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Foreword

Two subjects were salient for CORE during the year 2010: Central Asia and the overall security dialogue in Europe, the two themes connected through the 2010 Kazakhstani Chairmanship and the OSCE Summit in Astana.

Two of the four research projects, which are currently being prepared at CORE, deal with Central Asia, one on the foreign policies of Kazakhstan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan, the other one on the Afghanistan policies of the Central Asian states. These are complemented by two running PhD projects on multilateral cooperation in Central Asia, and on power and public administration reform in Kazakhstan. In addition, an initial networking project that brought scholars from Kazakhstan, Russia and Uzbekistan to CORE was implemented. A second, larger project of this kind has been applied for. CORE staff members also contributed to the OSCE Central Asian Youth Network (CAYN) seminar: “Modern Challenges to Security in Central Asia,” organized by the OSCE Centre in Astana, and to activities of the OSCE Border Management Staff College in Dushanbe/Tajikistan. The crisis in Kyrgyzstan was closely followed, as was the development of the Kazakhstani Chairmanship.

In CORE’s second focal working field, the highlight certainly was the workshop “Assessment of the Astana Summit and the Way Ahead” at the Diplomatic Academy in Vienna on 8 December, jointly organized by CORE/IFSH, the Polish Institute for International Affairs (PISM), the Moscow State Institute for International Relations (MGIMO), and the three Heads of the Permanent Representations of Germany, Poland and the Russian Federation to the OSCE. The three institutes intend to follow up this work and elaborate, together with others, a report on the future of European security. This will be complemented by a new research project on the development of conventional arms control and the lessons thereof for future multilateral negotiations.

A number of activities were organized either together or commissioned by the German Federal Foreign Office. Most prominently was the workshop “OSCE Rule-of-Law Assistance”, jointly conducted by CORE and the German Federal Foreign Office in the Vienna Hofburg on 25-26 March 2010, in which more than 30 participants including high-ranking government officials from Belarus, Georgia, Russia, Turkmenistan, Ukraine and Uzbekistan and representatives of the Chairmanship and ODIHR participated. In addition, three policy papers were elaborated: on the High Commissioner on National Minorities, on the OSCE’s economic and environmental dimension, and on its field operations.

Much of what has been done in 2010 could not have been achieved without the generous support of the German Federal Foreign Office. CORE has profited greatly from this relationship and is very grateful for the financial assistance it has received as well as the fruitful exchanges it has had with Foreign Office staff, especially with the OSCE unit and with the Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Germany to the OSCE. CORE is also very grateful to all other participating States and institutions that have commissioned and funded CORE projects, in particular the OSCE Offices in Yerevan and in Tajikistan, the German Federal Ministry for Education and Science, the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) together with the Open Society Institute, and the Friedrich Ebert Foundation. We would like to thank everyone who has supported and cooperated with us. We are looking forward to another productive and rewarding year.

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1. CORE Profile

The Centre for OSCE Research (CORE), which is part of the Institute for Peace Research and Security Policy at the University of Hamburg (IFSH), is the only institution specifically dedicated to research on the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE). Founded in January 2000, CORE is currently headed by Dr Wolfgang Zellner.

Established in 1971 as a civil-law foundation, the IFSH analyses threats to peace and international security, following a policy-oriented approach. Currently, the IFSH has about 60 employees. Its Director is Prof. Michael Brzoska.

The IFSH's research agenda ranges across questions of European security, arms control, transition processes in Central and Eastern Europe, the Caucasus and Central Asia, the EU's Common Foreign and Security Policy, and most prominently, transnational risks and threats and aspects of global governance. From its inception, the IFSH has made regular contributions to research on the CSCE/OSCE process. This, in turn, paved the way for the creation of CORE.

CORE operates as a politically independent think tank, combining basic research on the evolution of the OSCE with demand-driven capacity-building projects and teaching. Addressing political actors, the academic community and the interested general public in Germany and abroad, CORE strives to contribute to the OSCE's development with analysis and critique that provide insight into the problems faced by and opportunities open to the Organization. In support of the OSCE's goals of co-operative security, effective conflict prevention and settlement, democracy and good governance, CORE seeks to contribute to a realistic assessment of the capacities and limitations of the Organization. In analysing the structures, instruments and activities of the OSCE and its cooperation with other international actors, CORE focuses on the following:

- OSCE activities related to crisis prevention, conflict resolution, and peace building;
- OSCE contributions to a cooperative security regime in Europe, especially through arms control and security dialogue;
- OSCE approaches to addressing transnational risks and threats;
- OSCE efforts to build peace and stability through democratization and good governance;
- The OSCE's institutional evolution and effectiveness.

In line with the OSCE's own priorities, much of CORE's work concerns the transition processes in Eastern and South-Eastern Europe, the Caucasus and Central Asia.

CORE strives to maintain an international outlook and to work towards viable solutions to problems. Several CORE staff members are not only qualified academics but have also acquired practical experience in OSCE field missions and/or field research. In addition, CORE projects frequently involve collaboration with local scholars in the countries and regions being studied. Regular contact with OSCE institutions and field operations keeps CORE's research programme oriented towards politically relevant questions.

2. Research Projects

2.1 Completed Research Projects

a) The Co-optation of Peacebuilding: Dynamics of External-Local Interaction and the Struggle for Local Ownership in Post-War Kosovo

Post-War Kosovo represents a pristine case study for analysing the dynamics of the interaction between external and local actors of peacebuilding, for two reasons. First, it is one of the rare examples of direct transitional administration by a set of international actors comprising the UN, NATO, OSCE, and the EU. Second, its (still) unclear political status in international legal terms has contributed to an open, but highly-contested space of political struggle between these international actors and their local counterparts, as exemplified in Kosovo's unilateral declaration of independence.

This completed PhD study, supported by the German Foundation for Peace Research and the IFSH, aimed at tracing relevant processes in the peacebuilding interaction between local and international actors in Kosovo since 1999. It hypothesized that the essential dynamics in this interaction are strongly influenced by a discursive struggle between these actors on aspects of local ownership. Moreover, if externally-held powers and capacities are not sufficiently devolved to legitimate local actors in the long run, initial forms of cooperation can rapidly change into increasing mutual confrontation, as a result of which international actors are often forced to agree on a co-optation of the initial peacebuilding agenda.

To test this hypothesis, the study concentrated not only on a technical-instrumental understanding of how to promote local ownership in peacebuilding, but also on how the political struggle of claiming and demanding such ownership unfolds and which turning points are relevant. Taken together, specific patterns and sequences in the peacebuilding dynamics in Kosovo as well as their underlying processes could be identified, on the basis of which concrete recommendations for future peacebuilding efforts can be generated.

