

## PEGNet Newsletter Volume 8

In the eighth PEGNet Newsletter, we are reporting from our annual conference and the PEGNet Best Practice Award. We would also like to announce the 2012 PEGNet conference which will be held in cooperation with the PEP Africa Office in Senegal. Our new PEGNet member is NADEL at ETH Zuerich. And there are many upcoming events for instance the Global Economic Symposium that is organized by the Kiel Institute for the World Economy.

I hope you will enjoy our newsletter. This and past newsletters are, as always, available online at: [www.pegnet.ifw-kiel.de](http://www.pegnet.ifw-kiel.de).



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The Poverty Reduction, Equity, and Growth Network's (PEGNet) conference 2011 on "**Poor Countries, Poor People, and the New Global Players**" was held at the GIGA German Institute of Global and Area Studies, Hamburg, Germany, September 7 to 9, 2011.

[>more on: Best Practice Award winner, photos, videos, press and feedback](#)

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PEGNet welcomes the [NADEL Center for Development and Cooperation, ETH Zurich](#) and [Prof. Dr. Isabel Guenther](#) as new members.

**ETH**

Eidgenössische Technische Hochschule Zürich  
Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich

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And check out ODI's latest publication on: "The Millennium Development Goals after 2015: no goals yet, please". [www.odi.org.uk/resources/details.asp?id=5981&title=mdgs-millennium-development-goals-post-2015-goals-targets](http://www.odi.org.uk/resources/details.asp?id=5981&title=mdgs-millennium-development-goals-post-2015-goals-targets).

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- Article in E&Z/D+C: <http://www.inwent.org/ez/articles/197709/index.en.shtml> and BMZ press release (in German): [http://www.bmz.de/de/presse/aktuelleMeldungen/2011/september/20110907\\_pm\\_15\\_1\\_pegnet/index.html](http://www.bmz.de/de/presse/aktuelleMeldungen/2011/september/20110907_pm_15_1_pegnet/index.html)

- PEGNet's youtube channel with videos of all plenary sessions:  
<http://www.youtube.com/user/PEGNet2011#p/a>
- Photos of the conference:  
<http://www.flickr.com/photos/kielinstitute/sets/72157627584028769/>
- Summary of conference feedback: A quick look at the feedback forms tells us that most participants – of those that filled out the feedback form - were newcomers to our event. The debate and the young professional keynote were, as in past years, the highlights. The Courant research centre session, and the sessions on subjective wellbeing, impact evaluation, and informal entrepreneurship were the most liked parallel sessions. Logistics also seemed to have been highly satisfactory for the majority of participants.
- PEGNet @ Kiel Institute's twitter: <http://twitter.com/#!/kielinstitute>

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## 2. PEGNet Conference 2012 in Dakar



### PEGNet Conference 2012

#### How to Make African Economic Lions:

#### Tapping Africa's Growth and Poverty Reduction Potentials

PEP research network, Dakar, Senegal,

September 6-7 2012

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#### Conference format

The conference will provide a platform for high-level dialogue between development researchers, practitioners and policy-makers. The two conference days will feature parallel sessions based on invited and contributed papers as well as project presentations. These sessions will be complemented by a debate, a round-table discussion, and keynote

speeches by renowned speakers from academia, economic policy and development practice. In addition, the PEGNet Best Practice Award will be awarded for the fourth time to best practices in cooperation between researchers and practitioners. While plenary sessions will focus on the conference theme, parallel sessions and Best Practice Award projects are open to all topics surrounding PEGNet's core theme, i.e. the nexus between poverty, equity, and growth.

