“Research universities in general, and Columbia in particular, are—or should be—major contributors in the effort to address the global challenges we must meet now and in the future to preserve and better our world. The Global Policy Initiative blends the best of academic research with serious engagement on specific issues and problems facing the world.”

President Lee C. Bollinger
Columbia University in the City of New York
In its second year, the Columbia Global Policy Initiative expanded university-wide engagement on global policy issues, significantly increased our support for faculty and student research, and strengthened Columbia’s presence in global policy making. We welcomed four new Columbia faculty-led projects into the Initiative that span issues of global economic governance, government declassification of information, refugee healthcare in complex emergencies, and antitrust law. In total, the Columbia Global Policy Initiative now supports or is affiliated with 13 projects led by 23 Columbia faculty members or affiliated experts. Each project is conducting vital research and advocacy to assist citizens and policymakers in answering today’s pressing global challenges.

We expanded our financial assistance to Columbia University students and launched a new Undergraduate Global Policy Fellowship program. Fellowships were awarded to rising seniors conducting global, policy-oriented research for their senior theses in a variety of different disciplines. We selected eight fellows from the Class of 2016 who are researching policy problems ranging from the impact of ecotourism on the health of ecosystems to the political and social environments that foster worker-owned cooperatives.

We sponsored events on key global challenges, including international migration and refugee governance, mass atrocities prevention and the Responsibility to Protect, and the treatment of non-communicable diseases in emergency situations. We published a report on the future of the Responsibility to Protect in cooperation with the Government of Brazil, the University of São Paulo, and the Columbia Global Center-Rio de Janeiro. Our new website—globalpolicy.columbia.edu—launched in November 2015. We have also been fortunate to secure a number of grants to support our current projects and fund student research fellowships.

The Columbia Global Policy Initiative is committed to continuing our support of faculty and student global policy research in the coming year, expanding our engagement with policy-making, and delivering concrete policy outcomes.
In our increasingly globalized world, serious problems of global significance—whether disease, destabilizing economies, mass atrocities, a deteriorating environment, public security or the quality of governance—need to be addressed comprehensively. They require the highest standards of disciplinary and interdisciplinary expertise and a commitment to finding practical solutions that both work and support local accountability. Only a great university can serve as the foundation for this quality of applied research.

The Columbia Global Policy Initiative, as conceived by President Lee C. Bollinger and led by founding director Professor Michael W. Doyle, brings together eminent Columbia faculty members from the widest range of relevant disciplines. These experts not only address global problems comprehensively, building on the relevant range of scholarly expertise, but also find effective ways of influencing global policy by engaging stakeholders and public policymakers. We see this as a unique venture, combining the best of independent, objective academic research with the best policy analysis and all tied closely to the implementation of policy recommendations.

The Columbia Global Policy Initiative is:

- Project-focused, searching for applied solutions;
- Research-based, drawing on in-depth, rigorous analyses;
- Multidisciplinary, combining arts and science with the expertise of the professional schools;
- Multi-university, welcoming co-sponsored projects, nationally and globally;
- And responsive to the needs and voices of stakeholders.

The foundation of the Columbia Global Policy Initiative’s work is strong, faculty-led research. Today, the Initiative is affiliated with or supports 13 projects. These projects are led by Columbia University faculty members and experts, many in partnership with other universities or institutions. The leadership of each project serves as Columbia Global Policy Initiative Project Directors. Together, the Project Directors help guide the work and growth of the Initiative. The Columbia Global Policy Initiative also has an Advisory Council comprised of eminent and respected world leaders.
Our Project Directors are leading faculty members and experts from Columbia University and around the world. Through world-class research and expert knowledge, they are tackling today’s most urgent global policy issues.

Project Directors

Archives Without Borders
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Columbia Global Freedom of Expression
Agnes Callamard & Lee C. Bollinger (Founder)

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Responding to Changing Health Needs in Complex Emergencies
Miriam Rabkin & Neil G. Boothby

UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network
Jeffrey Sachs
Archives Without Borders

Archives Without Borders is a new project of the Columbia Global Policy Initiative. Led by Professors Matthew Connelly, Renato Rocha Souza, and Michael Moss, the project aims to improve the efficiency of government data declassification and to ensure public access to declassified data.

The massive volume of digital documents produced by governments is overwhelming archivists and officials charged with reviewing material for declassification. Without new technologies to prioritize documents that require close scrutiny, less of the official record will be publicly available, reducing opportunities for policy-relevant research and jeopardizing the principal of freedom of information. Archives Without Borders brings together a multidisciplinary team from Brazil, the UK, and the US uniquely suited to address this challenge and advance practical solutions. Fundação Getulio Vargas, a Brazilian social science and information technology institution, houses a large digital collection of official government papers and conducts cutting-edge research on information storage and retrieval. Project Abacá, a partnership between the Universities of Glasgow and Northumbria, conducts research on sensitivity review by experts in British archives and government review processes. The Declassification Engine project at Columbia University has built the largest single repository of declassified US government documents along with natural language processing and machine learning tools to mine this data for new insights about the history and future of world politics. Together these teams will collaborate to produce novel and impactful public policy research, build an international web-based archive, and develop cutting-edge analysis tools to assist declassification review and empower individual researchers.