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Publications:

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- Co-opting Multi-stakeholder Security Provisions. "Demobilization by Rearmament"–The Dual Conversion of the KLA into Kosovo's New Army, paper presented at the 2009 ISA Annual Convention in New York, 15 February 2009.
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2.2 Current Research Projects

a) Diversification or Restoration? A Comparative Analysis of Determining Factors, Patterns of Action and Rooms of Manœuvre in Kazakhstan, Turkmen and Uzbek Foreign and Security Policies (1991-2013)

The Central Asian states are of growing importance for the strategic stability and energy security of Europe. Against this background, it is remarkable that the domestic and external factors influencing their foreign and security policies are far from being understood. The main research questions of the planned project are: To what extent can the Kazakhstani, Turkmen and Uzbekistani foreign and security political behaviour of diversification be explained by a) competitive interests of external actors, b) the respective dependency of these three states, c) the different political flexibility of the regimes in power? And what are the security policy implications for the Caspian region and Central Asia? Our basic assumption is that the decisive factors for the foreign and security policy behaviour of Kazakhstan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan lie primarily in the respective dependency and cooperation strategies of the external actors. However, they are further specified by the quality of the regimes as well as their performance of transformation. A research proposal is approaching completion.

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b) Russian Security Policy in Relation to the EU, NATO and the OSCE: A New Look on an Old Theme

This project aims at studying continuity and change, cooperation and non-cooperation in Russian security policy in relation to three Western or Western-dominated institutions: the EU, NATO and the OSCE. While there are scholars who describe Russian foreign policy in terms of constant change, others claim more continuity. The same is true for the relationship between cooperation and non-cooperation. While some studies examine Russian policy toward the West as a generalized actor, others focus on one of the three aforementioned organizations. Thus, we have identified a research gap: No comprehensive studies exist that reveal the patterns of cooperation and non-cooperation as well as of continuity and change in Russian policy in relation to the three Western security-related institutions in parallel. Furthermore, we aim at explaining these patterns not by choosing between the traditional realist or constructivist perspectives. Rather, our research is based on the joint perspective of these two schools of thought, also integrating the results of the research in political psychology. A research proposal is approaching completion.

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Publications:

Kropatcheva, Elena, *Russia's Ukraine Policy against the Background of Russian-Western Competition*, Baden-Baden 2010.

- Foreword by Editor, in: 'Nadlezhashee upravlenie v svetskih gosudarstvah s bolshinstvom musulmanskogo naseleniya. Mat-ly mezhdunarodnogo kruglogo stola, Bishkek, 15-16 November 2008' [Good Governance in Secular States with the Muslim Majority: Materials of the international Workshop, Bishkek, 15-16 November 2008], Bishkek 2010, pp. 14-16.

c) *Small Players in a Great Game: The Afghanistan Policies of the Central Asian States*

This project envisions addressing the largely under-researched question of which policies the five Central Asian (CA) states have pursued on Afghanistan. What is well known is that the CA states are extremely concerned about the situation in Afghanistan and the impact of developments there on their own countries. However, there is little if any research at all on the question of whether the CA states are consciously aiming at stabilizing the situation in Afghanistan through their own initiatives in order to prevent a spill-over of the conflict there to their own countries. This kind of research is essential for formulating a stabilization strategy for Afghanistan after the forthcoming withdrawal of the coalition forces. More knowledge of the Afghanistan policies of the CA states is also essential for a better understanding of the dynamics of the still-separate conflict potentials in Afghanistan and Central Asia, the interlinkage and joint escalation of which would lead to a great violent conflict, greater even than the Balkans, in terms of both area and population. Such a development would entail negative consequences for a number of countries, the US, Western Europe, Russia and China among them. A pilot project has been applied for.

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d) *The CFE Negotiations: Lessons for Multilateral Arms Control*

Global Zero has opened up a new disarmament perspective. However, a moral commitment to the objective of *Global Zero* is not enough to achieve progress. What is needed now, are well-founded concepts for sustainable progress in disarmament and arms control. Without a viable conventional arms control agreement for Europe, Russia will not agree to disarm its tactical nuclear weapons (TNW). And without a significant reduction, if not abolition of TNW, *Global Zero* is doomed to failure. The CFE process offers both the chance to learn lessons for future multilateral arms control negotiations (both on conventional and on nuclear weapons) and to study the link between conventional and (tactical) nuclear weapons.

This PhD project, which is supported financially by the IFSH, aims at analysing which factors have facilitated or complicated the CFE negotiations and which lessons can be learnt from CFE for future multilateral arms control negotiations. To understand the factors at work CFE's past stages of negotiation will be examined to develop a comprehensive methodological-theoretical model. The model will draw on various theories of negotiations, most prominently Oran Young's hypotheses about *institutional bargaining*. Combining Young's deliberations with CFE-relevant factors of influence will help to elaborate a realistic account of the negotiations. The model will be infused by qualitative interviews with senior administrative officials as well as by official documents that have been produced. Project funding has been applied for.

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- Medvedev's Proposals for a New European Security Order: A Starting Point or the End of the Story?, in: Connections, The Quarterly Journal 9:2 (2010), pp. 1–16.
- From Capitol Hill to Istanbul: The Origins of the Current CFE Deadlock, Hamburg 2009 (CORE Working Paper No. 19).

e) Joint German-Polish-Russian Initiative: Report on the Future of European Security

The Institute for Peace Research and Security Policy at the University of Hamburg (IFSH), the Polish Institute of International Affairs (PISM), and the Moscow State Institute for International Relations (MGIMO) have jointly taken the initiative to elaborate a report on the future of European security. Beyond the nucleus of these three institutes, experts from the USA, France, the United Kingdom and other countries will be involved.

The German-Polish-Russian format has been chosen because it has already been introduced at the level of the planning staffs of the foreign ministries of these three states. The partners in the joint project view it as a civil society project, which, does, however, want to communicate with the state level. In 2010, preparatory discussions involving the three institutes took place. On 8 December 2010, a joint seminar, together with the OSCE ambassadors of the three states, was held in Vienna on the assessment of the OSCE Astana Summit and the way ahead (cf. 6.2).

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Publications:

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- From Corfu to Astana: The way to the 2010 OSCE summit, in: Security and Human Rights, vol. 21 (2010), no. 3, pp. 233-241.
 - Cooperative Security – principle and reality, in: Security and Human Rights, vol. 21 (2010), no. 1, pp. 64-68.

f) Multilateral Co-operation in and with Central Asia: Reciprocal Adaptation and Learning Processes in Cooperative Relations between International Institutions (EU and ADB) and the Central Asian States

This PhD project, which is supported by a joint scholarship from the DAAD and the Open Society Institute (OSI), investigates the role played by external actors in the regional co-operation processes in Central Asia. It deals specifically with the efforts of international institutions to promote multilateral co-operation in this region, which is considered to be the best way to achieve sustainable development and stability. Given the mixed results of those activities so far and the still-ambivalent patterns of co-operative behaviour between the Central Asian states, the study aims to assess whether it is possible for multilateral institutions to have an impact on the development of regional co-operation in Central Asia and, if so, how.

