International Politics Research Seminar 2008/09
Semester One

October 2
Matthew Fluck, “‘What's the use of truth?' Conceptions of truth in the development of critical international thought’
Discussant, Dr Paul Maddrell

October 9
Prof Richard Wyn Jones, ‘Plaid Cymru: Political Party Meets Social Movement’

October 16
Jan Ruzicka, ‘Politics, Security and Revolution’
Discussant, Dr Richard Jackson

October 23
Huw Dylan, ‘The Joint Intelligence Bureau: topographic, economic and military intelligence for Britain's Cold War, 1946-1964’
Discussant, Dr Graeme Davies

October 30
Iain Wilson, ‘Are Exchange Programmes Effective as Public Diplomacy? Gauging the political impact of a student exchange programme’
Discussant, Prof Howard Williams

November 6
No IPRS; Inaugural Professorial Lecture, Prof. Jenny Edkins, ‘Objects Among Objects’

November 13
Claudia Hillebrand, ‘European counter-terrorism policing and its challenges for democratic legitimacy: The case of Europol’
Discussant, Dr Ayla Gol

November 20
Stephan Petzold, ‘Power and historical truth: the origins of the First World War as a ‘scientific field’’
Discussant, Dr Lucy Taylor

November 27
No IPRS; Annual Lecture, Centre for Intelligence and International Security Studies (CIISS), Lord Robin Butler, ‘Lessons from the Butler Review of Intelligence on WMD’

December 4
Willem Dekker, ‘Winged Victory: Testing Denial Theory’s Causal Logic’
Discussant, Dr Owain Williams

December 11
Ludwig Gelot, ‘Religion in International Politics’
Discussant, Dr Simon Rushton
Semester Two

January 15  Laura Lima, ‘The Concept of Security in Brazil’
*Discussant*, Dr Phillippe Bourbeau

January 22  Jennifer Pedersen, ‘Sisters Resist! Women’s Peace Activism in West Africa and North America’
*Discussant*, Dr Simona Rentea

January 29  Dr Patrick Finney, ‘D-Day 2004: Collective Memory and the Long Second World War’

February 5  Daniel McCarthy, ‘The Internet in American Foreign Policy’
*Discussant*, Dr Marie Breen Smyth

February 12  Joao Reis Nunes, ‘Rethinking Emancipation: Subjectivity, Truth and Power in Critical Security Studies’
*Discussant*, Prof Martin Alexander

February 19  No IPRS (ISA week)

February 26  Prof Chris Reus-Smit (Australia National University), ‘Individual Rights Transformed World Politics’

March 5  Laura Routley, ‘Corruption and the Governing of NGOs in Eastern Nigeria’
*Discussant*, Dr Janine Clark

March 10  Inaugural Professorial Lecture, Prof Nicholas Wheeler, ‘Nuclear Abolition: Trust Building’s Greatest Challenge’

March 12  Aylin Ozet, ‘Security and Civil Society in Turkey’
*Discussant*, Dr Jeroen Gunning

March 19  Marjanna Jauhola, ‘Becoming ‘Men’ and ‘Women’: Negotiating Norms through Gender Mainstreaming Initiatives in Nanggroe Aceh Darussalam, Indonesia’
*Discussant*, Prof Hidemi Suganami
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