The project has met with various key policymakers and experts in declassification and document review. At the US National Archives, the team presented new methods that can be used to build a “nuclear classifier” that, given a document, would attempt to say how likely it is to contain “nuclear related information.” The method addresses a specific policy problem that has created a bottleneck in declassification. They also attended the public meeting of the Public Interest Declassification Board—a group jointly appointed by Congress and the President to advise on policy—which has been advocating the use of new technologies in aiding the declassification process. The project will present their research at a future meeting of the Public Interest Declassification Board.

Policy Goals

- Promote greater transparency by demonstrating the effectiveness of new methods for exploring extremely large document collections.
- Create tools that might assist governments with sensitivity review.
- Build a large, accessible, international archive of declassified government documents.

Publications


Meetings & Events

- Declassification in the Age of Big Data—Conference and Public Panel, 2 October 2015
- Planning Meetings with FGV team, Summer 2015
- Steering Committee Meeting, May 2015

Funding Support

Catherine T. and John D. MacArthur Foundation
Columbia Global Policy Initiative
Columbia Global Freedom of Expression

Affiliated with the Columbia Global Policy Initiative in 2013, Columbia Global Freedom of Expression was established by Columbia University President Lee C. Bollinger to promote international norms and institutions that protect the free flow of information in an increasingly inter-connected global community facing major global challenges. To achieve its mission, Columbia Global Freedom of Expression undertakes and commissions research and policy projects, organizes events and conferences, and participates in and contributes to global debates on the protection of freedom of expression and information in the twenty-first century. Based in the Office of the President, Columbia Global Freedom of Expression collaborates with the Columbia Global Policy Initiative on select projects of mutual concern.

One such project is the Jurisprudence Project, which focuses on the role of the institutions of justice in implementing norms that protect freedom of expression and the free flow of information. The Jurisprudence Project seeks to determine the extent to which justice institutions around the world are referencing international norms and standards and approaching information and expression as global in nature and a human right.

With a global network of experts, the Jurisprudence Project surveys jurisprudence around the world; critically reviews exemplary cases; engages in comparative analysis; and determines national, regional, and global trends. Findings are housed on an electronic platform, which serves as a virtual legal treaty with up-to-date comparative jurisprudential information, quantitative and qualitative analysis of trends on core freedom of expression issues, maps and interactive tools, blogs, and a collection of online resources for further research. The Global Case Law Database was launched in June 2015 and currently hosts over 460 analyses of judicial decisions from more than 65 countries with 20 to 30 new cases being added each month.

Over the past year, Columbia Global Freedom of Expression focused on furthering this Jurisprudence Project. In March, President Bollinger awarded the inaugural “Columbia Global Freedom of Expression Prizes,” which are the first prizes recognizing judicial decisions and legal representation around the world that strengthen freedom of expression by promoting international legal norms.

Policy Goals

- Produce up-to-date comparative law information and analysis on a range of core freedom of expression issues and disseminate them broadly.
- Provide an analysis of positive legal precedents to facilitate their use in the promotion of freedom of expression.
- Contribute to the development of an integrated and progressive jurisprudence and understanding of freedom of expression and information around the world.
- Promote the acceptance of progressive legal rules regarding freedom of expression by a range of courts.

Meetings & Events

- Strengthening a Global Perspective on University Teaching on Freedom of Expression, Freedom of the Media and Information, 15-16 October 2015
- Roundtable Discussions on Countering and Responding to Incitement to Hatred that May Result in Violence, in collaboration with the UN Office for the Prevention of Genocide, Morocco (May 2015); Italy (September 2015); Jordan (November 2015)
- Judges Training with Centro de Estudios Judiciales, Uruguay, 21-22 September 2015
- Prevention, Deradicalization, Rehabilitation, and Reintegration of Children and Youth Affected by Violent Extremism, in cooperation with the Qatar Mission to the UN, 31 August 2015
- Columbia Global Freedom of Expression Prizes Award Ceremony, 11 March 2015
- Justice for Free Expression Annual Conference, 10-11 March 2015

Funding Support

- ARTICLE 19; Ford Foundation; Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs; Open Society Foundations
Columbia Global Reports

Professor and Dean Emeritus of Columbia Journalism School Nicholas Lemann associated his project, Columbia Global Reports, with the Columbia Global Policy Initiative in 2013. Columbia Global Reports publishes in-depth investigations of pressing global policy issues and trends. Every year Columbia Global Reports will publish four to six reports each devoted to a single topic. Each report is meant to function as a major statement on an important issue, something that has the potential to change the conversation, through new information, new analysis, memorable expression, or, in the best cases, all three. Some reports will be by journalists and will be more reportorial and on-the-ground, some will be by scholars, and some will be by partnerships of journalists and scholars.

Columbia Global Reports published its first three books in fall 2015 on the topics of remaining risk in the global financial system, China as a tech innovator, and global citizenship and statelessness. They are available as paperbacks (at $12.99) and e-books ($8.99) in bookstores around the country as well as on Amazon and other online booksellers. Two of the three will be published as audiobooks by Audible. Events at Columbia and other venues in New York City and Washington, DC are planned around the publication of the books.