The empirical research is based on the following selected case studies: EU and ADB on the one hand, and Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan, on the other hand. In addition to the analysis of primary sources, qualitative research methods, including semi-structured interviews with representatives of the selected multilateral institutions and policy-makers in the Central Asian states will be applied.

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g) Power and Public Administration Reform in Kazakhstan

The political transformation in Central Asia since independence has been scrutinized mainly through the lens of democracy and democratization. Other aspects of the state as power and public administration have been widely neglected. This PhD project aims at shedding light on this part of statehood in Kazakhstan. The country is an interesting object of study as it is the only one in Central Asia, which has carried out administrative reforms. The reform's objective of "modernizing" or "rationalizing" the administration indicates *prima facie* emerging dynamics between "modernity and tradition".

Employing a sophisticated theory of the state and drawing on Weber's ideal types of domination, the core of the project consists of intensive field research aiming at analysing one branch of the Kazakhstani administration. Special attention will be paid to the role of international actors who have been involved in the field of administrative reform since independence.

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3. Consultancy Projects

3.1 Completed Consultancy Projects

Activities in 2010 included the elaboration of two working papers and two policy analyses commissioned by the German Federal Foreign Office, the organization of a workshop on "OSCE Rule-of-Law Assistance" jointly conducted with the German Federal Foreign Office, and a networking project with researchers from Russia and Central Asia. They also included advisory work for the OSCE Border Management Staff College in Dushanbe/Tajikistan, and the National Assembly of Armenia together with the OSCE Office in Yerevan.

a) CORE Working Paper: "OSCE Efforts to Promote the Rule of Law. History, Structures, Survey"

As early as in 2009, the German Federal Foreign Office as one of the main initiators of the OSCE decision on "Further Strengthening the Rule of Law in the OSCE Area" (MC.DEC 07/08) had tasked CORE with researching the OSCE's requirements for and capabilities of becoming more active in this field. Based on a related policy paper CORE produced last year, a working paper was published in 2010 to trigger discussions within the community of OSCE rule-of-law advisers. The paper examines

the OSCE's unique linkage of rule-of-law commitments to the promotion of democracy and good governance, and the respect and protection of human rights. It analyses relevant documents of the OSCE as well as other international organizations and national agencies, and portrays rule-of-law assistance provided by OSCE expert structures. The paper's recommendations largely reflect a survey CORE conducted among OSCE rule-of-law field officers.

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b) CORE Working Paper: "Balancing by Cross-Linking. Renewed Dialogue on the OSCE Economic and Environmental Dimension"

Discussions within the OSCE in 2009 and 2010 have shown once again that there is still no clear vision on the future development of the OSCE's second dimension. This working paper recapitulates second-dimension discussions since the OSCE reform discussions of 2005/06 and reflects the Corfu process debates on the way to the Astana Summit in December 2010. It considers the relevant OSCE documents that followed the adoption of the OSCE Strategy Document for the Economic and Environmental Dimension and the OSCE Strategy to Address Threats to Security and Stability in the Twenty-First Century in Maastricht 2003. Its recommendations summarize a number of significant national positions as well as views of OSCE second-dimension experts at headquarters and in the field. This working paper was commissioned by the German Federal Foreign Office.

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c) Policy Analysis: "Options for OSCE Field Operations"

The German Federal Foreign Office has asked CORE to elaborate options for further carrying out OSCE field operations. The clear majority of OSCE participating States sees on-site activities as one of the Organisation's strongest assets for conducting full-fledged conflict management and comprehensive development cooperation. They also perceive OSCE field operations as an essential tool for European security. On the other hand, deeply critical views of field operations have played a significant role in OSCE discussions since the early 2000s. They have also influenced the OSCE Corfu agenda and discussions en route to the OSCE Astana Summit 2010. The paper reviews the range of national positions on OSCE field operations and develops recommendations on how to preserve the OSCE field dimension in future. Suggestions are made with a view to possible thematic fields, formats, mandates and regional specifics.

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d) Policy Analysis: "Options for Strengthening the OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities (HCNM)"

The German Federal Foreign Office has commissioned CORE to research topics, regional aspects and the particular working tools of the OSCE High Commissioner on

National Minorities (HCNM). Following this request, CORE has produced an analysis based on HCNM publications since 2007 which largely reflects the expert opinions of representatives of the Office of the High Commissioner in The Hague. The paper looks especially into the initiatives and achievements of the current HCNM, Ambassador Knut Vollebaek. The paper's purpose is identifying areas for supporting the HCNM as one of the most efficient and indispensable OSCE institutions. The analysis ends with a number of recommendations on future HCNM activities.

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e) Networking Project with Visiting Fellows from Central Asia

From 4-29 August 2010, three researchers from Central Asia and Russia visited CORE and worked with Anna Kreikemeyer on a comparative analysis of different foreign and security policy patterns in Kazakhstan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan. The project was funded by the International Office of the Federal Ministry for Education and Research (BMBF). The main research interest was analysing the development of diversification in the policies of three case study countries. Deeper insight into the structures of national decision-making processes and better access to empirical data was able to be achieved with the help of local experts. The team consisted of Dr Raushan Serik, research fellow at the Kazakhstani Institute for Strategic Studies under the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan (KISI) in Almaty, Dr Rustam Makhmudov, Centre for Political Studies (CPS) in Tashkent and Dr Igor Proklov, expert on Turkmenistan from the Centre for Caucasian and Central Asian Studies at the CIS Institute in Moscow. Lena Kulipanova and Sebastian Schiek provided support to the project.

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f) Capacity-Building for the "OSCE Border Management Staff College" in Dushanbe

At the invitation of the OSCE Border Management Staff College (BMSC) in Dushanbe (Tajikistan), CORE cooperated on the development of the training. Diana Digol elaborated guidelines for an academic advisory board which she presented on 12 February 2010 at the Inaugural Meeting of the BMSC in the Vienna Hofburg. In February 2010, as well, the BMSC Course Director Wolfgang Maierhofer visited CORE and discussed further options for collaboration with Wolfgang Zellner, the Head of CORE, and with Diana Digol. The OSCE BMSC began its work in summer 2009.

