

# **CORE Annual Report 2016**

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## Foreword

The year 2016 was largely dominated by the German OSCE Chairmanship and related activities by CORE. The Centre supported the Chairmanship efforts by participating in a number of brainstorming events and workshops. In addition, a CORE team, led by Frank Evers, elaborated a bi-weekly media survey on “Comments in Russian-language internet media on issues related to the OSCE and the German 2016 OSCE Chairmanship”.

Even more efforts were invested in jumpstarting the OSCE Network of Think Tanks and Academic Institutions. This began with the 2<sup>nd</sup> Plenary Meeting of the OSCE Network in Hamburg on 24 February 2016 that brought together 40 of the then 54 member institutions. Participants discussed two key projects for 2016, elected the Network’s Steering Committee and re-elected Wolfgang Zellner for a second term as Co-ordinator. The day was concluded with a public panel discussion among representatives of the Network and the Special Representative of the Federal Government for the German OSCE Chairmanship, Gernot Erler.

The two projects were “Protracted Conflicts in the OSCE Region: Innovative Approaches for Co-operation in the Conflict Zones”, led by Ambassador Philip Remler, and “European Security – Challenges at the Societal Level”, led by Wolfgang Zellner. In the framework of these projects, three workshops were conducted in Geneva, Moscow and Vienna and two final reports with recommendations were produced and presented at the margins of the Ministerial Council Meeting in December 2016 in Hamburg. At the same time, the presence of so many Network members in Hamburg was used to discuss the Network’s activities in 2017.

Parallel to this, CORE continued its scientific activities with a clear focus on Central Asia. The key effort was certainly the preparation by Anna Kreikemeyer and Esther Somfalvy of the EU Horizon 2020 application, “European Union – Central Asia Research Academies Network”, involving 17 partners from a range of EU and all of the Central Asian countries with the IFSH serving as the co-ordinator. Another 2016 highlight was the project “Peace Research in Europe and Eurasia”, led by Anna Kreikemeyer, that organized two key events – a teachers’ workshop at Erevan State University in September and the 3<sup>rd</sup> Hamburg Central Asia Day on 17/18 November that discussed “Prospects for Peace Research in Central Asia. Between Discourses of Danger, Normative Divides and Global Challenges”. As a third key activity, Arne Seifert, together with Frank Evers, prepared a project on radicalization prevention in Central Asia.

Much of what was done in 2016 would not have been possible without the generous support of the German Federal Foreign Office. CORE has profited greatly from this extremely productive relationship. We are very grateful for the financial assistance CORE has received, as well as for the fruitful exchanges we have had with the Foreign Office staff, especially with the OSCE Task Force and with the Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Germany to the OSCE. In the German Chairmanship year 2016, this exchange became more dense than ever before.

CORE is also grateful to all other donors – the German Foundation for Peace Research, the Austrian Federal Ministry for Europe, Integration and Foreign Affairs, the Foreign Ministry of Finland, the Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg, the Irish Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, the Swiss Federal Department of Foreign Affairs, the Friedrich Ebert Foundation and the German Academic Exchange Service – for their valuable contributions, as well as for the many in-depth discussions we enjoyed having with them.

Wolfgang Zellner (Head of CORE)

## 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). It was founded in January 2000 in the presence of German Federal President Johannes Rau and OSCE Secretary General Jan Kubis. CORE is headed by Dr Wolfgang Zellner.

The IFSH, established in 1971 as a civil-law foundation, analyzes threats to peace and international security, following a policy-oriented approach. Currently, the IFSH has about 50 employees. Its Acting Co-directors are Prof. Dr Götz Neuneck and Dr Wolfgang Zellner.

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, transnational risks and threats as well as aspects of global governance. From its inception, the IFSH 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 the 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. CORE focuses on the following:

- OSCE activities related to crisis prevention, conflict resolution, and peace building.
- OSCE contributions to a co-operative security regime in Europe with the ultimate goal of a Euro-Atlantic and Eurasian Security Community through, among other strategies, 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 is concerned with the transition processes and security issues in Eastern Europe, the Caucasus and Central Asia. CORE was among the founders of the OSCE Network of Think Tanks and Academic Institutions in 2013 and has taken on a co-ordinating role in it.

CORE strives to maintain an international outlook. 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. Current Research Projects

Ongoing research at CORE focuses on a broad variety of topics. Subjects of research include Russia's engagement within multilateral governmental security frameworks, peace research in Europe and Central Asia, an EU Horizon 2020 project on an EU-Central Asia Research Academies Network, and other projects related to Central Asia.

#### *a) Multilateralism Russian Style – Why and How Russia Engages with Multilateral Governmental Frameworks in the Area of European and Eurasian Security*

The question which lies at the centre of this project is what Russia is doing in security-related, multilateral, international governmental organizations (IGOs) (CSCE/OSCE, CSTO, NRC, and UNSC). While the relationship between the US and multilateral institutions has been thoroughly examined, comprehensive theory-based studies have been conducted in recent years on the EU's participation in multilateral institutions, and even China's engagement with multilateral IGOs has been researched, there is considerably less known about Russia's "multilateralism." This project is built upon the knowledge of state-IGO relations, "multilateralism" and Russian foreign policy studies. It will analyze why Russia chooses certain IGOs to engage with, how it engages with them and what goals it wants to achieve through this engagement. Neoclassical realism will be used to explain variations in Russian foreign policy. The project is conditioned upon funding. Application for funding will be submitted to the German Research Foundation (DFG) in 2017.

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Kropatcheva, Elena. 2016. "Russia and the Collective Security Treaty Organisation: Multilateral Policy or Unilateral Ambitions?" *Europe-Asia Studies* 68 (9): 1526-1552. doi:10.1080/09668136.2016.1238878.

Kropatcheva, Elena. 2016. "The EU's policy of democracy promotion and Ukraine's bumpy path to the Association Agreement – amidst a major crisis in Europe." In *European Engagement under Review: Exporting Values, Rules, and Practices to the Post-Soviet Space*, edited by Vera Axyonova, 11–40. Stuttgart: ibidem.