Policy Goal

Publish in-depth investigations that function as major statements on important global policy issues with the potential to change the conversation through new information, new analysis, memorable expression, or all three.

Meetings & Events

Global Citizenship: A Discussion with Atossa Araxia Abrahamian, 17 November 2015
Columbia Global Reports partnered with the Committee on Global Thought to host a conversation about global citizenship and statelessness. Participants included Atossa Araxia Abrahamian, author of their third fall book, THE COSMOPOLITES: The Coming of the Global Citizen; Columbia Professor Rosalind Morris; and acclaimed novelist Joseph O’Neill. Nicholas Lemann moderated.

Book Talk—SHAKY GROUND: The Strange Saga of the U.S. Mortgage Giants, 15 September 2015
Columbia Global Reports hosted a discussion in Low Library with Bethany McLean, the author of their first book, SHAKY GROUND: The Strange Saga of the U.S. Mortgage Giants. Bethany was joined in the conversation by William Ackman and Franklin Raines. President Lee C. Bollinger hosted the event and Nicholas Lemann moderated the panel discussion. A book signing and reception followed.
University Professor of Economics, Business and International Affairs Joseph E. Stiglitz pursues research on the determinants and costs of inequality, and policies that would reduce it. He has authored or co-authored several books and papers on the subject, including *Rewriting the Rules of the American Economy* (2015), *The Great Divide* (2015), and *The Price of Inequality* (2012). He has analyzed how inequality leads to economic instability and to economic inefficiency by, for example, preventing many youth from fulfilling their potential. With his research colleagues, Professor Stiglitz has been developing a broad "equality-growth-efficiency" agenda that reduces the scope for rent-seeking and other market distortions that contribute to inequality, and increases equality of opportunity by pursuing a comprehensive rewriting of the rules of the American economy. Ongoing work with colleagues in Europe is extending this framework there.

A major set of papers providing a new framework for the analysis of the determinants of the distribution of income and wealth was issued by the National Bureau of Economic Research, of which Professor Stiglitz is a Research Associate. Efforts to influence the UN to establish a goal of reducing inequality among the Sustainable Development Goals were largely successful.

Professor Stiglitz also serves as the Chief Economist to the Roosevelt Institute, a think-tank based in New York. He collaborated with the Institute to write the book, *Rewriting the Rules of the American Economy*. Also, Professor Stiglitz’s report “Fed Policy, Inequality, and Equality of Opportunity,” presented at a meeting at the Federal Reserve, examines monetary policy’s role in income and wealth distribution.

Several conferences on inequality were conducted through the Initiative for Policy Dialogue, in conjunction with the Roosevelt Institute, several foundations, the International Labour Organization (ILO), and various European institutions. The OECD High Level Expert Group on the Measurement of Economic Performance and Social Progress, the successor of the Stiglitz-Sen-Fitoussi Commission of the same name, co-chaired by Stiglitz, has centered much of its recent efforts on the measurement of inequality and inequality of opportunity. Stiglitz served as a Commissioner of the Independent Commission for the Reform of International Corporate Taxation, which issued its report in Trento in June 2015 and at the UN Finance for Development Conference at Addis Ababa in July 2015.

Columbia Business School, SIPA, and the Provost’s Office of Columbia University supported a conference on The Just Society, in celebration of 50 years of Professor Stiglitz’s teaching, with a focus on inequality. This conference included participants from academia and senior officials, past and present, from the US government and international organizations.

**Policy Goals**

Further develop the broad “equality-growth-efficiency” agenda described above.

Extend this agenda to Europe.

Ensure that this agenda is incorporated in the political platforms of those presidential candidates that are concerned about inequality.

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**Costs of Inequality**


**Meetings & Events**

*The Welfare State and the Fight Against Inequality*, 8-9 November 2015

*The Consequences of Economic Inequality for Economic Performance*, 2-3 December 2014

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**Project Staff**

Joseph E. Stiglitz

Director

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Founder and Co-President, Initiative for Policy Dialogue

Commissioner, Independent Commission for the Reform of International Corporate Taxation (ICRICT)

Member, World Bank Council of Eminent Persons

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Does Antitrust Policy Promote Market Performance and Competitiveness?

Over the past three decades, antitrust laws have proliferated across the globe. International institutions and governments have promoted antitrust policy as an important regulatory tool to enhance competitiveness and market performance. However, there is scant empirical evidence that these policies actually work and that their adoption promotes an efficient use of scarce public resources. This project seeks to provide a solid theoretical and empirical foundation for this policy question. The project will develop a novel dataset on antitrust laws and enforcement across time and jurisdictions. The study offers a major contribution to policymakers who need to understand the benefits of these laws, and the elements of the laws or enforcement actions that have the greatest impact on competitiveness. The project will also test how optimal design of antitrust policy depends on variables, such as a country’s level of development and existing governance infrastructure.