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g) Research Competition for Staff of the National Assembly of Armenia, Organized by the OSCE Office in Yerevan

The OSCE Office in Yerevan (jointly with the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly) organized a competition for research papers among the parliamentary staff members of

the National Assembly of Armenia. The objective of the competition was to encourage and support research capacities within the National Assembly as well as to promote better awareness and understanding of modern practices and best models. Diana Digol was invited to serve as an advisor and academic reviewer. She reviewed and graded eight submitted papers and provided an individual appraisal of each research paper, advising on the possible distribution of awards.

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h) OSCE Central Asian Youth Network (CAYN) Seminar: “Modern Challenges to Security in CA,” OSCE Centre in Astana, June – September 2010

Diana Digol and Sebastian Schiek served as Academic Advisors within the OSCE Central Asian Youth Network (CAYN) seminar, a project organized by the OSCE Centre in Astana. This was a two-phase project for students enrolled in higher educational establishments in Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan. The OSCE Centre identified research topics on long-term Central Asian security challenges and divided the students into groups according to their interests. Both D. Digol and S. Schiek lectured and supervised a group working on a joint topic. At the end of the project, Digol’s group received one of the two top prizes – a trip to the OSCE headquarters in Vienna.

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3.2 Current Consultancy Projects

a) OSCE Depository Library and CORE Website

With the establishment of CORE, an OSCE Depository Library was set up within the IFSH Library with the support of the German Federal Foreign Office. Its current inventory includes CSCE/OSCE documents, both grey and published literature on the OSCE itself, and books with a focus on nation building, nationalism and majority-minority relationships in the OSCE countries. References to literature can be searched in the online catalogue of the Staats- und Universitätsbibliothek Hamburg (Campus Katalog): <https://kataloge.uni-hamburg.de/> and http://www.core-hamburg.de/CORE_English/services_libr_verz.htm. The library and documentation centre of IFSH/CORE compile three different bibliographies on OSCE-relevant publications:

- The bibliography of the OSCE Yearbook, which covers documents from the OSCE itself as well as articles and books on the OSCE.
- A quarterly bibliography with the latest OSCE-related publications: http://www.core-hamburg.de/CORE_english/services_biblio_select.htm
- A comprehensive bibliography with references to CSCE and OSCE documents and relevant articles and books, established in 1995 and regularly updated since then: http://www.core-hamburg.de/CORE_english/services_biblio.htm

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The CORE website (<http://www.core-hamburg.de>) has constantly updated information on the structure of CORE, its projects, staff, activities, and events. Not only can CORE Working Papers, CORE News (cf. 4.2), and OSCE bibliographies be downloaded, but the individual articles of all the OSCE Yearbooks from 1995 to 2008, of which there are more than 400, are also available to read online or be downloaded in full. A keyword search function is available to help readers find relevant articles. A regularly updated database with nearly 3,800 references to books and articles on the CSCE/OSCE and a comprehensive link database assist in finding general and OSCE specific information. The website also contains information on vacancies and internships at CORE.

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b) Post-Soviet Security Dialogue Network

For 2011, CORE is planning to establish a Post-Soviet Security Dialogue Network that connects basic research in the area of conflict studies and security policy with international networking and the promotion of young researchers. The foci are threats to peace and security in the Caucasus and Central Asia. Both regions are characterized by threats at different levels, which have the potential to interact and intensify each other, and by a lack of adequate security policies. The network will be dealing with these security problems on different levels and will try to confront the still-widespread international competition, which can also be observed in the academic field, with a new model of co-operation. Senior and young researchers from nine post-Soviet states are ready to co-operate with CORE in workshops, multinational working groups at CORE as well as internet-based training on a project website. CORE has applied to the International Office of the Federal Ministry for Education and Research (BMBF) for funding.

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4. Publications

4.1 OSCE Yearbook

The flagship CORE publication, the OSCE Yearbook has been published in English, German, and Russian since 1995. The IFSH produces the OSCE Yearbook in co-operation with retired Ambassador Jonathan Dean (Union of Concerned Scientists, Washington), Dr Pál Dunay (Geneva Centre for Security Policy), Prof. Adam Daniel Rotfeld (former Minister of Foreign Affairs of Poland), and Dr Andrei Zagorski (Moscow State Institute of International Relations/MGIMO). The editorial staff are based at the IFSH in Hamburg. Ursel Schlichting, editor-in-chief, is assisted in the tasks of editing and translating by Susanne Bund, Graeme Currie, Elena Kropatcheva, and Ina Shakhrai. In 2010, additional translation work was carried out by Mirko Guth, Madeleine Köhler, Peter Morley, Uwe Polley, and Sybille Reinke de Buitrago.

The German and English editions are published by Nomos in Baden-Baden, while the Russian edition is printed by Izdatelstvo "Prava Cheloveka" in Moscow. The German Federal Foreign Office funds the printing of the Yearbook and some of the staff costs

associated with its production. Additional funds are earmarked for the distribution of free copies to members of parliaments, foreign ministries, and OSCE institutions, including the Secretariat, and to universities, libraries, and other interested institutions. The OSCE Yearbook is used for teaching purposes at universities in CIS countries, at the OSCE Academy in Bishkek, at the MGIMO, and elsewhere. The OSCE Yearbook 2010, the 16th edition, is currently in preparation and will be published in winter 2010/11, with the German edition following in summer 2011. The Russian edition of the OSCE Yearbook 2009 will also be published in winter 2010/2011. The entire texts of all previous editions of the OSCE Yearbook in English (up to 2008) and German (up to 2007) are available to read or download at the CORE website: <http://core-hamburg.de>.

The contributions to the OSCE Yearbook 2010 provide a wide-ranging and deeply probing insight into the world's largest regional security organization and the issues that have concerned it in the last twelve months. The opening section of the OSCE Yearbook 2010, "The OSCE and European Security", gathers together a selection of eminent opinions on the current state of European security and the role of the OSCE. Andrei Zagorski, co-editor of the OSCE Yearbook, and Wolfgang Zellner, the Head of CORE, analyses the import of the OSCE's eagerly awaited Astana Summit, while Marcel Peško, Slovakia's Ambassador to the International Organizations in Vienna, Vladimir I. Voronkov, Director of the Department for European Co-operation, Russian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Graeme Herd and Pál Dunay from the Geneva Centre for Security Policy and Rachel S. Salzman from the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace discuss the Corfu Process, the proposed Treaty on European Security, and the future of Euro-Atlantic security in general from a variety of perspectives. Ambassador Przemysław Grudziński, Head of the Polish Mission to the OSCE, advocates a new strategic framework for European security, the "Contract 2015", focusing on the adaptation of international institutions and the establishment of a cooperative security system in the entire Euro-Atlantic and Eurasian space, and including, in particular, the integration of Russia.

