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sef: and INEF have launched a new publication series: GLOBAL TRENDS. ANALYSIS. The new series aims to identify options for international policy action in an ever more complex world. Furthermore, it presents perspectives from different world regions. The series analyses current developments and challenges against the background of long-term political trends, and it illustrates facts with figures and tables. **GLOBAL TRENDS. ANALYSIS** is issued by a team of co-editors from different world regions.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS



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### : Strengthening Social Security in Africa

**Potsdam Spring Dialogues**  
**19-20 April 2018 in Potsdam**

Numerous African countries have adopted measures to improve social protection in recent years. And a large number of relevant initiatives has been established at both regional and continental level. How successful are they and what are the challenges associated? What has to happen for initiatives to be effective on a broader scale? And what kind of support can the international community provide? We will discuss these questions with experts from politics, academia, business and civil society during this year's **Potsdam Spring Dialogues** on 19/20 April 2018. **Register now!**

### : Strengthening Local Peacebuilding

**Berlin Summer Dialogue**  
**29-30 May 2018 in Berlin**

Local peace committees are an important element of national infrastructures for peace. How can their experiences and demands be channelled into national and international processes? How is their work influenced by the wider conditions at the national and international level? And which forms of external support are beneficial to local peace engagement over the long term? These questions will be at the centre of this year's **Berlin Summer Dialogue** on 19-20 May 2018. Book the dates in your calendar now!



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## PAST EVENTS



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## : Current challenges for democracy

### Dresden Forum for International Politics

In February 2018, the first Dresden Forum for International Politics took place. The new event series is hosted by sef., the Federal State of Saxony, Engagement Global gGmbH und the Stiftung Frauenkirche Dresden. Around 80 experts from different world regions discussed current challenges for democracy. At the centre of attention was the question how social peace can be built and maintained for good. Read the [conference report](#) now!

## PUBLICATIONS



## : How to overcome the impasse in UN Security Council reform

### GLOBAL TRENDS. ANALYSIS 2|2018

The urgently needed UN Security Council reform has been stuck for decades. Without a far-reaching structural change that includes the end of permanent seats and the veto, the Council is fading into irrelevance. But at a time of great power transitions, multipolarity without sufficient multilateralism is a dangerous trend. Therefore, in [GLOBAL TRENDS. ANALYSIS 02|2018](#), Jakkie Cilliers calls for a political and intellectual leap to overcome the impasse in UN Security Council reform.

## : Cooperation in a Post-Western World

GLOBAL TRENDS. ANALYSIS 1|2018

The Western liberal order finds itself in deep crisis. Global power shifts are accelerating. What does this mean for the future of global cooperation? How can the wish for more national autonomy be reconciled with the need to cooperate in a globalised world? Can new forms of governance contribute to sustaining global cooperation? Michèle Roth and Cornelia Ulbert discuss these questions in the first issue of the new publication series **GLOBAL TRENDS. ANALYSIS**.



## : Global Food Governance

Global Governance Spotlight 2|2018

After the food riots around the world in 2007/2008, the UN Committee on World Food Security (CFS) was reformed. Since then, the CFS has developed into an innovative global policy forum that could be a role model for other Global Governance institutions. In the current evaluation process, however, the CFS also faces a number of challenges. What are the main characteristics of the CFS? How can it prove successful in a changing political environment? Nora McKeon answers these questions in the **Global Governance Spotlight 2|2018** and exhorts member governments to value and reinforce this unique policy forum.



## : "The alternative to democracy is democracy"

sef: insight 2|2018

Kumar Das, Professor of Political Science and currently the Dean of the Faculty of Arts at the University of Calcutta, gave an interview with sef: during the Dresden Forum for International Politics. He elaborates how separatist movements put democracies to the test and offers solutions how democracies can address political grievances. Read the interview as **sef: insight** or watch the **video interview** on YouTube.





## : "Young people need to get political"

sef: insight 1 | 2018

During the Dresden Forum for International Politics, sef: had the chance to interview Hajer Sharief, Co-Founder of “Together We Build it” in Libya. She explains the background and difficulties of her work in Libya and encourages young people, especially young women, to be more politically active. Read the interview as **sef: insight** or watch the **video interview** on YouTube.

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