### Policy Goals

- Help emerging antitrust regimes set priorities and provide new insights for more established jurisdictions on the effects of their laws and enforcement efforts.
- Allow international institutions (World Bank, IMF, OECD, UNCTAD, the EU, and others) and networks (International Competition Network) to reflect and, if needed, retool their long standing policy advice to governments.
- Help private market actors—the targets of antitrust laws—to better understand how these laws shape market outcomes, directly affecting the economic environments in which they operate.
- Make private actors better able to assess the effects of different regulatory regimes on their ability to enter and penetrate foreign markets and to adjust their investments and business strategies accordingly.

### Meetings & Events

**Conference Presentation**, Brussels, Belgium, September 2015

The team presented a paper laying out the theory and the research design for the project at a conference organized by the Netherlands Authority for Consumers and Markets, the European Commission, and the UK Competition and Markets Authority. The conference focused on the deterrence effects and the macroeconomic impact of the work of Competition Authorities, and sought to help Competition Authorities develop practical approaches towards estimating the overall impact of their work and the broader macroeconomic impact on productivity and growth.

### Funding Support

**National Science Foundation**

Columbia Global Policy Initiative
Carnegie Professor Kenneth Prewitt connected the Future of Scholarly Knowledge project (FSK) with the Columbia Global Policy Initiative in 2013. FSK, funded by Sage Publications, is a four-year effort concerned with how research universities (about three percent of the 14,000 universities and colleges worldwide) are adjusting, in large and small matters, to three forces: globalization, digitization, and commercialization. The task involves identifying key principles—such as free inquiry and publication, intellectual integrity, policing fraud, and commitment to the public good—that are put at risk as these forces challenge traditional university practices, and then recommending measures that will help protect those values in a changing academic world.

Universities are the immediate focus, but there is also attention to parallel adjustments occurring in institutions that share in the responsibility to produce and disseminate scholarly knowledge: museums, libraries, scholarly societies, and publishers. A loose global network of institutions working on issues specific to their missions is linked to the project by a shared analytic framework. Such institutions include the Mercator Foundation (Berlin), the Institute for Human Sciences (Vienna), the Social Science Research Council (New York), and the Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences (Stanford). Additional institutions will be added.

**Policy Goals**

- Identify how the forces of globalization, digitization, and commercialization affect research universities, and how research universities are adjusting.
- Highlight key principles (i.e., free inquiry and publication, commitment to the public good, policing fraud, intellectual integrity) that are put at risk as these forces challenge traditional university practices.
- Frame a science policy suitable to the changing landscape of knowledge generation and dissemination.

**Meetings & Events**

A meeting was held at the Rockefeller Conference Center in Bellagio, Italy.

**Project Staff**

Kenneth Prewitt
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**Publications**

Proceedings of the Bellagio Conference are available upon request.

**Funding Support**

Sage Publications
The Rockefeller Foundation
GHI-CGPI Seminar Series on the Intersection between Communicable and Non-communicable Diseases

Led by Wafaa El-Sadr (University Professor and Director of ICAP and the Global Health Initiative (GHI) at the Mailman School of Public Health (MSPH)) and Arthur Rubenstein (Professor and former Dean of Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania), the GHI-CGPI Seminar Series on the Intersection between Communicable (CDs) and Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs) seeks to examine widely discussed views of CD and NCD topics, reflect on them through the contexts of global public health and public policy, and identify common experiences and shared lessons that might inform approaches to improve health outcomes globally. This project was affiliated with the Columbia Global Policy Initiative in 2013.

In 2014-2015, three seminars were organized that engaged a number of relevant speakers and co-sponsors from across Columbia University. There were 14 presenters and/or panelists, from various Columbia schools, departments and centers, as well as other organizations such as the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and the Vitality Institute.

For the 2015-2016 academic year, project staff continues to plan seminars on potential topics, such as injuries, urban health, building upon the lessons of HIV treatment, and more. The project continues to develop a compendium of all the seminar discussions, which incorporates new information and learnings from each seminar. The compendium aims to extend the impact of the seminars’ rich discussions beyond the project timeline.

policy goals

Promote new dialogue and debate among the global community regarding the ongoing and looming threats from non-communicable diseases.

Identify common experiences/shared lessons from communicable diseases and other areas of public health that may help inform the current non-communicable disease agenda.

Project Staff

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**Chandana Adhikarla, MD**
Student Coordinator

Publications


The Seminar Series on NCD: Compendium of Seminar Proceedings (forthcoming) will include discussion highlights, presentations, CVs, and a bibliography.

Meetings & Events

**Precision Medicine or Population Health**, May 2015
This event sought to define, explore, and debate precision medicine and population health and their roles in helping advance health outcomes around the world.

**Global Obesity Epidemic: Implications for low income countries**, April 2015
From industrialized nations to emerging economies, worldwide obesity in adults has more than doubled since 1980, with nearly 40% of adults overweight, 13% obese, and an estimated 42 million children under 5 years overweight or obese. From a global health perspective, Dr. El-Sadr presented on current contexts, projected trends, and health consequences of the obesity and overweight epidemic.

