



Seminar

POLITICAL ECONOMY OF CONFLICT AND POWER

Hints

- **Student's grade:**
 - 4 credits
 - participation in class during the seminar (20%),
 - term paper handed in two weeks ahead of the seminar's first session (50%)
 - presentation of the topic (30%)

Registration, allocation of topics and distribution of the reading list: *at the end of this session!*

Term paper

- Outline (draft): \approx 2 weeks
- Deadline for term papers: 2nd of December (2011)
- Length: 12- 15 pages

Presentation

- content of presentation to be determined until 9th of December

Reading list:

- available on our homepage (www.wipo.uni-freiburg.de) , password: Skaperdas
- list of readings for each topic
 - \Leftrightarrow required readings for preparation of term papers
 - \Leftrightarrow All participants are expected to read the assignments designated with an *.
 - *During the seminar, participants will have to answer introductory questions on the mandatory literature for each topic*

Seminar

- December 12th – 13th, 2011
at Uni-Haus Schauinsland

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79244 Münstertal



- You can arrive by car (please offer ride sharing!) or by public transport (and by foot)
- Directions: <http://www.studiumgenerale.uni-freiburg.de/Kurse/wegbeschreibung/> (in German)
- Costs for accomodation / meals: approx. 31,50€
- Arrival: Monday, 12th of December, 9 a.m.
- Departure: Tuesday, 13th of December, (not later than) 7 p.m.
- A detailed schedule for the seminar will be announced before the seminar

Supervision

Prof. Dr. Bernhard Neumärker

- Consulting hour: **Wednesday**, 12.00 – 13.00h
- first draft of the outline, problems and suggestions of categorization, specialization

Sub-supervisors (consulting hours by appointment):

- Stephan Wolf: Topics 1,2 and 4
- Robert Kappius: Topics 3, 6 and 10
- Christopher Risch: Topics 5 and 7
- Cvetlina Todorova: Topics 8 and 9

Topics

(A) Basic Issues

1. Towards an economic theory of power
2. Conflict technology and conflict functions
3. Alliance formation and conflict

(B) Political Economy of Conflict and Power in Modern Societies

4. Anarchy and predation
5. The power of the state
6. The distribution of power in the private economy
7. The conflict economics of rent seeking

(C) On Belligerent Transformations of the Social Order

8. On the incentives to revolt
9. The economics of terrorism
10. The political economy of war