### **Conference theme**

There seems to be dynamism and drive in Africa. The continent's average growth is almost five times the Euro zone average growth and some of the world's fastest growing economies are in Sub Saharan Africa. Some observers believe that Africa will play an increasingly important role in the global economy while others raise critical questions on how sustainable the current development is. So far, growth has been fairly concentrated and most of the benefits have gone to the elite. The question is therefore how to achieve broad-based growth and sustainable large-scale progress in poverty reduction. Looking at the longer term trends, many countries seen as fast growers in 1970, such as Côte d'Ivoire, are now stagnating. What can we learn from those experiences? The sources of Africa's increased economic momentum and likely staying power are not well understood. Is the acceleration in growth a sign of hard-earned progress or the result of a commodity boom? How will Africa's long-term growth reflect interrelated social and demographic changes, such as the rise of the African urban consumer? Will the lack of a strong manufacturing base hinder long-term growth prospects? How large is the role of the private sector in achieving broad-based growth? Issues to be discussed regarding the private sector are the potentials of social business, risks and opportunities of providing public services through private actors and the role of the financial sector in the development process.

Taking an African perspective, the conference will discuss scientific results and practical experiences on a number of channels through which public policy, private economic activity, aid, and social and demographic developments have an impact on development.

### **Organisers**

The conference is co-organised by the Poverty and Economic Policy (PEP) research network, the Kiel Institute for the World Economy (IfW), the Gesellschaft für internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) on behalf of the German Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), and supported by the Courant Poverty Research Centre at the University of Göttingen.

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### 3. Call for Paper for International Workshop on Large-Scale Agricultural Investments

The German Institute of Global and Area Studies (GIGA) invites submissions for an international conference on large-scale agricultural investments on **11 May 2012 in Hamburg**, Germany. Large-scale agricultural investments and land deals have recently received considerable media coverage. Typically, these deals are perceived as “land grabs” of dubious legal import and of little use to the population in target countries. Notwithstanding these perceptions, surprisingly little is known on the nature and consequences of land deals: Neither on the scale of the phenomenon, nor on the underlying contractual arrangements, and even less on the consequences for the local population.

The academic and practical debate on large-scale land investments is just starting, as are several research projects on different aspects of these land deals. The workshop aims at bringing researchers and practitioners together, structure the debate, exchange ideas, shed light on various dimensions of the problem – in short, it aims at stimulating the discussion. It is organized by a research team at GIGA working in a joint research project on “Large-scale land acquisitions and sustainable development” with the Kiel Institute for the World Economy and the University of Greifswald and supported by PEGNet. The workshop will address the following dimensions of large-scale land deals:

- *Legal and political dimensions:* In which regulatory framework do large-scale land deals take place? Which are the actors in land deals and how do they behave? Does the process of “land grabbing” change power relations among different actors?
- *Socio-economic dimension:* What are the socio-economic consequences of large-scale land deals? How does the reality of large-scale land deals compare to the contractual arrangements (e.g. compensation) and is there any empirical evidence on the effects on local populations?
- *Ecological and ethical dimensions:* Are ecological and ethical (e.g. human right to food) considerations taken into account? What about the environmental sustainability of new cultivation schemes?
- *Historical dimension:* A historical dimension would cut across the above issues: Are large-scale land deals a new phenomenon, or are there parallels to earlier similar phenomena (e.g. during or the post-colonial establishment of plantations)?
- *Conflict dimension:* Again a cross-cutting dimension: Land-use changes and related population dynamics can be a long-term cause of violent conflicts?

Other papers of relevance to large-scale agricultural investments are also welcome.

We are delighted that the keynote lecture will be delivered by Stein T. Holden from the Department of Economics and Resource Management at Norwegian University of Life Sciences, Ås, Norway. Prof. Holden has published several leading articles on land markets, land registration, land rights, and land tenure.

Please send an abstract (200 up to 1000 words) and a short CV as pdf files to [land-issues@giga-hamburg.de](mailto:land-issues@giga-hamburg.de) and indicate "Workshop 2012" in the subject heading. The submission deadline is 30 January 2011. Notification of acceptance will be sent out by the beginning of March 2011. The deadline for full paper submission is 29 April 2012.

Submissions should be in English, which is also the conference language. The workshop will bring together about 50 researchers and practitioners. Participation in the workshop is free; however, travel and accommodation expenses cannot be covered.