As a follow-up event to the very successful June 2014 “Responding to Humanitarian Emergencies: New Imperatives” event, this seminar featured Paul Spiegel MD, MPH, Deputy Director, Division Support and Management of the Office of the UN High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), who provided updates on the Syrian crisis and its effects on refugee health specifically related to NCDs; refugee access and utilization of NCD-related health services as provided by UNHCR and partners; and lessons learned and recommendations to enhance health delivery.
Harmonizing Standards in Armed Conflict

Law Professor Sarah Cleveland and Visiting Law Professor Sir Daniel Bethlehem associated their project, Harmonizing Standards in Armed Conflict, with the Initiative in 2013. Their particular focus is to raise the standards of protection for both combatants and civilians in conflicts between states and insurgent armed groups, by applying rules developed for armed conflicts between states to all armed conflicts. The project draws upon an international group of experts in the law of armed conflict and human rights from the US, Canada, the UK, the Netherlands, Australia, and the International Committee of the Red Cross.

The project is completing its final report, due at the end of 2015, with the conclusions of the project’s three-year review of the rules of armed conflict, as well as a proposed model declaration and legal framework that individual states or groups of states could adopt unilaterally to apply to all armed conflicts. In the coming year, the project will engage in conversation with interested states and other stakeholders regarding refinement and potential adoption of the model regime.

The authors are also exploring initiating a second phase of the Harmonization Project that would examine the role of human rights law in situations of armed conflict, as a potential joint partnership between the Columbia Law School Human Rights Institute, the University of Melbourne Law School, and the Australian Ministry of Defense.

Policy Goals

- Raise the standards of protection for both combatants and civilians in conflicts between states and insurgent armed groups by applying rules developed for armed conflicts between states to all armed conflicts.
- Propose a model declaration and legal framework that individual states or groups of states could adopt unilaterally to clarify protections in all armed conflicts.
- Engage with interested states and other stakeholders regarding refinement and potential adoption of the model regime.

Meeting & Events

Steering Committee Meeting, October 2014
In October 2014, the project leaders hosted the fifth meeting of the Harmonization Project’s steering committee in New York.

Annual Roundtable of the International Institute of Humanitarian Law, Sanremo, Italy, August 2015
The project leaders also continued to consult with many outside experts, including representatives of civil society and US and foreign governments, in refining the project’s analysis.

Funding Support
The project is currently pursuing funding for the second phase of the Harmonization Project from several sources.

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Directed by Professor Michael W. Doyle and Mr. Gregory A. Maniatis, the Columbia Global Policy Initiative launched its project on international migration in 2013. The project consists of two main areas of work: support for the United Nations Special Representative of the Secretary-General for International Migration, and a project to draft a Model Treaty on International Mobility.

The project has worked with Sir Peter Sutherland, the UN Special Representative of the Secretary-General for International Migration (SRSG) since 2013. Now in his 10th year, the SRSG is working to assess how international cooperation can improve the outcomes of migration for states and fully realize migrants’ human rights. In a forthcoming report to the UN Secretary-General, the SRSG will define the most urgent areas for action by governments and other relevant stakeholders, focusing principally on institutional change and innovation. The Columbia Global Policy Initiative serves as the secretariat for this report and will host a consultation meeting for the report at Columbia University in spring 2016.

In 2015, the project also launched a new effort to draft a Model Treaty on International Mobility. The goal of the model treaty is to both reassert and reaffirm the existing rights afforded to mobile people and corresponding rights and responsibilities of states as well as to expand those basic rights where warranted to address the growing gaps in protection and responsibility that are leaving people vulnerable. With the assistance of a commission of high-level academic experts, the project will provide a model international legal and normative architecture that addresses the rights of all mobile people. The project will host a series of workshops with the commission of academic experts to draft and debate the model treaty with support from the Open Society Foundations–International Migration Initiative.

In support of the SRSG’s report to the Secretary-General, the International Migration project has facilitated and participated in over 60 consultations with experts, including:

- Expert Consultation on the SRSG’s Report, Refugee Studies Centre at Oxford University, 17-18 September 2015

Project Staff

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Policy Goals

- Formulate new rules for migration that can benefit migrants as well as states of origin, transit, and destination.
- Demonstrate that the liabilities and inefficiencies of migration can be curbed while its quality and outcomes can be significantly improved through smarter policies.
- Contribute to a new normative and legal agenda on international mobility that further entrenches the rights of mobile people and addresses the gaps in current international legal regimes.

Meetings & Events

First Meeting of the Model Treaty on International Mobility, Open Society Foundations, 24 July 2015

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- Carnegie Corporation of New York
- John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation
- Open Society Foundations–International Migration Initiative
- The Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation

Publications

- “A brief chance for Europe to rescue its integrity,” Peter Sutherland, Financial Times, 2 September 2015.
- “Europe’s Race to the Bottom on Refugees,” Peter Sutherland, Project Syndicate, 24 June 2015.
- “A Safer Path to Asylum,” Peter Sutherland, Project Syndicate, 17 March 2015.