In the year of Kazakhstan's landmark OSCE Chairmanship, the OSCE Yearbook 2010 turns its spotlight on Central Asia with a number of contributions on issues and states in the region. This year's foreword has been provided by the 2010 Chairperson-in-Office, Kazakhstan's Secretary of State and Foreign Minister, Kanat Saudabayev. Ailuna R. Utegenova from Al-Farabi Kazakh National University in Kazakhstan looks at that country's long-term strategy for national development. Thomas Kunze and Lina Gronau from the Konrad Adenauer Foundation in Tashkent ask why Kyrgyzstan has failed to achieve stability since the "Tulip Revolution". Longstanding CORE Central Asia expert Arne C. Seifert and Esen Usabaliev, Director of the "Prudent Solutions" research centre in Bishkek, analyse relations between the state and Muslim communities in Central Asia, and Kyrgyzstan, in particular, while Arne C. Seifert, together with Abdullo Rahnomo from the Centre for Strategic Research in Dushanbe contribute a discussion of political Islam in Tajikistan. Also in this special-focus section, Professor Leonid Golovko from Moscow State University analyses possibilities for legal reform in Central Asia; Beate Eschment from the Research Center for East European Studies in Bremen writes on Kazakhstan's nationalities policy and the situation of national minorities; while Professor Tim Epkenhans from the University of Freiburg, a former director of the OSCE Academy in Bishkek, considers the role of Islam in the security discourse of the Central Asian states.

In the section on the OSCE participating States, Oleh Protsyk from the European Centre for Minority Issues in Flensburg considers political developments in Ukraine following the 2010 presidential elections, while Slovenia's Ambassador to the OSCE, Stanislav Raščan, surveys relations between Slovenia and the OSCE.

In the area of conflict prevention and dispute settlement, Herbert Salber and Alice Ackermann from the OSCE's Conflict Prevention Centre discuss how the Corfu Process may affect the OSCE's conflict prevention activities; Silvia Stöber, Caucasus expert at Germany's ARD broadcasting network, asks what remains of the OSCE Mission to Georgia; and CORE's Deputy Head, Frank Evers, undertakes a detailed analysis of the situation in Ukraine and, in particular, Crimea.

Turning to the work of the OSCE in the three dimensions of security, Jens-Hagen Eschenbächer and Bernhard Knoll from the OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights consider the value of observing elections in longstanding democracies; Sarah Riese, Nora Roehner, and Christoph Zuercher from the Free University of Berlin examine post-conflict democratization in Bosnia-Herzegovina, Kosovo, and Macedonia; Roland Bless, the Director of the Office of the OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media, asks how governments can combat terrorism while protecting freedom of the media; Natalie Sabanadze presents the Bolzano/Bozen Recommendations on National Minorities; and Patrice Dreiski, an OSCE Special Advisor on the second dimension, discusses the emerging topic of energy security.

In the section on the OSCE's internal organization, CORE stalwart Kurt P. Tudyka provides a thoroughgoing review of the Greek OSCE Chairmanship, while Murat Laumulin from the Kazakhstan Institute for Strategic Studies analyses the challenges facing Kazakhstan as Chair of the OSCE in 2010.

Finally, there are three contributions with a focus on the OSCE's external relations: Nikolai Bordyuzha, Secretary General of the Collective Security Treaty Organization, provides an insight into his organization; Alice Ackermann, John Crosby, Joop de Haan, and Erik Falkehed from the OSCE Conflict Prevention Centre discuss the OSCE's attempts to establish a mediation-support capacity; and Monika Wohlfeld, German Chair for Peace Studies and Conflict Prevention at the Mediterranean Diplomatic Academy in Malta, assesses the OSCE's relations with its Mediterranean Partners for a Co-operation.

As always, the OSCE Yearbook includes extensive annexes comprising facts and figures on all 56 participating States, a list of recent conferences, meetings, and events, and a selected bibliography of current literature. The OSCE Yearbook is intended for politicians, policy-makers, and decision-makers at all levels, OSCE staff, particularly in the OSCE missions, students and researchers, journalists, and the general public. The publisher's goal is to contribute to the political and academic discussion of European security in national, regional, and international contexts and to create links between academic circles, political practice, and the public. Although the Yearbook is not an official OSCE publication, it is strongly supported by the Organization, and particularly by the Secretariat in Vienna.

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4.2 Other Publications

During 2010, three monographs were published by current and former CORE staff members:

- Digol, Diana, *Emerging Diplomatic Elites in Post-communist Europe: Analysis of Diplomats*, Saarbrücken 2010.
- Kropatcheva, Elena, *Russia's Ukraine Policy against the Background of Russian-Western Competition*, Baden-Baden 2010.
- Vetterlein, Merle, *Konfliktregulierung durch power-sharing Modelle: das Fallbeispiel der Republik Makedonien*, Baden-Baden 2010.

CORE Working Papers comprise CORE research reports, policy papers and other texts. They are available both in printed and digital form (on the internet at: http://core-hamburg.de/CORE_English/pub_workingpapers.htm). Subscriptions to the e-mail version are available free of charge. In 2010, the following working papers were published:

- Evers, Frank, *OSCE Efforts to Promote the Rule of Law. History, Structures, Survey*, Hamburg 2010 (CORE Working Paper 20).
- Evers, Frank, *Balancing by Cross-Linking. Renewed Dialogue on the OSCE Economic and Environmental Dimension*, Hamburg 2010 (CORE Working Paper 21).

The electronic newsletter *CORE News* provides information on current CORE activities and events. It can be downloaded from the CORE website, at: http://core-hamburg.de/CORE_English/pub_news.htm. Subscriptions, which are free of charge, may be taken out by sending an e-mail to core@ifsh.de.

5. Teaching

5.1 Master of Peace and Security Studies

Within the framework of the cooperation network "Peace Research and Security Policy", under the supervision of the IFSH, a postgraduate Master's Programme on Peace and Security Studies (MPS) was initiated at the University of Hamburg in 2002. This programme is both practical and interdisciplinary. It combines structured teaching with a learning-by-doing approach to help students acquire the skills needed to work in relevant fields. The course teaches the methods and findings of peace studies and prepares participants for careers in research or international organizations.

Members of the cooperation network are: the University of Hamburg (several faculties), the Helmut Schmidt University – the University of the Federal Armed Forces Hamburg (HSU, several chairs), the Institute for Peace Research and Security Policy at the University of Hamburg (IFSH), the Berghof Research Center for Constructive Conflict Management, the Bonn International Center for Conversion (BICC), the Bundeswehr Command and Staff College, the Carl Friedrich von Weizsäcker Centre for Science and Peace Research (ZNF), the Centre for European Peace and Security Studies (ZEUS), the Center for International Peace Operations (ZIF), the Centre for OSCE Research (CORE), the German Institute of Global and Area Studies (GIGA), the Institute for Development and Peace, the Institute for International Law of Peace and Armed Conflict, the Institute for Theology and Peace, the International Institute for Politics and Economy/House Rissen, the

Interdisciplinary Research Group on Disarmament, Arms Control and Risk Technologies (IFAR), the Peace Research Institute Frankfurt (PRIF), and the Protestant Institute for Interdisciplinary Research (FEST).