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## 5. News from PEP

PEP's next (9<sup>th</sup>) General Meeting will be held in Siem Reap, Cambodia, December 4-9, 2011. As in previous years, an international policy conference will take place in the midst of the Network's meeting, on Dec 5-6. The conference will feature presentations of PEP-supported research projects, each commented by concerned policymakers, in three distinct thematic sessions (social protection, child welfare, sustainable & inclusive growth).

The following [link](#) provides more information on the event.

Recent findings and publications from the PEP Network's developing country researchers can be found here: <http://www.pep-net.org/home/pep-research-findings/>

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## 7. Call for Papers: Workshop on Human Trafficking, International Crime and National Security: A Human Rights Perspective

February 3-4, 2012, Goettingen, Germany

We invite submissions for a workshop on human trafficking, international crime and national security with a particular focus on human rights, to be held in Goettingen, Germany, on

February 3-4, 2012. As part of the European Commission's Project on Indexing Trafficking in Human Beings, this workshop brings together economists, political scientists, and other scholars, as well as policy makers to address emerging problems of human trafficking and transnational crimes.

### **Distinguished Key Note Speaker**

Beth Simmons (Clarence Dillion Professor of International Affairs, Harvard University, Department of Government)

### **Submission of Papers**

Empirical, theoretical and policy-oriented papers on the topics are welcome. Please submit full papers to [scho@uni-goettingen.de](mailto:scho@uni-goettingen.de). The deadline for submission is November 30th, 2011. Decisions will be made by December 31th, 2011.

### **Workshop Format, Attendance, Registration and Accommodation**

Presenters of accepted papers are expected to attend the entire workshop. The number of presenters will be limited to about 30. Travel expenses will be reimbursed and accommodation will be provided for presenters of accepted papers. There is no registration fee.

### **Workshop Venue: Georg-August University of Goettingen, Germany**

Goettingen is an old university town located in the central part of Germany. It takes 2 hours from Frankfurt by train (<http://www.goettingen.de>).

**Workshop Website:** <http://www.human-trafficking-research.org/>

### **Program Committee**

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### **Sponsor**

[European Commission, Directorate-General Justice, Freedom and Security \(Prevention of and Fight against Crime Action Grant\)](#)

We look forward to your submissions.

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## **8. News from 3ie: calls for proposals and working papers**

### ***3ie calls for proposals to monitor policy influence***

The International Initiative for Impact Evaluation (3ie) is calling for proposals from regional organizations (think tanks, firms/consortia or research bodies) to monitor the policy influence activities and uptake of 3ie-funded impact evaluations, as well as document case studies and synthesize policy lessons. The main objective is to ensure utilization of the evaluation findings by policymakers and programme managers. **Deadline: October 21.**

The detailed Terms Of Reference is available at:

<http://www.3ieimpact.org/userfiles/doc/TOR%20POLICY%20MONITORING%20%20FINAL.pdf>

### ***3ie's new Working Paper on Oxfam GB's approach to evaluating its effectiveness***

In the new working paper '[Can we obtain the required rigour without randomisation?](#)', authors Karl Hughes and Claire Hutchings describe some of the challenges NGOs face in accessing credible feedback on a development intervention's effectiveness. They show that tracking outcome indicators is not a viable option and present an alternative approach being pursued by Oxfam GB, where closing and sufficiently mature projects are randomly selected and subjected to 'effectiveness audits'. Read the [Working Paper](#).

### ***Social Protection Thematic Window: 3ie calls for impact evaluation proposals Deadline for submission of expression of interest: 11.59 pm GMT, 7 November 2011***

3ie has just launched a call for quality impact evaluations of social protection programmes. The focus of this grant programme is on generating evidence that is relevant to low-income countries and filling critical gaps in our knowledge about social protection.

This grant window dedicated to social protection is funded by the [UK Department for International Development](#), with the potential for more funding from 3ie. This is the first thematic window being launched by 3ie and is part of an ongoing drive to fund high quality research in particular sectors that helps us gather a body of evidence and understand what works, why and under what circumstances.