Rising national income and wealth inequalities are two of the dominant adverse trends that the world has experienced over the past three to four decades. Since this coincides with consolidation of the “second globalization,” an obvious question to ask is to what extent the rules that formally or informally govern the global economy—or the lack of them—are basic determinants of these trends. This implies putting together two brands of ongoing research and debates—those that relate to global rules and growing national inequalities—to analyze the interactions between the two and draw lessons of how global governance arrangements must be reformed to counteract these trends. The project aims to enhance the understanding of this issue and the associated global debate by creating a Task Force in the tradition of the Initiative for Policy Dialogue at Columbia University. The Task Force will have three specific outputs: a major conference involving the relevant multilateral institutions, a volume collecting the papers prepared for the project, and a stand-alone policy report that summarizes the major conclusions of the project and that will be widely disseminated among policymakers. Thus far, the project has convened two conferences—one on capital flows and a second on new paths for development. The project will organize two additional conferences in winter 2016.

Policy Goals

- To enhance the capacity of countries to manage international capital flows in order to moderate boom-bust financial cycles.
- To regulate tax competition and improve tax cooperation, permitting countries to adopt more progressive tax systems and increase tax revenues essential to finance redistributive social policies.
- To design international investment agreements that can support the capacity of governments to introduce needed social and environmental regulations.
- To assist countries in their efforts to appropriate a larger share of natural resource rents and diversify their production base through better international trade and investment rules.
- To constrain excessive claims to intellectual property rights in order to reduce the costs of life-saving medicines, environmental protection and agricultural technologies (e.g., access to improved seeds).

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Publications

“"A Defeat for International Tax Cooperation”, José Antonio Ocampo, Project Syndicate, 4 August 2015.


Meetings & Events

Conference on Capital Flow, Lessons from the Emerging Countries and the Lesson for China, Beijing, China, 24-25 August 2015

Conference on Exploring New Paths for Development: Experiences from Latin America and China, Beijing, China, 28-29 August 2015

Funding Support

Ford Foundation  
Columbia Global Policy Initiative
The Politics of Memory in Global Context

George Sansom Professor of History Carol Gluck and Dr. Brigitte Sion linked the policy portions of their transnational research project, The Politics of Memory in Global Context, to the Columbia Global Policy Initiative in 2013. Conducted at Columbia under the Committee on Global Thought, this Franco-American collaboration addresses both the scholarly and political aspects of the formation and management of public memory in societies around the world. It brings together scholars in social science, neuroscience, and curators of historical museums from the US, Europe, East and South Asia, the Middle East, and Latin America to identify the commonalities and connections in contemporary memory politics and to develop appropriate and politically practical ways of dealing with national and social pasts, however dark or difficult. Pressing issues in the geopolitics of memory treated by the project include the current tensions among China, Korea, and Japan relating to the public memory of World War II; between the old and new members of the EU concerning conflicting memories of war and communism; within post-conflict societies in the aftermath of civil war; and others. The goal is twofold: to produce a more sophisticated analysis of the processes of memory politics, and to generate specific proposals for better political management of the divisive memories within and between countries, which too often let ill-considered views of the past block the path toward a better envisioned and constructive future.

Over the past few decades much of the heated politics of memory has taken place in civil society with governments and international organizations playing a largely reactive role. On the premise that memory politics within and between nations should be subject to the kind of policy deliberations accorded other political issues, the project is developing politically practical proposals for the management of public memory in specific national and international contexts. Building on four years of interdisciplinary, transnational research that takes into account the impact of global norms, domestic political conditions, and trends in popular memory; the project focused in 2014-15 on two cases: 1) the latest turmoil over the memory of victims of the dictatorship in Argentina, and 2) Japan’s “history problem” in East Asia during the 70th anniversary commemorations of the end of World War II.

To support this work, the Columbia Global Policy Initiative funded an Adjunct Associate Research Scholar appointment at the Committee on Global Thought for Dr. Brigitte Sion for the 2014-2015 academic year.

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Publications


“On the Abe Statement,” Carol Gluck, Asahi shinbun, 16 August 2015.


Témoins et Témoignages, Denis Peschanski & Brigitte Sion (eds), Paris: Herman, (forthcoming).

Meetings & Events

Restitution, Compensation, and Justice: The Lessons of the Holocaust, Rutgers University, 27 May 2015

Reporting on the “Comfort Women”: The Experiences of a Journalist Now Fighting a Backlash, 4 May 2015

Time and Trauma: Memory in Global Perspective, Istanbul and Amman, 17-18 April 2015

Time and Trauma: Transgenerational Memories of Mass Suffering, Istanbul, Turkey, 16 April 2015

The Politics of Memory in East Asia and Eastern Europe Today, 27 February 2015

Changing Memories of World War II, 70 Years after 1945, Japan Society, 26 February 2015

Remembering Across Time: Psychological Studies of the Two World Wars in Transgenerational Memory, the Columbia Global Center, Europe in Paris, 8 January 2015

Global Memory Culture and the “Comfort Women”: World War Two after Seventy Years, Tokyo, Japan, 17 December 2014

Crimson in the Background: Remembering History in the 9/11 Museum, 5 November 2014

Remembering the Past in Public: A Conversation, National September 11 Memorial Museum, 4 November 2014

Funding Support

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Responding to Changing Health Needs in Complex Emergencies

By end-2014, nearly 60 million people were forcibly displaced worldwide, the most in recorded history. The Middle East and Eastern Mediterranean regions are displacement epicenters, with nearly 3.8 million Syrian refugees in Lebanon, Jordan, and Turkey. The crisis has critical health implications for Syria and surrounding host countries, and highlights broader issues about changing health needs in complex emergencies worldwide.

