

## Workshop Final Report

### Maritime Piracy & Global Governance: New Perspectives on an Old Problem

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The workshop entitled "Maritime Piracy & Global Governance: New Perspectives on an Old Problem," met as scheduled on March 15, 2011. All participants ended the day with a general agreement that the workshop had been beneficial, and plans to move forward with an edited volume as a result of the workshop were discussed. Eight papers were circulated before the workshop, so that all could have a chance to read and comment on them. All told, the participation was reasonably stable, as only one proposed participant had to withdraw, and one person shifted the focus of their project to be more in line with the overall thrust of the workshop. Eleven authors presented their work, and all discussants were able to offer insightful and productive commentary in an "author's workshop" setting.

Each paper had a designated reader and commenter, though all participants were active in critiquing and suggesting means of improvement. The papers/projects presented were:

Jon Carlson, "Sovereignty sans Territory: Piracy, International Norms and Challenges to Governance"

Kevin McGahan and Terence Lee, "Explaining Institutional Variation among Anti-Piracy Regimes: A Global Governance Approach"

Ingrid Kvalvik, "Steal Some Fish and You Will Get Caught, but If You Steal a Boat, Probably Not: Comparative Lessons on the Conditions of International Cooperation"

Michael Struett and Mark Nance, "Maritime Piracy and Regime Complexes: Explaining Low Levels of Coordination"

Eamon Aloyo, "Preventing Piracy: Ar(rrr)e Prosecutions Sufficient?"

Harry Gould, "Constructing Universal Jurisdiction over Pirates"

Eric Heinze, "Different Problem, Same Response: Legal Limitations on the Use of Force against Pirates"

Christian Bueger, "Piracy as Cultural Practice: Organizational Sociology and the Emergence of Somali Piracy"

Brent Steele, "Of Minds of State and States of Mind: Somali Pirates and the Poverty of State-Centric IR"

The workshop itself was divided into four sections. The first section was a general overview of maritime piracy and was intended to discuss approaches and cases. As one of our presenters was absent, we had a more casual introduction and a few minutes to have introductions and collegial discussion. This section also featured an introductory presentation by Carlson, followed by discussant comments and general discussion. Throughout the workshop, approximately 30 – 45 minutes was taken by each paper presentation and discussion.

The second session, entitled "Regimes and Maritime Piracy," featured presentation of the papers by McGahan and Lee, Kvalvik, and Struett and Nance. Following the same format (with assigned discussants), Heinze, Gould and Steele offered insightful commentary, which was supplemented by the other workshop members. This session was followed by a brief break for lunch, which participants independently procured.

The third section, entitled "Legal Aspects of Piracy," featured paper presentations by Aloyo, Gould, and Heinze. Discussants for each were Kvalvik, McGahan, and Bueger. Paying more attention to the judicial-legal framework surrounding the topic of piracy, this section generated considerable discussion and we worked through the afternoon coffee break.

The fourth and final section was entitled "Situating and Applying Pirates." Papers presented here included offerings by Bueger (co-authored with Stockbruegger – not in attendance) and Steele. Discussants for the respective offerings were Lee and Aloyo. This final session was followed up with a brief period of general discussion, including suggestions for future collaboration.

As one of the explicit goals of the workshop was to publish an edited volume, we were quite happy to see that most of the participants were taking a constructivist approach to the topic, which made for a more cohesive workshop. As proposed co-editors, Struett, Nance and Carlson discussed timeframe for revisions, and offered some additional preliminary suggestions for scope and direction of paper/chapter revisions. Potential publishing venues were discussed, and plans initiated to contact publishers during ISA (which was carried out and is currently looking promising). In follow-up conversations at ISA and afterwards, the authors have been working on making the book proposal a coherent whole.

Before, during and after the conference we have contacted publishers to suss-out their interest in the proposed volume. Several meetings at ISA were productive, and the book proposal is nearly ready to be sent out for review to significant publishers of international scholarly reputation. At this point, seven of the workshop participants/papers are solid chapter contributions, and several others have been added to give depth and broaden the appeal of the volume. Confidence is high that a book will be under contract and well along in the production cycle by the time a related roundtable is convened at the 2012 ISA.

## Budget Information

The approved budget breakdown was as follows:

Lodging = \$3168  
Per diems = \$1200  
Room rental = \$100  
Coffee, tea, pastry = \$222.13  
Lunch reimbursements = \$232.80 ( $\$19.40/\text{person} \times 12$ )  
TOTAL: \$4922.93

Actual expenses for reimbursement proved to be somewhat lower, as we were missing one participant and some participants chose to stay in less expensive lodgings. Final expenditures were:

Lodging = \$2673.88  
Per diems = \$1200  
Room rental = \$100  
Coffee, tea, pastry = \$222.13  
Lunch Reimbursements = \$188.71  
TOTAL: \$4384.72