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Thursday, January 11

Bilkent Main Campus, FEASS Building (A)

8:30-9:00

Registration (at Entrance Hall)

9:00-10:15

Session 1 (A130): Modeling Conflict and War
Chair: Ömer Zarplı

Session 1 (H232): State Structure and Regime Type
Chair: Özgür Özdamar

9:00

T. Ryan Johnson & Afıq bin Oslan
Spies in a Barrel: When to Reel in Espionage

Ali Baydarol
Crisis-Stimulated Change: The Acceleration of Gradual Privatization During Times of Dual Crisis

9:25

Melike Ayşe Kocacık Şenol
Communicating Intervention Matters: How Do Third-Party Leader Statements Impact Strategies in Intrastate Armed Conflicts?

Reşat Bayer & Muhammed Lütfi Türkcan
Diplomacy and Regimes

9:50

Sinem Ünalđılar, Betül Aydođan Ünal & Senem Kumova Metin
The Influence of the Russia-Ukraine War on EU Defense Policy and the Quest for Strategic Autonomy: An NLP Analysis of European Security Documents

Ömer Faruk Şen
Multipolar International System and Democratic Backsliding: The Case of Turkey under the AKP Rule

10:15-10:45

Coffee Break & Opening Remarks (10:30 at Entrance Hall)

10:45-12:15	Session 2 (A130): The Role of Leadership Chair: Tudor Onea	Session 2 (H232): Resources and Conflict Chair: Belgin San Akça
10:45	Buket Ökten Sipahioğlu <i>Post-Soviet Eurasia and the European Union: Changing Leadership Strategies After Russia-Ukraine War</i>	Volkan Tibet Gür <i>Petro Hostilities at Sea: The pathways from energy to militarized maritime border disputes</i>
11:10	Rahime Süleymanoğlu-Kürüm & Selin Türkeş-Kılıç <i>Unraveling Power Hierarchies: Mapping the Sociology of Elites and the Role of Bureaucratic Decision-Making</i>	Serdar Güner & Selcen Yüksel <i>International Peace in the Niger River basin, 2000-2022: A Correspondence Analysis</i>
11:35	Özgür Özdamar & Sercan Canbolat <i>Leaders in the Middle East and North Africa: How Ideology Shapes Foreign Policy</i>	Işıl İdrisoğlu & William Spaniel <i>Signaling and Terrorism</i>
12:00	Tudor A. Onea & Yüksel Yasemin Altıntaş <i>Scapegoating Your Ally: How Leaders Escape Domestic Audience Costs by Blaming Their Allies for Failing to Support Them in International Crises</i>	Pengshan Pan & Liyang Zhou & Ahmad Shah Mobariz <i>When Precipitation Cultivates Chaos: Climate Variability, Opium Production, and Conflict Dynamics in Afghanistan</i>
12:30-14:00	Lunch Break	
14:00-15:15	Session 3 (A130): Domestic Politics and IR Chair: Reşat Bayer	Session 3 (H232): Political Economy of Violence Chair: Ersel Aydınlı
14:00	Kelly Morrison, Burcu Savun & Daniella Donna & Perisa Davutoğlu <i>Monitor Verdicts, Partisanship and Support for Post-Election Violence in Polarized Elections</i>	Seray Yalaz & Efe Tokdemir <i>Economic and Social Dynamics of Rebel Behavior: A Categorization of Natural Resources and Service Sector Investments in Conflict Zones</i>
14:25	Tobias Korn & Lukas Wellner & Matthias Quinckhardt <i>The Economic Consequences of the War: Evidence from Weimar Germany</i>	Merve Keskin, Ömer Zarplı, Burcu Savun & Hyunjung Park <i>Economic Sanctions, Rebel Groups, and Persistence of Civil Wars</i>
14:50	Umut Yüksel <i>Domestic Political Determinants of Maximalism: An Examination of Unilateral Maritime Claims</i>	Belgin San Akça <i>Spreading Goodness: International Norm Diffusion to Non-state Armed Groups</i>

15:15-15:30	<i>Coffee Break</i>	
15:30-17:15	Session 4 (A130): Militarized Actions and War Chair: Efe Tokdemir	Session 4 (H232): UN and Peacekeeping Chair: Burcu Savun
15:30	Connor J. S. Sutton & İlker Kalın <i>How the Strong Lose Their Wars: The Limits of Material Capabilities in War Outcomes</i>	Burak Giray <i>Introducing the United Nations Peacekeeping Activities and Public Services (UNPAPS) Dataset</i> <i>Peace in the World</i>
15:55	Ana Assis & Erika Ribeiro <i>From Troops to Weapons: Investigating Preferences in Military Investments and the Impact of Proximity to Potential Threats</i>	Ersagun Kocabaş <i>Civilians in the Government: On the Relationship Between Peacekeeper Contributions and Military Involvement in Politics</i>
16:20	Mehmet Erdem Arslan & Prabin Khadka <i>Half Measures: The Impact of Aerial Strikes on the Activities of Peacekeeping Forces and Al-Shabaab in Somalia</i>	Firuze Simay Sezgin & Caner Özdurak <i>A Betting Game for Peace: Monetizing UN Peacekeeping Operations via Crypto Assets</i>
16:45	Cem Birol <i>Autocratic Survival and Missile Testing</i>	Sümeyye Kaya Uyar <i>Strategies of Representative Selection in Covert Peace Talks: Insights from the Basque Experience</i>