The [Social Protection Thematic Window](#) invites:

- Impact evaluations that evaluate the impact of risk reduction and coping mechanisms, in particular cash transfer interventions and public works. But the window may also consider complementary interventions in the area of risk prevention like unemployment benefits, pensions, and insurance, and opportunity promotion initiatives, such as job creation and training.
- Proposals for evaluations of the impact of social protection interventions on poverty reduction and local economic activity, as well as those exploring design issues related to complementary programmes, exit and graduation strategies, and targeting mechanisms.
- Systematic research and analyses of the political and institutional conditions that determine the selection of programmes and the capacity to adjust to evidence and emerging needs.

Applications will be accepted from **10 October 2011**. Deadline for expressions of interest is **11.59 pm GMT, 7 November 2011**.

For more information on the call and to download the request for proposals visit: [http://www.3ieimpact.org/social\\_protection\\_thematic\\_window.html](http://www.3ieimpact.org/social_protection_thematic_window.html)

Researchers interested in being part of 3ie's database of social protection evaluators, please send your CVs to [speval@3ieimpact.org](mailto:speval@3ieimpact.org). Having such a database helps 3ie match interventions that need to be evaluated with researchers who have the needed expertise.

Grateful if you could forward this to people who may be interested. Please direct call-related queries to [sptw@3ieimpact.org](mailto:sptw@3ieimpact.org).

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## 9. TSPN annual conference



### **TSPN Annual Conference: "Standards, South-South Trade and Opportunities for Advancing the Sustainability Agenda"**

Nov. 30 - Dec. 1, 2011. Washington, DC.

Venue: The World Bank

701 18th Street, N.W (J Building)

Room JB1-080

Dear Colleague,

The **Trade Standards Practitioners Network (TSPN)** is pleased to invite you to its annual conference entitled "**Standards, South-South Trade and Opportunities for Advancing the Sustainability Agenda.**"

The conference, to be held in Washington, D.C. on **November 30- December 1, 2011**, will explore the scope, potential, and limitations of emerging standards and their role in shaping up the markets for agri-food traded commodities among developing and emerging economies.

Some estimates indicate that the share of south-south trade in global trade is likely to double in the next two decades; this dynamic is increasingly evident in the trade of food and agricultural commodities. Yet, in the context of enhanced south-south agri-food trade, what is the role that standards are having and what is their potential to contribute to sustainable trade and development?

Some of the topics to be covered during the day-and-a-half meeting include:

- Overview of the current dimensions (commodities, regions, etc.) and rationale of south-south trade and the role and relevance of standards, particularly voluntary standard initiatives;
- Standards on south-south trade of timber products and emerging co-regulatory approaches;
- The drivers of south-south standardization initiatives; and

- The implications of emerging trends on standardization approaches on developing-country small and mid-sized enterprises and other key stakeholders.

The conference program is being structured to provide space for interaction and discussion, either during topic-launch tables, at the market place, the reception or during breaks. Topical full and parallel sections will be held on both days, with a **market place** session taking place the first day, in the afternoon.

### **Share your experience at the Marketplace Session**

The marketplace provides an opportunity for academics, project implementers, development organizations, government officials, standard-setting organizations and other relevant stakeholders to share their standard-related work and experiences within the context of south-south trade. To learn more about how to participate in this session, please email Kathrin Fochtmann ([Kathrin.Fochtmann@tradestandards.org](mailto:Kathrin.Fochtmann@tradestandards.org), Tel. +49 619679 1974)

**REGISTRATION IS FREE.** To register please fill out the attached form, add your name to the file name, and send it to [info@tradestandards.org](mailto:info@tradestandards.org). Further information on the conference is available on the [TSPN web site](#).

**Conference space is limited, so register early!**

**The conference is organized by the TSPN and co-funded by the World Bank and IFC**

### **Why attend the conference?**

Every year, the conference gathers TSPN members, practitioners, NGOs, government officials, standard-setting organizations, private sector actors and others responsible for leading the development and/or implementation of trade-related social, environmental, and food safety standards.

Attendees to the conference will have the opportunity to:

- Actively participate in versatile and informed discussions on a key emerging standards-related topics;
- Connect with a diverse group of representatives from the standards field from all over the world;
- Be part of the major annual event of the TSPN Network; and
- Contribute to the growing community of practice around trade standards.

