friday, February 5, 13.30–15.00**

**Workshop M4.1: Connections**

*Chair: Rune Saugmann  
Discussant: Jérôme Duberry*

Jonas Hagmann (University of Geneva)  
**Urban Security Assemblages**

Oleksandra Tarkhanova (University of St.Gallen)  
**Politics of (im)mobility: The effects of the pandemic on the movement across the ‘contact’ line in Eastern Ukraine**

Eva Johais (Ruhr University Bochum)  
**Surviving Corona: The Survivor as Bearer of Hope and Fear in the Making of the Corona Crisis**

Florian J. Egloff and Myriam Dunn Cavelty (ETH Zurich)  
**Attribution, Knowledge Creation Assemblages, and Truth Making in Cybersecurity Politics**

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**Workshop M4.2: Race**

*Chair: Luisa Cruz Lobato  
Discussant: Siba Grovogui*

Rahel Kunz (Université de Lausanne)  
**De/colonising through translation? Rethinking the politics of translation in the Women, Peace and Security agenda**
Pedro Paulo dos Santos da Silva (Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro)  
**Racism through technicism: dissecting the racial logics of preventive policing**

Alice Baroni (The Graduate Institute, Geneva)  
**‘Too Few to Mention’? Jewish-Israeli Activists for Palestinian Rights: Failures and Potentials of a Solidarity ‘from Within’ the Israeli System**

Leah R. Kimber (University of Geneva)  
**Diversity in Debate at the United Nations: An Analysis through the Concept of Intersectionality**

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**Session 5: Friday, February 5, 15.15–16.45**

**Workshop M5.1: Practicing Racially Sensitive IPS**

*Directed by Professor Siba Grovogui, Cornell University, Africana Studies,*  
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In recent years, awareness of the racial dimensions of IR theory and research practice has exploded. Professor Grovogui has been a pioneer in this area. In 2021 it will be ten years since Grovogui published his groundbreaking article *To the orphaned, dispossessed, and illegitimate children* outlining not only the racial and colonial origins of human rights but also the role of the Haitian revolutionaries in proposing alternatives. It will be five years since he published his volume *Beyond Eurocentrism and Anarchy* in which his argument is further elaborated and generalized and in which he looks at the role of the African “evolués” in redefining the International Relations and reinterpreting it.

In this workshop, Professor Grovogui will take stock of the development of racial sensibilities in IR, where he thinks in-roads have been made as well as where he sees scope for developing this further. He will engage the participants about racially sensitive research practices.