#### *b) Peace Research in Europe and Eurasia*

Peace and conflict studies that have gradually developed in Northern Europe and in the U.S. since the 1960s have merely been an imported product of external actors that only partially bear fruit. Literature on peace research issues is still written mostly in English by foreign experts and hardly reaches local discourses. An academic dialogue on new perspectives for joint peace studies requires common learning in Europe and Eurasia (post-Soviet space and bordering/neighbouring states) around the key question: Is it possible to work jointly on the basis/fundamentals of common peace research and how could this look both conceptually and practically? This research and academic teaching project consists of three components:

- a. Funded by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), Anna Kreikemeyer managed a project for co-operative development of a peace research concept with academic teachers and students from four post-Soviet states (Armenia, Georgia, Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan). In May 2016, she organized a preparatory teacher's workshop at Erevan State University. In September 2016, the teachers held a summer school with 15 PhD students and graduates from the participating states at Osh State University in South Kyrgyzstan. In autumn 2016, two visiting fellows from the partner universities in Erevan and Osh stayed at IFSH to further develop the overall concept of the project.
- b. The second component of this project was the organization of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Central Asia Day at IFSH on "Prospects for Peace Research in Central Asia. Between Discourses of Danger, Normative Divides and Global Challenges" (17/18 November 2016), which was funded by the German Foundation for Peace Research. Here, eight participants from four Central Asian countries and 16 from five European countries as well as 25 guests from both regions took part.
- c. The third component is an ongoing publication project on "The productivity of concepts of hybridity for peace strategies in the era of globalization (working title)".

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Kreikemeyer, Anna. Forthcoming. "Framing "Everyday communal peace" in Jabbor Rasulov, Tajikistan." In *Conflict Management after Empire in Eurasia: Beyond the Liberal Peace*, edited by John Heathershaw, Shairbek Juraev, and Catherine C. Owen. London: Rowman & Littlefield.

c) *Coexistence between Secular State and Islamic Actors in Tajikistan: Barriers to the Secular-Islamic Dialogue (1997-2014)*

Since October 2012, Nodira Aminova from Tajikistan, has been working on a PhD thesis, funded by the DAAD. It aims at an in-depth analysis of the dialogue between the secular state and the moderate Islamist actors in Tajikistan since the end of the Tajik Civil War. The main question is: "What constitutes barriers to the secular-Islamic dialogue in Tajikistan?" Methodologically, the study approaches the research question with the help of a congruence method. This method enables one to look at the barriers to the secular-Islamic dialogue from five different conceptual points of view: clash of civilizations, neopatrimonialism, authoritarianism, conflict transformation and state-society approach. These conceptual frameworks are applied to the case study independently from each other. This allows for an explanation of the barriers to the secular-Islamic dialogue from different perspectives. The aim of this method is to enrich the range of explanations for the failure of the dialogue since the end of the civil war. The thesis can profit from CORE's ten years of experience in mediating and studying this dialogue in Tajikistan, in particular, and in Central Asia, in general.

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*d) Foreign and Security Policy of Tajikistan and Uzbekistan towards Afghanistan: Common Structures, Varying Outcomes*

In October 2013, Azamjon Isabaev from Uzbekistan started working on a PhD thesis funded by the DAAD. The dissertation aims at a comparative investigation of Tajikistan's and Uzbekistan's policies towards Afghanistan. The research is based on the assumption that these two Central Asian states share an array of commonalities – borders, historical and cultural background and co-ethnicities – with each other. They share the same sort of commonalities (except the Soviet past) vis-à-vis Afghanistan as well. Interestingly, however, despite such commonalities, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan practice rather different policies toward Afghanistan: a more open and closer Tajik-Afghan relationship contrasts with a quite restrictive and closed Uzbek approach to Afghanistan. Hence, the research raises the question of why such variations occur (or how they are possible) given the basic structures that Tajikistan and Uzbekistan have in common. Using several theories (Neoclassical Realism, Regional Security Complex Theory, Third Worldism and, to some extent, Role Theory) the research carries out two “synergies”: basically, it combines rationalist and constructivist approaches and, analytically, unit- and regional level analyses (without ignoring the international level). Methodologically, the research develops within the “most-similar-system design”, that is, it compares two cases with identical independent, but varying dependent variables. Therefore, it aims to explore certain intervening variables (especially such as ‘perceptions’), which ultimately lead to those variations. Research methods include analysis of primary and secondary literature, as well as semi-structured interviews with local experts.

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*e) EU-Central Asian Research Academies Network (EUCARAN)*

This planned project aims to establish a network of researchers by facilitating joint research projects of scholars from the EU and Central Asia under the umbrella of the Europe-Central Asia Research Academies Network (EUCARAN). The proposal is addressed to an EU Horizon 2020 Co-ordination and Support Action under the topic “EU and Central Asia”.

Research ties between the two regions are individualized and selective. Moreover, they fail to inform EU policy towards the Central Asian (CA) region. Hence, the research project is conceptualized as a sustainable soft power approach to improving the ties of the EU with the region and the countries of Central Asia. Organized around tandems of one anchor partner from the EU and CA each, participants will conduct joint research projects and multi-stakeholder workshops in four thematic areas – security and stability, economy and ecology, education and internationalization and local and regional governance.

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### 3. Consultancy Projects

#### 3.1. Completed Consultancy Projects

The key event in 2016 was, of course, the German OSCE Chairmanship. CORE provided expert advice to the OSCE Task Force at the Federal Foreign Office on a range of issues in different formats, brainstorming meetings, public workshops and others. More specifically, a CORE team under Frank Evers elaborated a bi-weekly survey of issues related to the OSCE and the German Chairmanship in Russian-language internet media.

A substantial part of the CORE efforts was devoted to the activities of the OSCE Network of Think Tanks and Academic Institutions that grew from 48 to 67 member institutions over the course of the year. That started with a large – 40 institutes were present – Network Plenary Meeting in February 2016 that discussed the Network projects and elected its bodies. Two major projects were elaborated: “Protracted Conflicts in the OSCE Area. Innovative Approaches in the Conflict Zones” and “European Security – Challenges at the Societal Level”. Both projects held workshops and elaborated reports that were presented at the margins of the OSCE Ministerial Council in Hamburg in December 2016.