The programme is implemented in close cooperation with the institutions mentioned above. During the second semester, the students are divided among these institutes, where they participate in research and write their Master's theses. The 2009/2010 course had 28 participants, 14 of whom came from abroad. Upon completion of the programme, the Master's diploma is certified by the University of Hamburg.

CORE staff members contributed to the MPS 2009/2010 teaching programme: Anna Kreikemeyer offered an exercise on "Academic Writing", Elena Kulipanova gave a one-day seminar on "International Politics in Central Asia", and Elena Kropatcheva one on "Internal Challenges for the Security of the Russian Federation". Wolfgang Zellner offered a seminar on "European Security Policy: OSCE" and, together with Götz Neuneck, another one on "Disarmament and Arms Control in Europe: Status quo and Recent Developments".

Further information: <http://www.ifsh.de>

5.2 European Master's Degree in Human Rights and Democratisation

In 2010, CORE has again contributed to the programme of the European Master's Degree in Human Rights and Democratisation (E.MA) and hosted one student in her second semester. Anna Kreikemeyer served as advisor for her master's thesis.

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5.3 PhD Programme

In 2010, three PhD students worked on their dissertations at CORE. One has interrupted her dissertation to take a position with an international organization. CORE will continue to support the applications of individual PhD students to various sponsoring bodies.

6. Inter-Institutional Co-operation and Conferences

6.1 Co-operation and Guests

On 14-20 February 2010, Frank Evers participated in Kyiv (Ukraine) and Chisinau (Moldova) in the selection process of joint scholarship programs of the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) and the Open Society Foundation for Ukrainian and Moldovan students and post-graduates.

On 24 February 2010, Wolfgang Zellner gave a presentation on “The Code of Conduct on Politico-Military Aspects of Security and its possible Contribution to the Corfu Process” at the OSCE Forum for Security Co-operation.

On 1/2 March 2010, Frank Evers participated in Brussels in an expert meeting of Ukrainian and international academicians, journalists and NGO representatives on current developments in Ukraine and Crimea.

On 9 March and on 23 September 2010, Anna Kreikemeyer hosted two visits of Abdulaziz Abduganiev, First Secretary of the Embassy of the Republic of Uzbekistan in Berlin.

Diana Digol participated in the OSCE/ODIHR election assessment mission for the presidential elections in Austria on 25 April 2010.

On 10-12 May 2010, Frank Evers and Wolfgang Zellner visited Vienna, where they met with OSCE officials and heads of delegations to the OSCE. Discussed at the meetings were specifics of the Corfu process as well as the OSCE second dimension.

On 24-26 May 2010, Frank Evers participated in the 18th OSCE Economic and Environmental Forum in Prague dedicated this year to "Promoting good governance at border crossings, improving the security of land transportation and facilitating international transport by road and rail in the OSCE region".

On 21-23 June 2010, Frank Evers and Wolfgang Zellner visited Vienna to conduct meetings with OSCE officials and heads and representatives of national delegations to the OSCE. Discussed at the meetings were questions of the OSCE Corfu process.

On 8/9 July 2010, Wolfgang Zellner participated in the second informal round table “Challenges and Opportunities in Preparation for Lithuania’s OSCE Chairmanship in 2011”, Vilnius/Lithuania.

From 4-29 August 2010, three visiting scholars stayed at CORE and worked with Anna Kreikemeyer on Central Asia issues: Dr Rustam Makhmudov, Centre for Political Studies (CPS) in Tashkent; Dr Igor Proklov, expert on Turkmenistan, research fellow, Centre for Caucasian and Central Asian Studies at the CIS Institute in Moscow; and Dr Raushan Serik, research fellow at the Kazakhstani Institute for Strategic Studies under the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan (KISI) in Almaty.

On 9/10 September 2010, Wolfgang Zellner participated in the 2nd Chambésy Roundtable, jointly organized by the Swiss Federal Department of Foreign Affairs and

the Geneva Centre for Security Policy, and gave an introduction to session V “OSCE Crisis Prevention: Cases and Instruments”.

On 22 September 2010, Wolfgang Zellner delivered the keynote speech in Minsk at the OSCE Regional Seminar on the Implementation of the OSCE Code of Conduct on Politico-Military Aspects of Security in Eastern Europe.

On 12/13 October 2010, Wolfgang Zellner lectured in Chisinau and Tiraspol (Moldova) on “The Way to the Astana Summit. The Contribution of the OSCE to the European Security Dialogue” within the framework of a series of lectures organized by the OSCE Mission to Moldova.

On 27/28 October 2010, Frank Evers and Wolfgang Zellner visited Vienna to conduct meetings with OSCE officials and heads of national delegations to the OSCE. Discussed at the meetings were preparations for the OSCE Astana Summit in December 2010 and the future of OSCE field operations.

On 1 November 2010, Wolfgang Zellner gave a presentation on “A View on the OSCE Summit” at the Foreign Policy Working Group of the Social Democrat faction in the German Bundestag, Berlin.

On 12/13 December 2010, Wolfgang Zellner participated in the “OSCE Vienna Roundtable”, organized by the OSCE Secretary General, and gave an introductory presentation on transnational threats in Central Asia.

6.2 Conferences Organized by CORE

a) Workshop “OSCE Rule-of-Law Assistance” Jointly Conducted by CORE and the German Federal Foreign Office

On 25/26 March 2010, CORE and the German Federal Foreign Office jointly conducted a workshop on OSCE rule-of-law assistance at the Vienna Hofburg. The workshop focused on the independence of the judiciary and administrative justice reforms in three regions - Eastern Europe, the South Caucasus and Central Asia. The workshop had more than 30 participants including high-ranking government officials from Belarus, Georgia, Russia, Turkmenistan, Ukraine and Uzbekistan, OSCE rule-of-law officers from the field, representatives of the Kazakh Chairmanship and the OSCE Troika, of ODIHR, the Venice Commission of the Council of Europe, and from think tanks in Germany and elsewhere. During the two days, discussions were held in a remarkably lively atmosphere on expectations vis-à-vis OSCE rule-of-law assistance, best practices and the specific requirements of OSCE fieldwork. The workshop was a reflective contribution to the ongoing OSCE dialogue on common European values.