The TSPN is an international network of multilateral agencies, bilateral organizations, research institutes, NGOs, and other practitioners working on the standards field. The network's mission is to improve the effectiveness of initiatives that support developing country capacity and participation in the development and implementation of trade-related social, environmental, and food safety standards.

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## 10. Global Young Academy membership call



### 2011 Call for New Members

The 2011 call for new members to join the Global Young Academy is now open. Applications are sought from young, independent researchers who combine the highest level of research excellence with a demonstrated passion for delivering impact.

**Research fields:** The call is open to all researchers working in any evidence-based discipline, including the natural sciences and medicine, engineering, social sciences, arts and humanities.

**Excellence:** Applicants must be able to demonstrate a high level of excellence in their research discipline, as evidenced by their publication record or demonstrated practical outcomes of their work.

**Impact:** The Global Young Academy is committed to a broad range of programs around the world to support young researchers, promote science to the broadest possible audience, engage in policy debate and foster international and interdisciplinary collaboration. Applicants must be able to provide evidence of interest or past experience in one or more of these areas.

**Age/career point:** Applicants should be in the early years of their independent research careers. The majority of the GYA's members are aged 30-40 and the typical period from

completion of a PhD or similar degree is 5-12 years. Applicants falling significantly outside these ranges may be considered under exceptional circumstances.

**Diversity:** The Global Young Academy strives to be as diverse as the global community of young scientists. We encourage applications from all qualified candidates, irrespective of nationality, ethnicity, religion, gender, discipline or political or other beliefs.

National academies of the sciences, social sciences and humanities, national or private science foundations, national or international learned societies, and other institutions of national or international scientific repute are invited to nominate suitable candidates or to bring this call to the attention of suitable applicants. Applications should be completed personally by the candidate, but may be accompanied by a letter of support from the nominating institution. Self-nominations will also be accepted.

Application forms and details on how to apply can be downloaded from the Global Young Academy's website at [www.globalyoungacademy.org](http://www.globalyoungacademy.org). The closing date for the receipt of applications is Sep 30<sup>th</sup> 2011.

**The Global Young Academy.** Founded in 2010 with the support of the Interacademy Panel: The global network of science academies, the Global Young Academy is an international institution of young researchers with members from six continents. Members are elected for four year terms and the total membership is capped at two hundred. All members are expected to actively contribute to one or more of the organization's programs, which include participation in policy development, promotion of national young academies, supporting science in the developing world and the young scientist ambassador program. For more information on the Global Young Academy or any of its programs, please visit [www.globalyoungacademy.org](http://www.globalyoungacademy.org).

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## 11. News from ODI: chronic poverty advisory network and MDG publication

### Background

The Chronic Poverty Advisory network builds on the work of the Chronic Poverty Research Centre (CPRC) ([www.chronicpoverty.org](http://www.chronicpoverty.org)). Between 2000 and 2011, the Centre analysed the occurrence and causes of chronic poverty, of escaping from and sliding into poverty, and the possible policy responses. There is now an urgent need to make these findings better known among policy makers, and develop practical guidance, and new policies and programmes on

how to facilitate escapes from poverty, prevent descents into it, and address the causes of chronic poverty. This will help to construct the new policy agenda for eradicating extreme poverty and promoting greater wellbeing which is needed after 2015. Objectives To extend awareness of chronic poverty and its causes, and of the policies to address it among development policy makers and practitioners. To advise governments, development agencies and NGOs, in response to demand, on effective policy and programmatic responses to chronic poverty. To engage in policy co-experiments with governments, development agencies and NGOs on tackling chronic poverty.

Activities

### ***1 Policy engagement and advice in partner countries***

The CPRC has already been active in 10 developing countries, and the network will continue to work to achieve the set objectives in those countries. It will respond to demand for advice from policy makers, and organise events to inform policy makers about the latest knowledge on what works. Advice can be given in several forms – through traditional consultancy arrangements, whose cost will be subsidised during the first two years for developing country clients; through organised workshops and meetings; and through electronic communication with network members. Immediate plans include meetings with policy makers around the launching of reports or books on policies against chronic poverty in Bangladesh, Burkina Faso, Ghana, Uganda, and Tanzania.

