Theories of International Cooperation

Kern-Hauptseminar, WS 2005/2006

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Time and Place:	1. Termin 13.01.	10 12	Ihnestraße 21-E Ihnestraße 21-A
	2. Termin 20.01.	_	Ihnestraße 22-UG1 Ihnestraße 22-UG2
	3. Termin 27.01.	14-16	Ihnestraße 21-E Ihnestraße 21-A Ihnestraße 21-B
	4. Termin 03.02.	14-16	Ihnestraße 21-E Ihnestraße 21-A Ihnestraße 21-B
	5. Termin 10.02.	10 12	Ihnestraße 21-E Ihnestraße 21-A

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Overview: Rationalist, Neo-Liberal, Actor-Centered, Historical, Sociological, and Constructivist Institutionalism: There are by now so many institutionalisms in political science in general and in International Relations in particular that it is hard to keep up with the theoretical developments. This seminar tries to introduce some order in the debate on and among the various institutionalisms in international relations. It covers both the history of institutionalist reasoning and the most recent developments in theory-building. Particular emphasis will be given to the controversy between rationalist (or neo-liberal) institutionalism, on the one hand, and constructivist or sociological institutionalism, on the other. The seminar is designed as complementary *Kern-Hauptseminar* to the lecture on "International Institutions, Organizations, and Cooperation" for the Masters Program in International Relations and as a *Kern-Hauptseminar* in the *Wahlpflichtbereich International Relations* of the FU's diploma program.

<u>Required Readings</u> can be purchased at the Copy-Shop Brümmerstr. 40 / Ecke Thielallee in early November.

<u>Format</u>: The seminar will be taught in English.

Requirements: Regular Participation, Presentation and Essay or Paper or Exam (for a Teilnahmenschein: Regular Participation and Presentation). Presentation topics will be assigned before the start of the course. The essays, papers and exams will have to be written in English.

Schedule and Required Readings

13.01.06 Introduction and Overview

<u>Historical Approaches to International Cooperation: Idealism, Functionalism</u> **Required Readings**

- Angell, Norman, The Foundations of International Peace, London 1914, ch. 1
- Mitrany, David, A Working Peace System, Chicago 1966 (1944), ch. 1
- 20.01. Simulation: Institution Building
- 27.01. Rationalist Approaches to International Cooperation

Structural Realism and Hegemonic Stability Theory

Required Readings

- Mearsheimer, John J., *The Tragedy of Great Power Politics*, New York 2001, ch. 2
- Snidal, Duncan, "The Limits of Hegemonic Stability Theory," in *International Organization*, Vol. 39, 1985, S. 579-614

Neoliberal Institutionalism and Regime Analysis

Required Readings

- Krasner, Stephen D., "Structural causes and regime consequences: regimes as intervening variables," in Krasner (ed.), *International Regimes*, Ithaca 1983, S. 1-21
- Keohane, Robert O., "The Demand for International Regimes," in Keohane, *International Institutions and State Power*, Boulder CO 1989, pp. 101-131

<u>Domestic Politics and International Cooperation: The Logic of Two-Level Games</u> **Required Readings**

- Putnam, Robert, "Diplomacy and Domestic Politics. The Logic of Two-Level Games," *International Organization*, Vol. 42, No. 3, 1988
- Moravcsik, Andrew, "Taking Preferences Seriously: A Liberal Theory of International Politics," *International Organization*, Vol. 51, No. 4, 1999

Debates I: The Neo-Neo Debate

Required Readings

- Grieco, Joseph, "Anarchy and the Limits of Cooperation: A Realist Critique of the Newest Liberal Institutionalism" (1988), in Baldwin (ed.), *Neorealism and Neoliberalism. The Contemporary Debate*, New York 1993, pp. 116-140
- Keohane, Robert, "Institutional Theory and the Realist Challenge After the Cold War," *ibid.*, pp. 269-300

Constructivism and Beyond

Constructivism and Its Neighbors

Required Readings

- Wendt, Alexander, "Anarchy is What States Make of It," *International Organization*, Vol. 46, No. 2, 1992, pp. 391-425
- Bull, Hedley, *The Anarchical Society* (1977), 2nd ed., New York 1995, ch. 1, 2

Debates II: Rational Choice v. Constructivism

Required Readings

- Keohane, Robert, "International Institutions: Two Approaches," in Keohane, *International Institutions and State Power*, Boulder CO 1989, pp. 158-179
- Fearon, John/Wendt, Alexander, "Rationalism v. Constructivism," in Carlnaes, Risse, Simmons (eds.), *Handbook of International Relations*, pp. 52-72

Actor-Centered Constructivism, Arguing, and Social Learning

Required Readings

- Haas, Peter M., "Introduction: epistemic communities and international policy coordination," *International Organization*, Vol. 46, No. 1, 1992, pp. 1-35
- Risse, Thomas, "Let's Argue! Communicative Action in World Politics," *International Organization*, Vol. 54, No. 1, 2000, pp. 1-39

Debates III: Constructivism and Critical Theory

Required Readings

- Laffey, Mark/Weldes, Jutta, "Beyond Belief. Ideas and Symbolic Technologies in the Study of International Relations," *European Journal of International Relations*, Vol. 3, No. 2, 1997, pp. 193-237
- Cox, Robert W., "Social Forces, States, and World Orders: Beyond International Relations Theory," in Keohane (ed.), *Neorealism and its Critics*, New York 1986, pp. 204-254

10.02.

Attempts at Theoretical Bridge-Building

Bridging Critical Theory and Constructivism

Required Readings

- Price, Richard/Reus-Smit, Christian, "Dangerous Liaison? Critical International Theory and Constructivism," *European Journal of International Relaions*, Vol. 4, No. 3, 1998, pp. 259-294
- Risse, Thomas, "Constructivism and International Institutions: Toward Conversations across Paradigms," in Katznelson, Milner (eds.), *Political Science. State of the Discipline*, New York 2002, pp. 597-623

Concluding Discussion