*a) Media Survey on “Comments in Russian-language Internet Media on Issues Related to the OSCE and the German 2016 OSCE Chairmanship”*

Commissioned by the German Federal Foreign Office, CORE produced a survey of news, opinions and analyses in Russian-language internet media on the subject of the OSCE and the OSCE Chairmanship. The survey was compiled by a CORE team with Nodira Aminova, Azamjon Isabaev, Elena Kropatcheva and Karina Shabayeva and was edited by Frank Evers. On a fortnightly basis, a series of about two dozen reports was delivered to the Foreign Office throughout the German OSCE Chairmanship.

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*b) Providing Consultancy for the OSCE Task Force of the German Federal Foreign Office*

Throughout the German 2016 OSCE Chairmanship, CORE provided research services and oral or written analyses and advice on a range of OSCE-related subjects. CORE researchers gave input on all three OSCE dimensions to various internal brainstorming events and public workshops conducted by the German Federal Foreign Office. This included, *inter alia*, subjects such as, conventional arms control, protracted conflicts, confidence building in the context of crises and development co-operation, second-dimension issues and matters related to the OSCE Network of Think Tanks and Academic Institutions.

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*c) OSCE-Related Training Module of the German Federal Foreign Office Seminar for Central Asian and South Asian Diplomats*

CORE conducted a one-day training event titled “OSCE – Overview, Commitments, Activities” in Berlin on 21 September 2016. This was part of a German Federal

Foreign Office seminar for about a dozen young diplomats from Afghanistan, Iran and Turkmenistan and included a series of seven OSCE-related lectures. The event was supported by colleagues of the Federal Foreign Office Task Force for the OSCE Chairmanship 2016.

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*d) Co-ordination of and contribution to the OSCE Network Study Project "Protracted Conflicts in the OSCE Area. Innovative Approaches for Co-operation in the Conflict Zones"*

CORE helped to co-ordinate a project of the OSCE Network of Think Tanks and Academic Institutions titled "Protracted Conflicts in the OSCE Region: Innovative Approaches for Co-operation in the Conflict Zones". With Philip Remler as the head of project the objective was to provide a menu of innovative ways in which the international community can engage with all sides in the four so-called "frozen conflicts". The project was a collective effort of more than a dozen member institutions of the OSCE Network and about forty participants of a workshop conducted in Vienna in July 2016. The project's final report was elaborated by a group of sixteen experts with Philip Remler of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Washington, D.C. as principal drafter. The paper was launched in Hamburg in parallel with the 23<sup>rd</sup> OSCE Ministerial Council Meeting in December 2016. The project was sponsored by the German Federal Foreign Office.

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*e) Co-ordination and key drafting of the OSCE Network Study Project "European Security – Challenges at the Societal Level"*

CORE was the lead institution for a project of the OSCE Network of Think Tanks and Academic Institutions titled "European Security – Challenges at the Societal Level". Joint research and discussions under the project were bundled in two workshops held in Geneva and Moscow in May and October 2016 with representatives of sixteen OSCE Network institutes, other research institutes and government officials. The outcome of the project was a paper written by a group of authors with key drafter Wolfgang Zellner. The paper builds on sixteen studies on national security policy narratives written by the members of this group. An important finding from these narratives is that they do not exactly match the standard Russian and Western standpoints that are largely mutually exclusive and lay blame for all evil on the other side. The debate over Russia revealed very different approaches. The paper ends with a small set of recommendations and was launched at a side event of the 23<sup>rd</sup> OSCE Ministerial Council Meeting in Hamburg in December 2016. The project was jointly sponsored by the Austrian Federal Ministry for Europe, Integration and Foreign Affairs, the Finnish Ministry for Foreign Affairs, the German Federal Foreign Office, the Swiss Federal Department of Foreign Affairs, and the Friedrich Ebert Foundation.

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### 3.2. Current Consultancy Projects

CORE's ongoing consultancy efforts include the co-ordination of the activities, communications and fund-raising efforts of the OSCE Network of Think Tanks and Academic Institutions and the maintenance of the OSCE Network website, of the OSCE depository library and the CORE website.

#### a) OSCE Network of Think Tanks and Academic Institutions

The network was launched by a group of 16 institutes in Vienna on 18 June 2013 within the framework of the OSCE Security Days in the presence of Secretary General, Ambassador Lamberto Zannier. The OSCE Network is an autonomous OSCE-related Track II initiative. It is neither an OSCE structure nor is it subordinated to the OSCE or its participating States. It now has 67 member institutions from 37 states. Members of the Network's Steering Committee are Sonja Stojanović Gajić (Belgrade Centre for Security Policy), Ambassador Jim Collins (Carnegie Endowment for International Peace), Christian Nünlist (Center for Security Studies, ETH Zürich), Andrei Zagorski (Institute for World Economy and International Relations, Russian Academy of Sciences/IMEMO), and Wolfgang Zellner (CORE), with the latter being the Network Co-ordinator. He is supported by Naida Mehmedbegović Dreilich.

In 2016, the Network implemented two projects: *"Protracted Conflicts in the OSCE Area. Innovative Approaches for Co-operation in the Conflict Zones"* led by Philip Remler of Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Washington, D.C. and *"European Security – Challenges at the Societal Level"* co-ordinated by Wolfgang Zellner (for more information, see above).

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#### b) 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://ifsh.de/en/core/services-ressources/depository-library/>. The library and the 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: [www.ifsh.de/en/core/services-ressources/ausgewahlte-bibliographie](http://www.ifsh.de/en/core/services-ressources/ausgewahlte-bibliographie).
- A comprehensive bibliography with references to CSCE and OSCE documents and relevant articles and books, established in 1995 and regularly updated since then: [www.ifsh.de/en/core/services-ressources/bibliographie-zur-kszeosze](http://www.ifsh.de/en/core/services-ressources/bibliographie-zur-kszeosze).

