Summer School ‘War, Peace and the World Order’

September 29, 2025 to October 20, 2025

Firenze

Scientific Program

Monday 29 September

10-11 | Welcome and presentation of the School and of the participants
Mario Pianta, Scuola Normale Superiore
Alessandro Saggioro, Sapienza Università di Roma, Coordinator of the National PhD in Peace Studies (online)

The world system
Chair: Francesco Strazzari, Scuola Superiore Sant’Anna
11-13 | The world system: capitalism, hegemony, conflicts
Mario Pianta, Scuola Normale Superiore
14-16 | The war system: (dis)armament and international relations
Francesco Strazzari, Scuola Superiore Sant’Anna
16.30-18.30 | The Russia-Ukraine war and the European order
László Andor, former EU Commissioner, FEPS Brussels
Volodymyr Ishchenko, Freie Universität in Berlin
Discussants
Maria Chiara Franceschelli, Scuola Normale Superiore
Andrey Maliuk, Università di Trieste
Daniela Musina, Scuola Normale Superiore

Tuesday 30 September

Politics, war and peace
Chair: Lorenzo Bosi, Scuola Normale Superiore
10-12 | Patterns of conflict
Siri Aas Rustad, Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO)
13-15 | Intervention and the use of force in world politics: continuity and change
Mats Berdal, Kings College London

Palestine and Israel
Chair: Donatella della Porta, Scuola Normale Superiore
15.30-16.30 | Israel's genocide in Palestine: the global architecture of injustice
Francesca Albanese, UN Special Rapporteur on the Occupied Palestinian Territory (online)
16.30 – 18.30 | The Israel-Palestine question: history and dynamics
Paola Caridi, scholar and author
Anna Foa, Sapienza Università di Roma (online)
Discussants
Lorenzo Bosi, Scuola Normale Superiore
Arees Bishara, Scuola Normale Superiore
Hadeel Karkar, Scuola Normale Superiore

Wednesday 1 October

International law and environmental conflicts
Chair: Luigi Pellizzoni, Scuola Normale Superiore
10-11.45 | Law and ethics of war
Matthew Evangelista, Cornell University
12-14 | The environment and conflicts in Africa
Luca Raineri, Scuola Superiore Sant’Anna
Discussants
Laura Berlingozzi, Scuola Superiore Sant’Anna
Giuliano Garavini, Università Roma Tre
Luigi Pellizzoni, Scuola Normale Superiore

15.30-16.15 | Tutoring session: Researching war and peace issues
Speakers and tutors discuss key approaches and methodologies for war and peace research
16.30-18.30 | Presentations by participants
Parallel group sessions with short presentations of participants’ research projects and feedback discussion with speakers and tutors

Group A. IR, Peacebuilding, Conflict Resolution and Mediation, Warfare, Violence and Armed Groups
16:30 – 16:55 COLOMBO, Roberto. Redefining Blood Revenge in Pro-Insurgent Violent Mobilisation: Insights from the Russian-Chechen Wars
16:55 – 17:20 PASCUAL PECINA, Sara. The Persistence of Resistance: An analysis of the anti-Franco guerrilla mobilization
17:20 – 17:45 CASLINI, Martina. Between Theory and Practice: The Interplay of Preventing Genocide and Guaranteeing Its Non-Repetition
17:45 – 18:10 PARSI, Lavinia. But, Is It Genocide? Rethinking the Legal Qualification of Ethnic Cleansing under International Criminal Law
18:10 – 18:35 STIFANO, Paolo. The Contribution of Religious Actors in Diplomatic Dialogue: History of the Peace Process in the Central African Republic and the Role of the Community of Sant’Egidio

Group B: Political Economy, Geographies of Militarism, Environment, Social Movements and Protests
16:30 – 16:55 SPANU, Giacomo. The Dual-Use Infrastructure: Civil-Military Entanglements in Cagliari’s Port
16:55 – 17:20 TABORRI, Andrea. Free Trade in Difficult Times: War, Peace, and the EU-Mercosur Free Trade Agreement
17:20 – 17:45 PELLEGRINO, Elena. Land, Olives, Walls: An Analysis of Israeli Environmental Politics in the Occupied Palestinian Territories
17:45 – 18:10 SCHRAUDOLPH, Sandro. Factors of Encampment Success: A Comparison of Northern Italian Protest Camps
18:10 – 18:35 DAS, Rajib. (Title TBC)

Tutor: Daniela Musina, Scuola Normale Superiore

Thursday 2 October

The political economy of war
Chair: Mario Pianta, Scuola Normale Superiore
10-11.45 | The military economy: arms expenditures, industry, exports
Raul Caruso, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore
11:45-13.30 | The military programmes in Europe and Italy
Futura D’Aprile, Scuola Normale Superiore
Francesco Vignarca, Rete Italiana Pace e Disarmo
Discussants
Paolo Maranzano, Università di Milano Bicocca
Marco Stamegna, Scuola Normale Superiore

Technologies and infrastructures of war
Chair: Hans-Jörg Trenz, Scuola Normale Superiore
14.30-16 | Digital tecnologies, Artificial Intelligence and the military
Dario Guarascio, Sapienza Università di Roma
16.30-18.30 | Artificial Intelligence and the erosion of human control on warfare
Guglielmo Tamburrini, Università di Napoli Federico II

Monday 20 October

9.30 | Peace-making
Chair: Mario Pianta, Scuola Normale Superiore
Opening: Enza Pellecchia, Runipace, Università di Pisa (online)
9.45-11.00 | Peace and solidarity mobilisations for Palestine
Donatella della Porta, Scuola Normale Superiore
Discussants
Ghadir M.a. Abumiddain, Scuola Normale Superiore
Federica Stagni, Scuola Normale Superiore
11.15-12.30 | Conflict resolution and peace-making from below
Mauro Garofalo, Comunità di Sant’Egidio, Roma
Discussants
Federica Frazzetta, Scuola Normale Superiore

Martin Köhler, Campagna Sbilanciamoci! (online)
12.30-13 | Showing of the video Gerusalemme: Time for peace 1990

I movimenti per la pace
Sessione in italiano
Chair: Guglielmo Meardi, Scuola Normale Superiore
14-16 | I movimenti per la pace in Europa
Luciana Castellina, già Parlamentare europea
Donatella della Porta, Scuola Normale Superiore
16.15-18.30 | Il pacifismo in Italia
Raffaella Bolini, Arci/Pace in movimento (online)
Giulio Marcon, Campagna Sbilanciamoci! (online)
Interventi
Gianni Alioti, WeaponsWatch
Flavio Lotti, Tavola della Pace