Friday, January 12
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9:00-10:15	Session 5 (A130): Gender and IR Chair: Rahime Süleymanoglu-Kürüm	Session 5 (H232): Conflict and Human Security Chair: Firuze Simay Sezgin
9:00	Bimal Adhikari, Jeffrey King & Lie Philip Santoso <i>Ties that Bind? Women Leaders' Voting Congruence in the United Nations General Assembly</i>	Cihan Dizdaroğlu <i>Discovering Youth Agency in the Cyprus Problem Through Intergroup Dialogue in a Divided Country</i>
9:25	Bezen Balamir Coşkun <i>Making Use of Sustainable Development Goals as Epistemic Infrastructures for the Advancement of Women, Peace and Security Agenda</i>	Başar Baysal & Mathew H. Charles <i>Desecuritizing Former FARC Rebels: An Analysis Based on Transformative Technique and Emotional Legacy Model</i>
9:50	Sweta Sen <i>Looking at Rebel Negotiation Through Women's Eyes</i>	Zeyno Keçecioglu <i>Unraveling the Roots of Inter-Personal Violence: A Comparative Analysis of Homicide Rates in the Nordic Region</i>
10:15-10:30	Coffee Break (At Entrance Hall)	
10:30-11:45	Session 6 (A130): Contemporary Foreign Policy Issues Chair: Sinem Ünalçılar	Session 6 (H232): Political Violence and Terrorism Chair: Faruk Aksoy
10:30	Musa Akgül & Muhammet Koçak <i>Status-Seeking through Use of Force: Understanding Foreign Policies of Russia, Iran, and Turkey towards the Syrian Crisis</i>	Latife Kınay Kılıç <i>Determinants of Target State Responses When Facing State Sponsorship of Rebel Groups: An Original Response Dataset</i>
10:55	Onur Erpul & Nicolas Terrádas <i>Raison de Système as the New Raison d'Etat: An English School Approach to Foreign Policy</i>	Buse Düveroğlu <i>The Impact of Terror Group Reputation on Counterterrorism Decision-Making Process</i>

11:20	Megumi Nishimura <i>Political Institutions as the Securitizing Mentor: Comparative Discursive Analysis on Aummu Sarin Incident in the US and Japan.</i>	Burcu Türkoğlu-Payne <i>From 'Democratic Opening' to War Conditions within the National Territory: The Trench Operations in Southeastern Turkey (2015-2016)</i>
11:45-12.00	Short Break	
12:00-13:15	Session 7 (A130): Ongoing Conflicts in 2023 Chair: Seçkin Köstem	Session 7 (H232): Non-State Armed Groups and the International System Chair: Onur Erpul
12:00	Ali Isgandarov <i>A Crucial Test for the Commercial Peace Theory: Strategic Rivalries and Economic Interdependence</i>	Emir Yazıcı <i>Transborder Co-Ethnic Trust and International Security Cooperation</i>
12:25	Riccardo Gasco <i>Assessing Turkey's Credibility as an External Mediator in the Ukrainian Conflict</i>	Silvia Carenzi <i>Explaining the Trajectories of Islamist Armed Groups in Syria: A Relational and Dynamic Approach</i>
12:50	Arie M. Kacowicz <i>The Best of All Possible Worlds: An Israeli-Palestinian (Jordanian?) Confederation as an Alternative to the One-State or Two-State Solutions</i>	Sezai Özçelik <i>The Relations Among Peace, Conflict, and Sport: Can Sport Create Peace After Conflict?</i>

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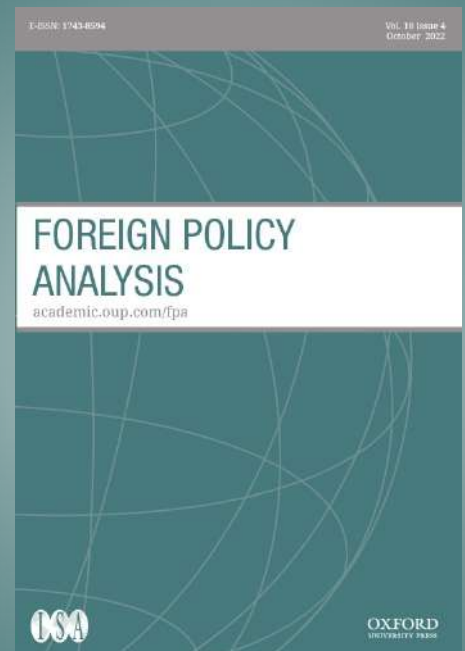
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