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The CORE website ([www.ifsh.de/en/core/profile](http://www.ifsh.de/en/core/profile)) provides 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 2014, 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. ([www.ifsh.de/en/core/publications/osce-yearbook](http://www.ifsh.de/en/core/publications/osce-yearbook))

A special page of our website summarizes the extensive results of CORE's research on Central Asia (publications, seminars, and research projects) over the last 15 years. ([www.ifsh.de/en/core/central-asia](http://www.ifsh.de/en/core/central-asia)).

Direct access to the WAO (World Affairs Online) database, which contains more than 4,000 references to OSCE/CSCE-related articles and books (many of them with links to the full online text), assists readers in finding OSCE/CSCE-specific information. The website also contains information on vacancies and internships at CORE.

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## 4. Publications

CORE publications include the production of the OSCE Yearbook, of CORE Working Papers and CORE News.

### 4.1. OSCE Yearbook

The 2016 edition is the 22<sup>nd</sup> version of the OSCE Yearbook. Surveying the OSCE, its 57 participating States, and comprehensive security in the OSCE area, it contains a wide variety of writings by both experts and practitioners. This year's publication takes a detailed look at the OSCE's activities in response to the European refugee and migrant crisis.

The IFSH has published the OSCE Yearbook in English, German, and Russian since 1995. The international co-editors of this flagship CORE publication are Dr Pál Dunay (George C. Marshall European Center for Security Studies, Garmisch-Partenkirchen), Prof. P. Terrence Hopmann (Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies, Washington, D.C.), Prof. Adam Daniel Rotfeld (Member of the Executive Board of the European Leadership Network, Warsaw), and Dr Andrei Zagorski (Moscow State Institute of International Relations/MGIMO). The editorial staff members 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 Michael Weh. In 2016, additional translating and editing work was carried out by Roman Dobrokhotov, Anastasia Raevskaya, and Sergei Rastoltsev.

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 2016 OSCE Yearbook is currently in preparation and will be published in winter 2016/17, with the German edition following in autumn 2017. The Russian edition of the OSCE Yearbook 2015 will also be published in winter 2016/17. The entire texts of all previous editions of the OSCE Yearbook in English and German up to 2014 are available to read or download at the CORE website: [www.ifsh.de/en/core/publications/osce-yearbook/](http://www.ifsh.de/en/core/publications/osce-yearbook/).

The conflict in and around Ukraine remains the OSCE's largest acute concern. Marcel Peško looks at how the OSCE's conflict management role has evolved. More broadly, Wolfgang Zellner asks what the OSCE's long-term aims should be, while P. Terrence Hopmann poses the question: "What Happened to Co-operative Security?" Two contributions in this first chapter, written by Patricia Flor and Wolfgang Richter, are dedicated to one of the priorities of Germany's 2016 OSCE Chairmanship: Reviving conventional arms control in Europe and modernizing existing confidence- and security-building measures.

Two contributions in the section on the interests and commitment of specific OSCE States focus on the United Kingdom. The head of the UK delegation to the OSCE, Sian MacLeod, discusses how the UK attitude to the Organization may be affected by the Ukraine crisis, while Reem Ahmed focuses on the UK referendum on membership in the European Union.

Turning to the OSCE's conflict prevention and dispute settlement activities, Hans-Joachim Schmidt analyses the consequences of the four-day war in Nagorno-Karabakh, while Vaidotas Verba, the OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Ukraine, discusses the work of his office. Early warning and early action are the focus of Nico Schernbeck's contribution, and Larissa Meier examines the history of the OSCE's involvement in peacekeeping. Finally, Geoffrey Corry, Pat Hynes, and Kieran Doyle ask what lessons can be learned from the Northern Ireland peace process.

In the section on "Comprehensive Security: The Three Dimensions and Cross-Dimensional Challenges," several authors turn their attention to this year's special focus, the ongoing European migrant and refugees crisis. In the first of several contributions on this topic, Svenja Gertheiss and Sabine Mannitz call for a new approach to the treatment of migrants and refugees. Contributions by David Buerstedde and Jean P. Froehly discuss how the OSCE has reacted to the crisis, while Stephanie Liechtenstein considers what else the Organization needs to do. The response to the crisis of the OSCE field operations in South-eastern Europe is the focus of the contribution by Florent Marciacq, Tobias Flessenkemper and Ivana Boštjančič Pulko and the actions of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly is Maria Chepurina's concern. Elsewhere in this section, Kurt P. Tudyka reviews the evolution of the OSCE's "second basket" – environmental and economic activities.

In the section on internal and external relations, Loïc Simonet and Hans-Georg Lüber return to the perennial battle over the OSCE's legal status. Finally, Anastasiya Bayok discusses the Chinese view of Central Asia.

This year's foreword was written by Germany's Foreign Minister Frank-Walter Steinmeier.

As always, the OSCE Yearbook includes extensive annexes comprising facts and figures on all 57 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 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 among 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

### *CORE News*

The electronic newsletter, *CORE News*, provides information on current CORE activities and events. It can be downloaded from the CORE website, at: [www.ifsh.de/en/core/publications/core-news](http://www.ifsh.de/en/core/publications/core-news). Subscriptions, which are free of charge, may be taken out by sending an e-mail to [core@ifsh.de](mailto:core@ifsh.de).

## 5. Teaching

CORE teaching activities in 2016 embraced its staff members' contributions to the postgraduate Master's programme on "Peace and Security Studies (M.A.)" and the work of PhD students on their dissertations.

