

Dear Reader,

It is a good tradition that, at the end of the year, we focus on the implementation of the SDGs in cities and municipalities. The focus of this year's Bonn Symposium will be on the potential of partnerships within and between cities for fostering sustainable development. Very concretely, we will ask how partnerships in fields like sustainable energy, climate protection or eco-mobility can work successfully.

You are involved in partnerships and networks with a focus on the SDGs and wish to join the debate?

Register now!

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FORTHCOMING EVENTS



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: UN Treaty on Business and Human Rights

sef: Policy Lunch

20th November 2017 in Brussels

In October 2017, a working group commissioned by the United Nations Human Rights Council is going to negotiate possible elements of a legally-binding treaty on business and human rights. What kinds of elements are likely to be included in a UN Treaty? What is the position of the European Union on the results of the October meeting? What are the practical implications of a legally-binding treaty for countries and businesses? We invite you to discuss these questions with us during a **policy lunch** in Brussels on 20th November. Mark the date in your calendar already today!



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: Local partnerships to implement Agenda 2030 worldwide

Bonn Symposium

5th/6th December 2017 in Bonn

On 5th and 6th December 2017, sef: will, together with the Service Agency Communities in One World (SKEW) of Engagement Global gGmbH, the Federal State of North Rhine-Westphalia and other supporters, host its annual Bonn Symposium. What are good examples of partnerships within and between municipalities worldwide? What can be done to facilitate better knowledge sharing among municipalities – and how can networks of cities make a contribution here? These questions will be discussed with international representatives from municipalities, city networks as well as from academia, business and civil society. **Register** until 24th November!

PUBLICATIONS



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: "More advocacy work needed"

sef: insight 6|2017 / video interview

In 2012, the Guiding Principles on Foreign Debt and Human Rights were endorsed by the UN Human Rights Council. What has happened since? What still has to be done? Professor Cephias Lumina, former UN Independent Expert on Foreign Debt and Human Rights assesses the current situation in a **video interview** with sef: on the occasion of an International sef: Expert Workshop on “Human Rights and the Global Economy”. The interview is also available in written form as **sef: insight**.



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: "Women are losing out"

sef: insight 5|2017 / video interview

In countries of the Global South, trade and investment agreements often have a negative effect on the weakest parts of society, in particular women. Why is this so? And how can unequal power relations that foster an economic system at the expense of the weakest be challenged? At a recent International sef: Expert Workshop, Ranja Sengupta shared the results of her research in India in a **video interview**. The interview is also available in written form as **sef: insight**.



Local-International Relations and the Recalibration of Peacebuilding Interventions

Insights from the 'Laboratory' of Bougainville and Beyond

Volker Boege / Patricia Rinck / Tobias Debiel

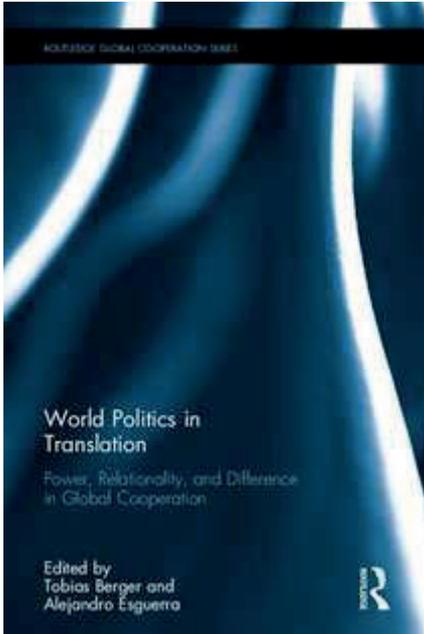
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: Local-International Relations and the Recalibration of Peacebuilding Interventions. Insights from the 'Laboratory' of Bougainville and Beyond

INEF-Report 112/2017

Which effects do the relations of international and local actors have for post-conflict peacebuilding initiatives? How do perceptions of “the other” change in the course of interaction? Which experiences and mechanisms affect these changes? These questions are in focus of the **INEF-Report 112** by Dr Volker Boege, INEF-Director Professor Tobias Debiel and INEF-Researcher Patricia Rinck. In their analysis of the micro-level of post-conflict peacebuilding, the authors particularly study the conflict and peace process in Bougainville. Because of its special conditions, the island can be seen as a “laboratory” of external intervention.



: World Politics in Translation: Power, Relationality and Difference in Global Cooperation

Routledge Global Cooperation Series

Combining empirically grounded case studies with methodological reflections and theoretical innovations, this **edited volume** conceptualises 'translation' for International Relations. Tobias Berger and KHK-Fellow Alejandro Esquerro (eds.) address how the concept of translation opens new perspectives on development cooperation, the diffusion of norms and organisational templates, the performance in and of international organisations or the politics of international security governance.

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: Meeting of the sef: Advisory Board

On 12 October the annual meeting of the sef: Advisory Board took place in the State Chancellery in Düsseldorf. On the agenda were, among other topics, the implementation and future thematic focus of the work of sef:. Members of the Executive Committee, the Board of Trustees as well as the staff member of the secretariat also participated in the meeting.

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