While relief agencies and health organizations traditionally focus on provision of shelter, access to food and water, prevention of infectious diseases, and treatment of acute illnesses, today’s displaced persons (DPs) also need access to a broader range of health services, including management and treatment of non-communicable diseases. Another key difference from many past crises is that, across the region, fewer than ten percent of DPs are in refugee camps, requiring innovative approaches to service delivery in urban settings.

This project will focus on the specific issue of Syrian refugees in Turkey, Jordan, and Lebanon, but the work will have broad generalizability. The project aims to influence policy by providing a compelling, evidence-based argument that current frameworks for refugee health are not optimally configured for twenty-first century needs, and that there is an opportunity to enhance health services for displaced persons worldwide.

In the coming year, the project plans to undertake a situational analysis to identify key policy gaps and opportunities. This project will include a “desk review” of existing data on the burden of disease amongst Syrian DPs, their access to care and treatment services, and systems of care in camp and non-camp settings. Additional activities will include key informant interviews and case studies of innovative chronic care and urban health programs.

**Policy Goals**

- Describe gaps between currently available refugee health services and the burden of disease amongst refugees, with a focus on Syrian refugees in Turkey, Jordan, and Lebanon.
- Explore the intersections of refugee health and urban health in the Middle East and Turkey.
- Identify opportunities to better align refugee health services and health needs.
- Generate specific proposals for integration of chronic disease services into refugee health programs, drawing upon experiences and lessons from other public health programs.

**Meetings & Events**

**Changing Health Needs in the Middle East and Turkey**, Mailman School of Public Health, 25 June 2015

Project faculty participated in a panel discussion. The event highlighted the project, as well as the work of six regional scholars who discussed refugee health and the growing burden of non-communicable diseases. More than 50 people attended the event, which was also live-streamed and recorded.
Professor of Sustainable Development and Director of the Earth Institute Jeffrey Sachs developed the United Nations Sustainable Development Solutions Network (UN SDSN) under the auspices of United Nations Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon. The project was affiliated with the Columbia Global Policy Initiative in 2013. This “knowledge network” on sustainable development mobilizes scientific and technical expertise from academia, civil society, and the private sector in support of sustainable development problem solving at local, national, and global scales. The Earth Institute houses the secretariat of the SDSN and its scientists play a core role in the global network.

United Nations Sustainable Development Solutions Network

Create and expand a sustainable development “knowledge network” made up of hundreds of universities worldwide that work together to advance cutting-edge solutions to the complex challenges of sustainable development. Accelerate joint learning and help to overcome the compartmentalization of technical and policy work by promoting integrated approaches to the interconnected economic, social, and environmental challenges confronting the world. The organization and governance of the SDSN aims to enable a large number of leaders from all regions and a diverse set of backgrounds to participate in the running of the network while at the same time ensuring effective structures for decision making and accountability.

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Publications

Investment Needs to Achieve the Sustainable Development Goals: Understanding the Billions and Trillions, 28 September 2015.


Indicators and a Monitoring Framework for Sustainable Development Goals: Launching a data revolution for the SDGs, 15 May 2015.


Financing for Sustainable Development: Implementing the SDGs through Effective Investment Strategies and Partnerships, 8 April 2015.

Meetings & Events

3rd Annual International Conference on Sustainable Development, 23-24 September 2015

Global Mayors, Governors Commit to Urban Sustainable Development Agenda and Aggressive Emissions Reductions, 23 September 2015


SDSN-Youth Launch, 4 June 2015

Leadership Council Meetings, Paris (June 2015) and New York (September 2014 and 2015)

Funding Support

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Visiting Fellows

The Columbia Global Policy Initiative supported or appointed the following visiting fellows in 2015.

T. Alexander Aleinikoff, Huo Global Policy Initiative Research Fellow

Fellow at the Columbia Global Policy Initiative, with the generous support of the Huo Family Foundation (UK) Limited—Huo Global Policy Initiative Research Fellowship Fund.

Mr. Aleinikoff currently serves as Senior Advisor to the UN Secretary-General’s Chief Executive Board, co-leading an initiative on how the UN can better bridge the divide between humanitarian and development actors. Of particular focus will be preparedness and risk analysis, emergency response, resilience and resolving situations of long-term displacement for millions of persons affected by humanitarian crises each year. With the support of the Columbia Global Policy Initiative, he will examine structures, financing and policies, and make recommendations for consideration by the UN’s top leaders. He will also serve as a visiting professor at Columbia Law School in spring 2016.

Mr. Aleinikoff is the former United Nations Deputy High Commissioner for Refugees and Dean of Georgetown Law School.