### 5.1. Peace and Security Studies (M.A.)

Within the framework of the co-operation network, "Peace Research and Security Policy", and under the supervision of the IFSH, a postgraduate Master's programme on "Peace and Security Studies (M.A.)" 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 co-operation network are research and academic institutions: the Faculties of Law, of Business, Economics and Social Sciences, and of Humanities at the University of Hamburg, the Institute for International Law of Peace and Armed Conflict (IFHV) at the Ruhr University, Bochum, the Bonn International Center for Conversion (BICC), the Berghof Foundation, Berlin, the Institute for Theology and Peace, Hamburg (IThF), the Bundeswehr Command and Staff College, Hamburg, the Protestant Institute for Interdisciplinary Research (FEST), Heidelberg, the Carl Friedrich von Weizsäcker Centre for Science and Peace Research (ZNF), Hamburg,

the German Institute of Global and Area Studies (GIGA), Hamburg, the Institute for Development and Peace (INEF) of the University of Duisburg-Essen, the European Centre for Minority Issues (ECMI), Flensburg, the Center for International Peace Operations (ZIF), Berlin, the Institute for International Policy at the Helmut Schmidt University of the Federal Armed Forces, Hamburg (HSU), the Federal Academy for Security Policy, Berlin (BAKS), the MPS Alumni Association and the Institute for Peace Research and Security Policy at the University of Hamburg (IFSH) with the Centre for European Peace and Security Studies (ZEUS), the Interdisciplinary Research Group on Disarmament, Arms Control and Risk Technologies (IFAR<sup>2</sup>) and CORE.

The programme is implemented in close co-operation 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 2015/2016 course has 25 participants from eleven countries. Upon completion of the programme, the M.A. diploma is certified by the University of Hamburg.

CORE staff members are currently contributing to the 2016/2017 teaching programme: Anna Kreikemeyer offers a course in academic writing. She acts as an IFSH focal point for the MPS co-operation with the Centre for Peace Studies at the University of Tromsø, Norway. Elena Kropatcheva offers a course on "Russian Energy Policy", Naida Mehmedbegović Dreilich on "Intercultural Communication and Co-operation" and Wolfgang Zellner a seminar on "European Security Policy: OSCE".

## **5.2. Other Teaching**

Elena Kropatcheva gave a lecture "War and peace in Eastern Europe through the prism of peace research" in the framework of an introductory lecture series within the program "East European Studies" at the University of Hamburg. She also represented the IFSH in the Commission of this programme.

## **5.3. PhD Dissertations**

In 2016, two PhD students worked on their dissertations at CORE. 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 13 – 14 January 2016, Frank Evers and Wolfgang Zellner visited Vienna, where they met with OSCE officials and representatives of delegations to the OSCE to discuss OSCE matters and participated in the 1085<sup>th</sup> Special Meeting of the Permanent Council.

On 19 January 2016, Anna Kreikemeyer had a talk with André Bank, German Institute for Global and Area Studies (GIGA) on concepts of authoritarianism.

On 10 February 2016, Frank Evers delivered a presentation on “Germany’s OSCE Chairmanship 2016: Objectives and Opportunities” at the Association for International Affairs and International Law in Berlin. The event was moderated by CORE adviser Arne Seifert.

On 10 February 2016, Anna Kreikemeyer had a talk with cand. phil. Benjamin Schaller, Centre for Peace Studies at the University of Tromsø, Norway on co-operation in the framework of the IFSH Master Program on Peace and Security Studies.

On 22 February 2016, Frank Evers represented CORE at a workshop on energy security in the OSCE area conducted by the German Institute for International and Security Affairs (SWP). The workshop assessed the potential role of the OSCE in this field and addressed relevant stakeholders’ attitudes towards the OSCE’s involvement.

On 16 March 2016, Frank Evers took part in a workshop on “Addressing Conflicts in a Shared Neighborhood: Prospects and Limitations of EU-Turkish Cooperation in the South Caucasus”. The event was conducted by the German Institute for International and Security Affairs (SWP) together with the German Council on Foreign Relations (DGAP).

On 18 – 19 March 2016, Frank Evers and Wolfgang Zellner took part in the first drafting group meeting of the OSCE Network Study Group “European Security – Challenges at Societal Level”. This meeting was organized by CORE in Hamburg.

On 27 April 2016, Frank Evers had a number of meetings with members of the OSCE Task Force of the German Federal Foreign Office in Berlin.

On 23 May 2016 Elena Kropatcheva took part in a podium discussion with Prof. Ruslan Grinberg (Director of the IMEMO) on the topic of “Russia’s fight for its place in the world” [Russlands Kampf um seinen Platz in der Welt], organized by German-Russian Forum and German-Russian Society in Hamburg.

On 27 – 28 May 2016, Frank Evers and Wolfgang Zellner took part in a workshop of the OSCE Network Study Group “European Security – Challenges at Societal Level” that was conducted at the Geneva Centre for Security Policy (GCSP). Workshop participants from 13 countries discussed country security policy narratives on the basis of draft papers.

On 29 May 2016, Frank Evers and Wolfgang Zellner took part in a drafting group meeting of the OSCE Network Study Group “European Security – Challenges at Societal Level” that was conducted at the Geneva Centre for Security Policy (GCSP).

On 4 July 2016, Frank Evers, Naida Mehmedbegović Dreilich and Wolfgang Zellner took part in the OSCE Network workshop titled “Protracted Conflicts in the OSCE Region: Innovative Approaches for Co-operation in the Conflict Zones”. This workshop was organized by CORE in Vienna.

On 5 July 2016, Frank Evers and Wolfgang Zellner took part in the second drafting group meeting of the OSCE Network Study Group “European Security – Challenges at the Societal Level”. This meeting was organized by CORE in Vienna.

On 13 July 2016, Anna Kreikemeyer had a talk with Sandra Destradi, German Institute for Global and Area Studies (GIGA) on rising powers around Central Asia.

On 5 September 2016, Frank Evers and Wolfgang Zellner had a number of meetings with members of the OSCE Task Force of the German Federal Foreign Office in Berlin.

On 31 October 2016, Frank Evers, Naida Mehmedbegović Dreilich, Arne Seifert and Wolfgang Zellner took part in the workshop of the OSCE Network Study Group “European Security – Challenges at the Societal Level”. The workshop was organized by the Russian International Affairs Council (RIAC) and the Friedrich Ebert Foundation in Moscow.

On 1 November 2016, Frank Evers and Wolfgang Zellner took part in the third drafting group meeting of the OSCE Network Study Group “European Security – Challenges at Societal Level” that was conducted at the Institute of World Economy and International Relations (IMEMO) in Moscow.

