



ReCIPE Annual Conference 2025

Paris School of Economics

13-14 February 2025

Programme

The **Reducing Conflict and Improving Performance in the Economy** (ReCIPE) first Annual Conference will be held between Thursday 13 February and Friday 14 February 2025 at the Paris School of Economics.

The conference will be live-streamed. Connection details will be provided shortly before the event.

Organisers: Dominic Rohner (Geneva Graduate Institute, CEPR), Oliver Vanden Eynde (Paris School of Economics, CNRS, CEPR)

Thursday, 13 February

08:30 – 9:00 *Welcome coffee*

09:00 – 09:15 **Dominic Rohner** Welcome Address/Introduction to ReCIPE

Session 1: Theme 1 – Public policies for peace

09:15 – 09:30 **Austin Wright** Presentation of Theme 1

09:30 – 10:00 **Austin Wright** “Refugee Return and Conflict: Evidence from a Natural Experiment” ; *Austin Wright and Christopher Blair*

10:00 – 10:30 **Eoin McGuirk** “Development Mismatch? Evidence from Agricultural Projects in Pastoral Africa”; *Eoin McGuirk and Nathan Nunn*

10:30 – 11:00 *Coffee Break*

Session 2: Theme 6 – Information and conflict: From the role of (social) media and public opinion to big data and forecasting

11:00 – 11:15 **Maria Petrova** Presentation of Theme 6

11:15 – 12:00 **Ekaterina Zhuravskaya** **Keynote: “Reading Twitter in the Newsroom: Web 2.0 and Traditional-Media Reporting of Conflicts”;** *Ekaterina Zhuravskaya, Sophie Hatte and Etienne Madinier*

12:00 – 12:30 *PhD poster introduction speed round*

12:30 – 13:30 *Lunch and Poster session PhD students*

“Conflict and Female Leadership: Evidence from Colombia”; *Francisco Eslava*

“Conflict, Route Insecurity and Migration in Mali”; *Marion Richard*

“Beggar Thy Neighbor? Illicit Gold Trade and Conflict in the African Great Lakes Region”; *Jing-Rong Zeng*

Session 3: Theme 2 – Private and public investments and peace

- 13:30 – 13:45 **Michele Di Maio and Uwe Sunde** Presentation of Theme 2
- 13:45 – 14:15 **Michele Di Maio** “Conflict and firms’ performance: A global view” ; *Michele Di Maio, Emanuele Brancati, Roberta Gatti, and Asif Islam*
- 14:15 – 14:45 **Mathieu Couttenier** “The Economic Costs of Conflict: A Production Network Approach” ; *Mathieu Couttenier, Nathalie Monnet and Lavinia Piemontese*
- 14:45 – 15:15 *Coffee Break*

Session 4: Theme 5 – Climate change, natural resources and conflict

- 15:15 – 15:30 **Oliver Vanden Eynde and Juan Vargas** Presentation of Theme 5
- 15:30 – 16:00 **Anouk Rigterink** “Mining and violent conflict in Africa. Pitting against each other” ; *Anouk Rigterink, Tarek Ghani, Juan Sebastian Lozano, Jacob N. Shapiro*
- 16:00 – 16:30 **Paul Schaudt** “Index-Based Livestock Insurance, Droughts, and Conflict”; *Paul Schaudt and Kai Ghering*
- 16:30 – 17:00 **Oliver Vanden Eynde** “Protected areas and conflict in Africa”; “Country typology”
- 17:00 – 17:15 *Mini break*

Session 5: Policy Panel

- 17:15 – 18:30 Chair: Oliver Vanden Eynde (PSE, CNRS, CEPR)
Adnan Khan (FCDO)
Akiko Suwa-Eisenmann (High Level Panel Experts on Food Security and Nutrition (HLPE-FSN))
Cushla Thompson (OECD)
Dominic Rohner (Geneva Graduate Institute)
- 18:30 onwards *Reception*

Friday, 14 February

08:30 – 08:50 *Welcome coffee*

08:50 – 09:00 **Oliver Vanden Eynde** Welcome Back/Engagement in ReCIPE

Session 1: Theme 9 – Gender, inequality and conflict

09:00 – 09:15 **Siwan Anderson** Presentation of Theme 9

09:15 – 09:45 **Siwan Anderson** “Climate Change and Female Targeted Conflict”; *Siwan Anderson and Daniel Jaramillo*

Session 2: Theme 3 – Institutions, democracy and peace

09:45 – 10:00 **Hannes Mueller and Laura Mayoral** Presentation of Theme 2

10:00 – 10:30 **Hannes Mueller and Laura Mayoral** “Predicting Autocratisation: A New NLP-based Approach”; *Laura Mayoral, Hannes Mueller, Margherita Philipp, Christopher Rauh and Renato Vassallo*

10:30 – 11:00 **Juan Vargas** “Do illegal economies reduce local fiscal capacity?”; *Juan Vargas, Patricia Justino, Santiago Tobon and Martín Vanegas-Arias*

11:00 – 11:15 *Coffee Break*

Session 3: Theme 7 – Ethnic diversity and nation building

11:15 – 11:30 **Oyebola Okunogbe and Saumitra Jha** Presentation of Theme 7

11:30 – 12:00 **Oyebola Okunogbe** “Citizens’ Support for Taxation in Africa: The Role of Ethnicity and the Social Contract”; *Oyebola Okunogbe and Habtamu Edjigu*

12:00 – 12:10 *Applying for ReCIPE Grants*

12:10 – 12:30 *PhD poster introduction speed round*

12:30 – 13:30 *Lunch and Poster session PhD students*

“Roads to Peace or Discord: How does Infrastructure Shape Conflict Dynamics in Africa?”; *Mingjie Xu*

“When armed groups tax like a state: The development of tax systems by armed groups”; *Tanya Bandula-Irwin*

Session 4: Theme 8 – Peacemaking, peacebuilding and reconstruction

13:30 – 13:45 **Lisa Hultman** Presentation of Theme 8

13:45 – 14:15 **Lisa Hultman** “Feasibility and Efficacy of Reducing Rebel Violence against Civilians: Connecting Peacekeeping, Mediation, and Sanctions”; *Lisa Hultman, Hyeran Jo and Yohan Park*

Session 5: Theme 4 – Geoeconomics

14:15 – 14:30 **Eoin McGuirk** Presentation of Theme 4

14:30 – 15:00 **Dominic Rohner** “Who Wins Wars?”; *Dominic Rohner, Jonathan Federle and Moritz Schularick*

15:00 – 15:30 *Coffee break*

Session 6: RPN Session

15:30 – 16:00 **Felipe Valencia** “Religion and Conflict: Evidence from China, 1860–1911”; *Felipe Valencia, Yujing Huang, Chicheng Ma*

16:00 – 16:30 **Saumitra Jha** “Democracy Corrupted: Apex Corruption and the Erosion of Democratic Values”; *Saumitra Jha, Eduardo Rivera and Enrique Seira*

16:30 – 17:00 **Vasily Korovkin** “Supply Chain Disruptions and Reorganization: Theory and Evidence from Ukraine’s War”; *Vasily Korovkin and Alexey Makarin and Yuhei Miyauchi*

17:00 – 17:30 **Uwe Sunde** “The Effect of Peace Agreements on Conflict: The Case of Colombia”; *Uwe Sunde, Ilka Gerhardts, John Riveros*

17:30 *End of Conference*