### ***2 Dissemination, policy engagement and advice in neighbouring countries***

In order to increase the coverage of chronic poverty and responses to poverty dynamics, events will be held for policy makers in neighbouring countries. These will be organised by network partners in collaboration with one or more local organisations. The objective will be to arouse interest, and generate demand from policy makers for advice on policy and programme design, or evaluation. Immediate plans include events in Benin, Rwanda, and possibly Mozambique.

### ***3 Impact and lesson learning evaluation service***

The gold standard of Randomised Control Trials cannot always be achieved. Alternative approaches to evaluation include combining longitudinal or panel surveys with good qualitative research, or largely qualitative approaches. These are methods which the CPRC has pioneered in research and have also been applied to evaluate the impact of particular interventions. A current impact evaluation of contract cotton farming in Tanzania has used largely qualitative data to assess the impact of, and learn the lessons from a pilot programme

before it is rolled out nationwide. The network can provide advice on how to do such evaluations, and may be able to mount a team of expert researchers to undertake the work.

#### **4 Policy guides**

To support the above engagement and advisory activities, and as a practical contribution to better policy on poverty reduction, the network will develop a series of policy guides, drawing together the experience of introducing policies and programmes which address chronic and extreme poverty, and making suggestions about what may work in different contexts to support escapes from poverty, prevent slides into poverty and address chronic poverty. The objective is to improve policy making, programme design and evaluation at national level. The audience for policy guides are policy makers in developing countries and international development agencies. Sector policy makers need to know what will work in their sector. Ministries of Finance and Planning need to know how to measure progress and evaluate impact using the latest advances in research. The guides will be disseminated in CPAn events in developing countries. Each guide will be produced by a team including a lead researcher, a research officer and an editor. For some, it may be necessary to produce background papers as a first step. Decisions on which guide to produce and its timing will be taken in collaboration with the CPAn Board representing users, and with funders.

See also the list of possible [policy guides](#).

#### **5 The website**

The archived CPRC website is a valuable resource. The CPAn website will build on its strength. It will make available details of network members, the network's *modus operandi* and management structure and its publications and activities. It will build an online library of what works in addressing chronic poverty, facilitating escapes from extreme poverty and preventing people sliding into poverty.

#### **6 The network**

The Chronic Poverty Advisory network will combine researchers from the CPRC network with others in neighbouring countries, and with policy makers and practitioners who are able to provide their experiences to others. From a small starting base, it will expand as rapidly as possible in order to cope with a level of demand which is expected to be high.

**For more information, correspond with Andrew Shepherd, [a.shepherd@odi.org.uk](mailto:a.shepherd@odi.org.uk)**

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## 12. EUSECON – Policy Briefings on the Economics of Security

EUSECON - A New Agenda for European Security Economics – a project that analyzes the causes, dynamics, and long-term effects of both human-induced insecurity threats and European security policies, has launched a series of Policy Briefings on the Economics of Security. The series aims to present the most salient findings of the four-year research project to a wide range of audiences, including policy-makers, security experts, and general readers interested in this topic.

The project is funded by the European Commission's Seventh Framework Programme and comprises a consortium of top economists and social scientists from across Europe. It is managed by DIW Berlin - German Institute for Economic Research. To download the Policy Briefings Series, please refer to the website <http://www.economics-of-security.eu/eusecon/resources>.

EUSECON Policy Briefing 3: Highlighting the Major Trade-Offs Concerning Anti-Terrorism Policies.

Olaf J. de Groot and Cathérine Müller

EUSECON Policy Briefing 2: What Can be Done to Reduce the Occurrence of Piracy in the Short and Long Run?

Olaf J. de Groot and Marc Vothknecht

EUSECON Policy Briefing 1: How is the EUESECON Project Shaping the European Security Research Agenda?

Olaf J. de Groot and Myroslava Purska

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