From 7 November until 28 December 2016, Sardor Mahmudov from the Peacebuilding Centre of Osh State University visited CORE to work with Anna Kreikemeyer on the concept of “Peace Research in Europe and Eurasia” as did Prof. Dr Arthur Atanesyan from the Erevan State University from 11 November to 11 December 2016

On 15 November 2015, Frank Evers and Wolfgang Zellner visited Vienna, where they met with OSCE officials and representatives of delegations to the OSCE to discuss preparations for the OSCE Ministerial Council Meeting in Hamburg. On 16 November, Naida Mehmedbegović Dreilich and Esther Somfalvy gave presentations in the IFSH/GIGA Workshop “Power Sharing in Post-War and Post-Conflict Societies” in Hamburg.

On 17 November 2016, Wolfgang Zellner testified before the Europe Committee of the Hamburg Parliament on the perspectives of the OSCE Ministerial Council Meeting in Hamburg.

On 29 November 2016, Anna Kreikemeyer had a talk with Rasmus Bertelsen, University of Tromsø, Norway on co-operation perspectives.

On 6 December 2016 Elena Kropatcheva gave a lecture on “25 years post-Soviet Union – developments and expectations” in the framework of the security policy congress “Strategic developments 2017” in Nordkolleg Rendsburg.

On 14 December 2016, Frank Evers and Wolfgang Zellner had a meeting with members of the OSCE Task Force of the German Federal Foreign Office in Berlin.

## 6.2. Conferences Organized by CORE

During 2016, CORE staff members organized four workshops and summer schools.

### *a) 2<sup>nd</sup> Plenary Meeting of the OSCE Network in Hamburg, 24 February 2016*

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Plenary Meeting of the OSCE Network of Think Tanks and Academic Institutions was organized by CORE in Hamburg on 24 February 2016. The event was sponsored by the German Federal Foreign Office and the Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg and attended by representatives of 40 of the 54 member institutions the OSCE Network had at that point, the German OSCE Chairmanship, the OSCE Documentation Centre and the OSCE Secretariat. The Network has neither a legal personality nor a budget, but has significantly grown from 16 founding institutions in June 2013 to now 60 members. Since its founding, the Network has implemented five major projects and has held about a dozen workshops and presentations. The Plenary Meeting was used to elect new members to the Steering Committee and the new Network Co-ordinator. Members of the Steering Committee are Amb. Jim Collins (USA), Sonja Stojanović Gajić (Serbia), Christian Nünlist (Switzerland), Andrei Zagorski (Russia) and Wolfgang Zellner (Germany). Wolfgang Zellner has been re-elected as Network Co-ordinator.

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### *b) OSCE Network Meets the OSCE Chairmanship, Hamburg, 24 February 2016*

On the occasion of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Plenary Meeting of the OSCE Network of Think Tanks and Academic Institutions, the German Federal Foreign Office, the Senate of the Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg and the OSCE Network jointly arranged a panel discussion with Gernot Erler, Special Representative of the German Federal Government for the OSCE Chairmanship 2016, on “Expectations of OSCE Efforts and the 2016 German OSCE Chairmanship”. The panelists were Hüseyin Bağcı (Turkey), Damba Ganbat (Mongolia), Sonja Stojanović Gajić (Serbia), Barbara Kunz (France), Philip Remler (USA) and Andrei Zagorski (Russia). The event was organized by CORE and co-sponsored by the German Federal Foreign Office and the Senate of the Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg. It was concluded with a reception given by Hamburg’s First Deputy Mayor Katharina Fegebank.

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### *c) Preparatory Teacher’s Workshop at Erevan State University, 16 – 18 May 2016*

From 16 – 18 May 2016 Anna Kreikemeyer organized a preparatory teacher's workshop at the Erevan State University with colleagues from Armenia, Georgia, Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan in the framework of the project “Peace Research in Europe and Eurasia” (see 2.2). Together with these teachers she held a summer school with 15 PhD students and graduates from the participating states at Osh State University in South Kyrgyzstan.

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d) OSCE Network Workshop “Protracted Conflicts in the OSCE Region: Innovative Approaches for Co-operation in the Conflict Zones”, Vienna, 4 July 2016

CORE organized the workshop “Protracted Conflicts in the OSCE Region: Innovative Approaches for Co-operation in the Conflict Zones” on 4 July 2016 in Vienna. The workshop was funded by the German Federal Foreign Office and attended by 42 participants, including OSCE Network representatives, OSCE officials, international experts with experience in the conflicts, and unofficial representatives of the sides in conflict. The panellists were paper drafters from the OSCE Network and Chairmanship officials and experts served as panel chairs and discussants. The workshop was concluded with a presentation to delegations in the Hofburg on 5 July 2016 by the project leader Philip Remler and Chairmanship representatives.

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e) 3<sup>rd</sup> Central Asia Day “Prospects for Peace Research in Central Asia. Between Discourses of Danger, Normative Divides and Global Challenges”, Hamburg, 17 and 18 November 2016

On 17 and 18 November 2016, Anna Kreikemeyer organized the 3<sup>rd</sup> Central Asia Day at CORE/IFSH titled “Prospects for Peace Research in Central Asia. Between Discourses of Danger, Normative Divides and Global Challenges”, funded by the German Foundation for Peace Research. At this international conference, researchers from five European and four Central Asian states met to search together for prospects of peace research in and from Central Asia. This joint Central Asian–European endeavour departed from a critical analysis of current discourses on conflict, security, stability and order in Central Asia. It identified fractures, voids and possible starting points for more region-specific peace research concepts, took into account different perceptions and discussed critically the current discourses of differences between Europe and Central Asia. It asked: How is peace research perceived among Central Asian scholars? Where are the strengths and deficits in the current discourses on Central Asia with respect to key aspects of peace? What are the perceptions and where are differences between European and Central Asian scholars? What can we learn about prospects of peace research in and from Central Asia? The panellists were well-known experts with international publication records and 25 German Central Asia researchers who joined the conference as guests.

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f) Brainstorming Meetings of the OSCE Network in Hamburg, 8 and 9 December 2016

In parallel with the 23<sup>rd</sup> OSCE Ministerial Council Meeting in December 2016, CORE arranged a series of three brainstorming meetings of the OSCE Network of Think Tanks and Academic Institutions on 8 and 9 December 2016. The meetings were arranged to discuss further network activities in 2017. They were sponsored by the German Federal Foreign Office and attended by about 15 of the current 67 member institutions of the OSCE Network.

