

Interdependence, Networks and International Governance

Summary Venture Workshop 2013 ISA Annual Convention, San Francisco

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Summary

The workshop was held on April 2, 2013 at the Hilton San Francisco Hotel. Out of the 19 scholars involved in the collaborative project 17 attended the meeting. In total, 14 papers were presented. In addition to the paper givers, 8 observers participated in the meeting and contributed to the discussions. We had decided against appointing discussants; instead we encouraged all participants to be prepared to comment. Throughout the workshop, we had lively debates that clearly benefited from the inputs of all participants, including the observers. The two participants that were absent at the workshop have shown interest to remain involved in the overall project.

After a brief welcome, the meeting was organized around five themes: methodology, conflict, violence, governance/democratization and security cooperation. The use of network analysis tied all the various presentations together, and collectively the papers presented under the five themes provided a broad overview of the work on networks, interdependence and governance. Individual papers were presented in each of the five panels followed by a brief concluding session (for the detailed workshop agenda, see annex I). The five panel sessions consisted of a brief presentation of an individual papers followed by a discussion.

Overall, the meeting was characterized by very constructive and stimulating discussions. Participants developed considerable theoretical common ground and explored a range of intriguing research avenues. In particular, many papers significantly overlapped in the theoretical concepts they used while, at the same time, exploring the various approaches that are broadly covered under network analysis. Contributors were encouraged to keep on working on their papers which will then be presented a second workshop meeting in winter 2013/4.

Follow-up

A related workshop, but independently organized by Yonatan Lupu, on Networks and Conflict will be hosted by George Washington University in September 2013. At this meeting, revised versions of some of the papers will be presented, and George Washington University has kindly provided some financial support for this event. Further, we are discussing whether it is feasible to organize a follow-up event at the University of St. Gallen, Switzerland. At both events, authors will have the opportunity to revise their papers based on the fruitful exchanges we had at the ISA workshop and to obtain additional feedback. Finally, we also plan to present the workshop results at a panel at the 2014 ISA Annual Convention in Toronto.

We plan to submit the papers (perhaps a selection) for publication as a special issue of a top-level international relations journal (e.g. *International Studies Quarterly*, *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, *Journal of Peace Research*, *International Interactions*).

Budget Accounting

In total, our approved budget for the April Workshop was 8.691 USD. A few project participants did not attend the workshop meeting, and a few others had found alternative funding. Our actual expenses were 5.177,82 USD and remained below the approved budget. For a detailed accounting of our budget expenses see table 1.

Table 1 Budget Expenses (in USD)

Items	Budget Amt	Expense Amt	Difference
Room Rental	200	200	0
Catering	1.121	1.121	0
Audio-Visual	395	395	0
Hotel	5.100	2.261,82	2.838,18
Per Diem	1.875	1.200	675
Memb & Reg Fees	0	0	0
Internet	0	0	0
Research Asst	0	0	0
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Total	8.691	5.177,82	3.513,18

Annex I: Workshop Agenda: Interdependence, Networks, and International Governance

ISA Workshop, 2 April 2013

Franciscan C Ballroom, Hilton San Francisco

9 – 10.30 am	Welcome Session I	<u>Advances in Methods of Network Analysis</u> <i>Chair: Erik Gartzke</i> Yonatan Lupu and Paul Poast Curtis S. Signorino and Brenton Kenkel [#] Rebecca McBride
10.30 – 11 am	Coffee	
11 am – 12.30 pm	Session II	<u>Networks and Conflict</u> <i>Chair: Gerald Schneider</i> Skyler Cranmer, Lee Foster and Zhengqi Pan Erik Gartzke and Oliver Westerwinter Michael D. Ward and Cassy Dorff
12.30 – 1.30 pm	Lunch	
1.30 – 3 pm	Session III	<u>Networks and Violence</u> <i>Chair: Oliver Westerwinter</i> Paul Huth, Jacob Aronson [#] , and Mark Lichbach [#] Gerald Schneider Brandon Kinne
3 – 3.30 pm	Coffee	
3.30 – 5 pm	Session IV	<u>Networks, Governance and Democratization</u> <i>Chair: Zeev Maoz</i> Han Dorussen and Hugh Ward [#] Håvard Hegre T. Camber Warren
5 – 6 pm	Session V	<u>Networks and Security Cooperation</u> <i>Chair: Han Dorussen</i> Amanda Murdie Zeev Maoz and Kyle Joyce [#]
	Closing Discussions	

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