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- b) *Workshop “Assessment of the Astana Summit and the Way Ahead” Jointly Organized by CORE, the Polish Institute for International Affairs (PISM), the Moscow State Institute for International Relations (MGIMO), and the Three Heads of the Permanent Representations of Germany, Poland and the Russian Federation to the OSCE*

On 8 December 2010, CORE, PISM and MGIMO, together with the OSCE ambassadors of their countries, conducted a workshop in Vienna on the results of the Astana Summit and the way ahead. The summit was just six days old and a significant failure, the event format new: Thus, it was no surprise that the large meeting room of the Diplomatic Academy was crowded. Three introductory presentations were given by the former Polish Foreign Minister Adam Daniel Rotfeld (PISM), Andrei Zagorski for MGIMO and Wolfgang Zellner for CORE with former Austrian Foreign Minister Ursula Plassnik acting as a moderator. A very controversial and open two-hour discussion on almost all aspects of the OSCE’s future followed.

6.3 Conferences Attended and Lectures Given by CORE Staff

During 2010, CORE staff members attended almost 50 conferences and workshops (see also 6.1) where they acted as presenters and/or rapporteurs.

Diana Digol

- Visited the seminar “The Dos and Don’ts of Intervention” organized by the Salzburg Global Seminar, Salzburg, 4-7 June 2010.
- Participated in the International Electoral Processes & Administration Conference 2010 “The Role of Technology in Raising Standards”, Brussels, 14-16 July 2010.
- Took part, as an E.MA contact point for the IFSH, in the Diplomatic Conference “The 2011 Review of the Human Rights Council”, organized by the European Inter-University Centre for Human Rights and Democratisation, Venice, 16/17 July 2010.
- Organized and chaired the panel “Foreign Policy in Central Asia in a Eurasian Context” and gave a presentation on the same panel on “Russia’s Foreign Policy towards Central Asia: New patterns” at the VIII World Congress of the International Council for Central and East European Studies, Stockholm, 26-31 July 2010.

Frank Evers

- Presented on “Kazakhstan’s OSCE Chairmanship: Conditionalities, Accomplishments, Shortcomings” at a panel discussion of the German Association for East European Studies and the European Academy in Berlin titled “The OSCE Chairmanship of Kazakhstan: The Functioning of Transferring Norms via the OSCE”, Berlin, 13 October 2010.
- Spoke on “Articulating a Vision. Acting across Dimensions” at the first Economic and Environmental Dimension Session of the 2010 OSCE Review Conference “From Bonn to Maastricht and Beyond: Adapting the Economic and Environmental Dimension to Changing Challenges”, Vienna, 19 October 2010.
- Delivered a speech on “Ukraine’s Foreign Policy Choices vis-à-vis Domestic Challenges” at the 4th Kiev Security Forum of the Open Ukraine Foundation and Chatham House, Kiev (Ukraine), 12 November 2010.

Anna Kreikemeyer

- Participated in the workshop “Competence in the Research Field of Interdisciplinary Peace and Conflict Research in the Metropolitan Area of Hamburg” and presented the projects “Diversification or Restoration? A Comparative Analysis of Kazakhstani, Turkmen and Uzbek Foreign and Security Policies” and „Ways out of Violence. Resource Conflicts in Eurasia”, Hamburg, 12 February 2010.
- Gave a lecture in the Museum of Boizenburg/Elbe on “Security Risks in Central Asia”, 23 April 2010.
- Participated in the 3rd GCSP - OSCE Academy – Nupi – Nesa Seminar “Central Asia 2010” at the OSCE Academy in Bishkek and presented a paper on the Kazakhstani OSCE Chairmanship 2010, 15-17 September 2010.

Elena Kropatcheva

- Made a presentation on “Rule of Law in Ukraine and Russia. A Comparative Analysis” at the workshop “OSCE Rule-of-Law Assistance”, jointly conducted by CORE and the German Federal Foreign Office, Vienna, 25/26 March 2010.
- Lectured on “Russia and the EU Energy Dilemmas” and participated in a panel discussion at the seminar “Russia, Poland and Europe – Opponents or Partners?”, organized by the German-Polish Society, Hannover, 17 April 2010.
- Spoke on “Russia's Policy within and in Relation to European and Euro-Atlantic Institutions: Patterns of (In-)Consistence” on the panel “Russia’s Relations with the West: New Views on an old Theme” at the VIII World Congress of the International Council for Central and East European Studies (ICCEES), Stockholm, 26-31 July 2010.
- Presented “Ukraine’s Foreign Policy Choices and Financial Crisis” at the workshop “Eastern Europe and the Crisis,” organized by the Department of Politics, Glasgow University, 13-14 May 2010.
- Participated in the workshop “Security in the Former Soviet Space,” organized by the British International Studies Association’s (BISA) Working Group on Russian and Eurasian Security Launch, King’s College, London, 16 September 2010.
- Delivered a presentation on “The Western Perception of Russia’s Role in European Security: What Does Russia Want?” at the session “Security: National, Regional, International and Global Dimensions: Acute Problems of Arms Control and Non-Dissemination of WMD” of the VI Russian International Studies Association (RISA) Convention “Russia and the World after the Global Crisis: New Challenges, New opportunities?”, MGIMO University, Moscow, 24/25 September 2010.

Ulrich Kuehn

- Spoke on conventional arms control at the 18th Partnership for Peace International Research Seminar “The Indivisibility of Euro-Atlantic Security“, organized by the NATO Defence College Rome in cooperation with the Austrian Ministry of Defence and Sports, Vienna, 5 February 2010.
- Gave two lectures on the politico-military dimension of the OSCE, at the 14th OSCE Summer Academy in Stadtschlaining, organized by the Austrian Study Center for Peace and Conflict Resolution (ASPR) together with the Diplomatic Academy of Vienna under the auspices of the OSCE, 23 June 2010.

Elena Kulipanova

- Organized the panel on “Regional Cooperation in Central Asia: Current State and Future Prospects“ and presented a paper on “Functional Co-operation in Central Asia: A Case of Asymmetrical Interdependence?” at the VIII World Congress of the International Council for Central and East European Studies, Stockholm, 26-31 July 2010.

Sebastian Schiek

- Gave a presentation on “Neo-patrimonialism, Governance and Administration in Kazakhstan” at the Research School of Conflict and Development at the University of Magdeburg, 31 March 2010.
- Lectured on Fritz Scharpf’s writings on “hierarchical direction” at the Academy of Public Administration in Astana, Kazakhstan, 28 May 2010.
- Gave a presentation on security perceptions in Central Asia at the DAAD summer school in Astana, Kazakhstan, 17 June 2010.
- Presented a paper based on his PhD research at the “Junge Osteuropa Experten” conference in Berlin, 23 October 2010.
- Gave a lecture on “Authority and Public Administration in Non-Western Countries” at the Institute for Political Science, University of Hamburg, 6 November 2010.