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### 6.3. Conferences Attended and Lectures Given by CORE Staff

During 2016, CORE staff members attended more than 35 conferences and workshops (see also 6.1 Co-operation and Guests) where they acted as presenters and/or rapporteurs.

*Frank Evers*

- Took part in a business conference titled “Connectivity for Commerce and Investment” organized by the German OSCE Chairmanship in Berlin on 18 – 19 May 2016.
- Took part in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Preparatory Meeting for the 24<sup>th</sup> OSCE Economic and Environmental Forum, which was titled this year “Strengthening stability and security through co-operation on good governance” and moderated a session on “Good governance as a basis for the fight against corruption, money laundering and the financing of terrorism” in Berlin on 19 – 20 May 2016.
- Delivered a presentation on “The German 2016 OSCE Chairmanship: Expectations and Responsibility” during the fourth meeting of the Eastern European alumni network of the Konrad Adenauer Foundation in Berlin on 4 June 2016.
- Took part in a seminar on “The OSCE as Mediator Instruments – Challenges – Potentials” conducted by the German OSCE Chairmanship in Berlin on 6 July 2016.
- Took part in the Belarusian Forum “Broadening the Horizons: Investment, Finance, Development” that was jointly organized by the Belarusian National Agency of Investment and Privatization, the UNITER Investment Company, and the Belarusian Institute for Strategic Studies (BISS) and used the occasion for a series of talks on current developments in Belarus and future co-operation between CORE and Belarusian partners in Minsk on 29 – 30 September 2016.
- Together with Arne Seifert discussed matters of future co-operation between CORE and Russian partners from the Institute of Oriental Studies of the Russian Academy of Sciences in Moscow on 30 October 2016.
- Took part in a background discussion with the Armenian Foreign Minister Edward Nalbandian and German Bundestag Vice-President Edelgard Bulmahn organized by the Friedrich Ebert Foundation in Berlin on 4 November 2016.
- Delivered a presentation on “The 2016 German OSCE Chairmanship in Retrospect” at the Department of Politics and Political Science of the Bundeswehr Command and Staff College in Hamburg on 1 December 2016.
- Together with Wolfgang Zellner took part in a colloquium titled “Preliminary Results: The 2016 German OSCE Chairmanship”, organized by the German Institute for International and Security Affairs (SWP) in Berlin on 2 December 2016.

*Azamjon Isabaev*

- Gave a presentation on “Some results of the field trip (interviews) to Uzbekistan” at the 7<sup>th</sup> IFSH Workshop “Wege aus der Gewalt” [Ways out of violence] in Hamburg on 12 February 2016.
- Gave a presentation on “Some Debates about Central Asian Concerns over Afghanistan” at the 7<sup>th</sup> OSCE Academy-NUPI Annual Security Seminar “Global Security Trends and Their Impact on Central Asia: 2016 and On” in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan, on 1 – 2 September 2016.
- Gave a presentation on his current dissertation project at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Central Asia Day “Prospects for Peace Research in Central Asia. Between Discourses of Danger, Normative Divides and Global Challenges” in Hamburg on 17 – 18 November 2016.

*Anna Kreikemeyer*

- Gave a presentation on “Prospects for Peace Research in Central Asia. Between Discourses of Danger, Normative Divides and Global Challenges” at the 7<sup>th</sup> IFSH workshop “Wege aus der Gewalt” [Ways out of Violence] in Hamburg on 12 February 2016.
- Gave a presentation on “Hybridity in Theory and Practice. A Contribution to Transliberal Peace?” at the 48<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the German Association for Peace and Conflict Studies in Bonn on 3 – 5 March 2016.
- Gave a presentation on “The Concept of Hybridity” in the Working Group “No War, no Peace” of the Hamburg Institute for Social Research (HIS) on 1 July 2016.

*Naida Mehmedbegović Dreilich*

- Took part in the training module “UN Peacekeeping Operations” at the Bundeswehr Command and Staff College in Hamburg on 28 August – 9 September 2016.
- Took part in the IFSH/GIGA Workshop “Power Sharing in Post-War and Post-Conflict Societies” and gave a presentation on “Power-Sharing Institutions and Instruments in Bosnia and Herzegovina” in Hamburg on 16 November 2016.

*Esther Somfalvy*

- Presented a paper on “Giving to the people, serving the regime? MPs and their re-(s)election strategies in non-democratic countries” at the ECPR Standing Group on Parliaments Conference in Munich on 30 June – 2 July 2016.
- Presented a paper on “Representative autocracy – How do parliamentarians matter in non-democratic regimes?” at the ECPR General Conference in Prague on 7 – 10 September 2016.

*Wolfgang Zellner*

- Participated in a side event of the “Panel of Eminent Persons” at the Munich Security Conference on 14 February 2016.

- Lectured on the 2016 German OSCE Chairmanship at the Bundeswehr Command and Staff College in Hamburg on 6 April 2016.
- Gave a presentation on “Managing Asymmetric Threats” at the conference “The Future of the OSCE”, jointly organized by the Zeit Foundation and the German Federal Foreign Office in Berlin on 7 April 2016.
- Presented on the OSCE as a security policy organization at a seminar of the Federal Academy for Security Policy in Berlin on 18 April 2016.
- Participated in a panel discussion on “The OSCE: An Instrument for Security and Change” at a conference jointly organized by the Konrad Adenauer Foundation, the Institute for International Relations and Political Science, Vilnius University, the German Embassy at Vilnius, and the 2016 German OSCE Chairmanship in Vilnius on 19 May 2016.
- Took part in the Hamburg discussions on international politics, organized by the Körber Foundation, with the First Mayor of the Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg, Olaf Scholz, on 25 May 2016.
- Participated in a panel discussion on “The Influence and Role of International Organizations” at the annual meeting of the *Institut für Ost- und Südosteuropaforschung (IOS)* in Regensburg on 2 July 2016.
- Gave a presentation on “The 2016 German OSCE Chairmanship – Possibilities and Limits” at the Bundeswehr Command and Staff College in Hamburg on 13 July 2016.
- Presented a paper on “Elements of a New European Order: Principles, Instruments and Institutions Governing Russian-Western Relations” at the workshop “Renewing Mechanisms for Russia-EU Cooperation”, jointly organized by the German Council on Foreign Relations (DGAP) and the Russian International Affairs Council (RIC) in Moscow on 12 October 2016.
- Participated in the “OSCE Focus” conference, organized by the Swiss Federal Department of Foreign Affairs and DCAF in Geneva on 14 – 15 October 2016.
- Lectured on “Key Player OSCE” at the Bundeswehr Command and Staff College in Hamburg on 25 October 2016.
- Participated in the panel “Development and status quo of the OSCE: Thinking beyond” at the conference “A New Peace Structure for Europe and the Role of the OSCE”, jointly organized by the Austrian Institute for International Affairs, the Renner Institute, the University of Vienna and the Friedrich Ebert Foundation in Vienna on 14 November 2016.
- Gave input on “Connectivity” at a meeting evaluating the performance of the 2016 German OSCE Chairmanship, organized by the German Institute for International and Security Affairs in Berlin on 2 December 2016.
- Participated in a discussion round with the Director of the OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights, Michael Georg Link, organized by the Körber Foundation in Hamburg on 6 December 2016.
- Participated in a RIAC-DGAP seminar on “Renewing Mechanism for Russia-EU Cooperation. The “Energy Order” and Russia-EU Relations” in Berlin on 14 December 2016.

## 7. Personnel and Budget

During 2016, the Head of CORE managed a staff of 14, which includes eight researchers and two PhD students (cf. Annex 1: CORE staff as of 1 December 2016). In addition, two staff members (one senior researcher/editor, one translator/editor) were responsible for publishing the OSCE Yearbook, one for documentation and information, and one for language editing. The permanent staff is supported by further translators. Over the course of the year, three students completed their internships, which, on average, lasted for around six weeks ([www.ifsh.de/en/teaching/internship](http://www.ifsh.de/en/teaching/internship)).

Less than half of the CORE budget is financed through the IFSH budget. Project financing covers the greater part of the expenditures. In the year 2016, CORE projects – including PhD and OSCE Network projects – were funded by the German Foundation for Peace Research, the Austrian Federal Ministry for Europe, Integration and Foreign Affairs, the Foreign Ministry of Finland, the Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg, the German Federal Foreign Office, the Irish Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, the Swiss Federal Department of Foreign Affairs, the Friedrich Ebert Foundation and the German Academic Exchange Service.



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## Annex 2: Publications by CORE Staff Members in 2016

### *Evers, Frank*

- With Wolfgang Zellner, Irina Chernykh, Alain Déléroz, Barbara Kunz, Christian Nünlist, Philip Remler, Oleksiy Semeni, and Andrei Zagorski. 2016. *European Security – Challenges at the Societal Level*, Hamburg: OSCE Network of Think Tanks and Academic Institutions. Accessed 11 April 2017. [http://osce-network.net/file-OSCE-Network/documents/European\\_Security-OSCE\\_WEB.pdf](http://osce-network.net/file-OSCE-Network/documents/European_Security-OSCE_WEB.pdf)

### *Kreikemeyer, Anna*

- Under review. “Hybrid peacebuilding and local peace in the Fergana Valley.” Contribution to a special section on ‘Peacebuilding and conceptualizations of the local,’ by Birgit Bräuchler and Philipp Naucke. *Social Anthropology*.
- Forthcoming. “Framing “Everyday communal peace” in Jabbor Rasulov, Tajikistan.” In *Conflict Management after Empire in Eurasia: Beyond the Liberal Peace*, edited by John Heathershaw, Shairbek Juraev, and Catherine C. Owen. London: Rowman & Littlefield.

### *Kropatcheva, Elena*

- 2016. “Russia and the Collective Security Treaty Organisation: Multilateral Policy or Unilateral Ambitions?” *Europe-Asia Studies* 68 (9): 1526-1552. doi:10.1080/09668136.2016.1238878.
- 2016. “The EU’s policy of democracy promotion and Ukraine’s bumpy path to the Association Agreement – amidst a major crisis in Europe.” In *European Engagement under Review: Exporting Values, Rules, and Practices to the Post-Soviet Space*, edited by Vera Axyonova, 11–40. Stuttgart: ibidem.

### *Schlichting, Ursel*

- With Hans-Georg Ehrhart. 2016. “Organisation für Sicherheit und Zusammenarbeit in Europa.” In *Europa von A bis Z*, 14<sup>th</sup> ed., edited by Werner Weidenfeld, and Wolfgang Wessels, 362-369. Baden-Baden: Nomos.
- 2016. “Preface.” In *OSCE Yearbook 2015*, edited by Institute for Peace Research and Security Policy at the University of Hamburg/IFSH, 13-18. Baden-Baden: Nomos.
- 2016. “Vorwort.” In *OSZE Jahrbuch 2015*, edited by Institut für Friedensforschung und Sicherheitspolitik an der Universität Hamburg/IFSH, 13-19. Baden-Baden: Nomos.

### *Seifert, Arne C.*

- 2016. “Herausforderungen der Unabhängigkeit.” *WeltTrends*, no. 121 (2016): 32-37.
- 2016. “IS-Prävention in Zentralasien Bedingungen, Risiken, friedenspolitische Erfordernisse.” *Arbeitspapier Sicherheitspolitik*, no. 7 (2016), Berlin: Bundesakademie für Sicherheitspolitik.
- 2016. “Politische Erfordernisse der IS-Prävention in Zentralasien.” In *OSZE Jahrbuch 2015*, edited by Institut für Friedensforschung und Sicherheitspolitik an der Universität Hamburg/IFSH, 149-164. Baden-Baden: Nomos.
- 2016. “Preventing the “Islamic State” in Central Asia Conditions, risks and peace policy requirements.” *Security Policy Working Paper*, no. 7 (2016), Berlin: Federal Academy for Security Policy.
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