Arne Seifert

- Gave a presentation on „The Political Islam in Central Asia and Europe” at the Near East Forum, Berlin, 17 March 2010.
- Presented on “Towards a New Framework for Afghanistan” at a meeting of the working group “Darmstädter Signal”, Berlin, 17 April 2010.
- Gave an introduction for the 2nd meeting of the project group “On Methodological Issues in Analysing Political Processes in Central Asia” of the Rosa Luxemburg Foundation, Moscow, 1 May 2010.
- Gave a lecture and participated in a panel discussion on “Achieving Peace in Afghanistan by War or Diplomatic Solutions?” at the Drei-Königskirche, Dresden, 1 August 2010.
- Spoke on “German Foreign Policy in the Near East. The Foreign Policy of the GDR in the Near East until 1990 – Historical Starting Positions”, on a panel discussion with Prof. Udo Steinbach and Israeli Ambassador ret. Avi Primor, organized by “Helle Panke”, Potsdam, 2-3 December 2010.
- Lectured on “Theses on Rethinking the Eurasian Space” at the conference “Perspectives of a Common Eurasian Space – Potentials, Challenges, Joint Interests, Tasks”, jointly organized by the Institute for Strategic Studies under the President of the Republic of Tajikistan and the Rosa Luxemburg Foundation, Dushanbe, 7 December 2010.

Kurt P. Tudyka

- Lectured on “Auf der Suche nach dem “Westen”: Begriff und Realität” [In Search of the „West“. Concept and Reality], Kunstverein Bonn, Bad Godesberg, 15 November 2010.
- Is offering a seminar on „Regional Conflicts and Global Threats“ at the Centre for Peace Research of the University of Klagenfurt in the winter term 2010/2011.

Wolfgang Zellner

- Gave a lecture on “The OSCE and Its Comprehensive Concept of Security” for a delegation of the Union of South American States (UNASUR) on an information trip on Security- and Confidence-Building Measures, organized by the German Federal Foreign Office, Berlin, 22 February 2010.
- Chaired a working group at the conference “European Security Dialogue and Arms Control”, jointly organized by the German Federal Foreign Office and the George C. Marshall European Center for Security Studies, Berlin, 28-30 April 2010.
- Gave a presentation on “The OSCE as a Security Policy Body in Europe – Competencies, Abilities and Missions” at a security policy seminar organized by the Kommando Operative Führung of the German armed forces, Weiler/Germany, 15 July 2010.
- Lectured on “The European Security Dialogue” at the CIG Focus OSCE Meeting 2010, organized the Graduate Institute, Geneva, 17/18 September 2010.
- Made framing remarks in session 2 “How do we improve political commitment in crisis management in Europe?” at the EastWest Institute’s Eminent Persons Group “Plus” second meeting on Euro-Atlantic issues, Ditchley Park/United Kingdom, 24-26 September 2010.

7. Personnel and Budget

During 2010, the Head of CORE managed a staff, which includes six researchers (cf. Annex 1: CORE staff as of 1 December 2010). In addition, two staff members (one senior researcher/editor, one translator/editor) were responsible for publishing the OSCE Yearbook and another for documentation and information. Three PhD students worked on their dissertation projects. The permanent staff is supported by four student research assistants and translators. In the course of the year, three students completed their internships, which, on average, lasted for around six weeks (<http://www.core-hamburg.de/english/staff/internship>).

Less than half of the CORE budget is financed through the IFSH budget. Project financing covers the larger part of expenditures. In the year 2010, CORE projects – including PhD projects – were funded by the German Federal Foreign Office, the Federal Ministry for Education and Science, the OSCE Offices in Minsk and in Tajikistan, the Friedrich Ebert Foundation, and the German Academic Exchange Service together with the Open Society Institute.

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Annex 2: Publications by CORE Staff Members in 2010

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- Emerging Diplomatic Elites in Post-communist Europe: Analysis of Diplomats, Saarbrücken 2010.
- Book review of: Stephen White/Richard Sakwa/Henry E. Hale (eds), *Developments in Russian Politics* 7, Houndmills 2010, in: *Europe-Asia Studies Journal*, vol. 62 (2010), no. 8.
- Book review of: Emilian Kavalski (ed.), *Stable Outside, Fragile Inside? Post-Soviet Statehood in Central Asia*. *Post-Soviet Politics*, Aldershot 2010, in: *Europe-Asia Studies Journal*, vol. 62 (2010), no. 10.

Evers, Frank:

- Damaged Prospects/Damaged Dialogue in Ukraine and Crimea: The Current Situation in Ukraine and Future Co-operation with the OSCE, in: IFSH (ed.), *OSCE Yearbook 2010*, Baden-Baden 2011 (forthcoming).
- Articulating a Vision. Acting across Dimensions: Review of the Economic and Environmental Dimension, featured article of the second-dimension website of the 2010 OSCE Review Conference in Vienna, 18-26 October 2010, at: http://www.osce.org/conferences/revcon_2_2010.html?page=47121.
- Balancing by Cross-Linking. Renewed Dialogue on the OSCE Economic and Environmental Dimension, Hamburg 2010 (CORE Working Paper 21).
- OSCE Efforts to Promote the Rule of Law. History, Structures, Survey, Hamburg 2010 (CORE Working Paper 20).

Kreikemeyer, Anna:

- Zwischen internationalem Elan und innenpolitischer Beharrung, *Der kasachstanische OSZE-Vorsitz* 2010, in: *Zentralasienanalysen*, Berlin 2010, online available at: <http://www.laender-analysen.de/zentralasien> (forthcoming).
- Trust in a traditional, tolerant and transparent multi level game? The Kazakhstani OSCE Chairmanship 2010, in: OSCE Academy/Geneva Centre for Security Policy (eds), *Security Policy Brief No. 3*, Bishkek November 2010, at: <http://osce-academy-net/uploads/docs/Anna-Kreikemeyer.pdf>.

Kropatcheva, Elena:

- Russia's Ukraine Policy against the Background of Russian-Western Competition, Baden-Baden 2010.
- Foreword by Editor, in: 'Nadlezhashee upravlenie v svetskikh gosudarstvakh s bolshinstvom musulmanskogo naseleniya. Mat-ly mezhdunarodnogo kruglogo stola, Bishkek, 15-16 November 2008' [Good Governance in Secular States with the Muslim Majority, materials of the international workshop, Bishkek, 15-16 November 2008], Bishkek 2010, pp. 14-16.

Kuehn, Ulrich:

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