Michèle Griffin, Senior Visiting Fellow

Michèle Griffin served as a senior visiting fellow at the Columbia Global Policy Initiative in summer 2015 while on sabbatical from the United Nations. She worked on a forthcoming publication, “The Exercise of Influence: The Secretary-General and Decision-Making at the United Nations.” Michèle is the Director of the Policy Planning Unit in the Executive Office of the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

Jonathan Blake, Visiting Fellow

Jonathan Blake will join the Initiative as a visiting fellow in spring 2016. His research as a visiting fellow will be a continuation of his dissertation, “Ritual Contention in Divided Societies: Participation in Loyalist Parades in Northern Ireland.”

Global Policy Faculty Grants

In 2015, the Columbia Global Policy Initiative awarded its first Global Policy Faculty Grants. Awarded annually, the Initiative seeks faculty-led projects that are:

• Applied, searching for effective solutions that can be implemented;
• Research-based, drawing on in-depth, rigorous analyses;
• Multidisciplinary, bridging departments and schools, thereby forging interdisciplinary and inter-school faculty collaborations;
• Global in nature, having cross-border origins, consequences, or implications;
• Responsive to the needs and voices of stakeholders.

Grants were awarded to four projects that are working to bridge the gap between scholarship and policy-making to address today’s global challenges. Each project was awarded a maximum of $100,000, renewable for up to three years. Congratulations and welcome to the four new Columbia Global Policy Initiative projects:

• Archives Without Borders, directed by Professors Matthew Connelly, Renato Rocha Souza, and Michael Moss.
• Responding to Changing Health Needs in Complex Emergencies, directed by Professors Miriam Rabkin and Neil G. Boothby.

Applications for the next round of Global Policy Faculty Grants will be available in winter 2015. Grants will be awarded in spring 2016. For more information, please visit globalpolicy.columbia.edu/faculty-grants.
Undergraduate Global Policy Fellowship

In 2015, the Columbia Global Policy Initiative launched a new Undergraduate Global Policy Fellowship program. Recognizing the important role of policy-oriented thinking, the Columbia Global Policy Initiative seeks to foster a greater awareness of policy-making within the research of the Columbia student body. The Fellowship and $3,000-$4,000 award are available to rising seniors conducting global, policy-oriented research for their senior theses. Applications are invited from Columbia College, the School of General Studies, and the Fu Foundation School for Engineering and Applied Sciences. Fellowships will be awarded annually.

Congratulations to the Class of 2016 Global Policy Fellows:

Eyvana Bengochea—Art History & Archaeology
Eyvana will study how public art and public space were used as tools of political expression in Nazi Germany, Stalin’s Russia, and by the French Surrealist movement.

Eleanor Goerss—Art History & Archaeology
Eleanor will travel to the Netherlands to examine the impact of seventeenth century religious diversity and public worship of minority religions on contemporary issues of coexistence, toleration, and inclusivity.

Elena Goldstein—Comparative Literature & Sociology, Middle Eastern, South Asian & African Studies
Elena will visit the Library of Alexandria to research how concepts of universal access to knowledge, open data, and access to information have evolved through the public library system.

Mallory McKeon—Ecology, Evolution & Environmental Biology
Mallory will investigate the effects of no-take marine protected areas and ecotourism on the health of local ecosystems in Fiji.

Joseph O’Donnell—Latin American & Iberian Cultures
Joseph will study the historical and contemporary causes of differing linguistic and national borders in Catalonia, Spain and the national and global consequences of neglecting linguistic minorities within an individual nation.

Nikita Perumal—Human Rights
Nikita will examine the legal and political tools available for the protection of “climate change refugees” in Vanuatu and propose recommendations to address gaps in the existing protection framework.

Zoey Poll—Urban Studies
Zoey will research the subject of mosque construction in Paris, New York, and London, and discuss how urban planning can lead to more inclusive societies, cultural exchanges, and community-building in the increasingly Islamophobic West.

Jonah Reider—Political Science
Jonah will map worker-owned cooperatives in the US and abroad to examine what social and political contexts enable successful cooperative enterprises.

Applications for the Class of 2017 Global Policy Fellowship will be available in January 2016. For more information, please visit globalpolicy.columbia.edu/undergraduate-fellowship.

Graduate Global Policy Fellowship

The Columbia Global Policy Initiative continued its support of student research with the Graduate Global Policy Fellowship program. This Fellowship was awarded to graduate and doctoral students conducting research on the international protection of human rights, sustainable development, climate change, energy and the environment, humanitarian affairs, and international conflict resolution. From 2014-2015, the Columbia Global Policy Initiative provided research fellowships funded by The Endeavor Foundation to nine students in graduate and doctoral programs at the School of International and Public Affairs, the School of Social Work, and the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences.

Research topics funded in 2014-2015 included:

Riza Aryani, Lia Cairone, and Caitlin O’Donnell—School of International and Public Affairs
The team studied the intersection of gender and ecosystem issues (preservation, sustainability, and resource use), specifically in relation to the forestry sector in Indonesia.

Anthony D’Agostino—School of International and Public Affairs
Anthony researched credit-increasing banking sector reforms and climate change exposure in India.

Caroline Doenmez—Institute for the Study of Human Rights, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences
Caroline investigated gender-based violence against aboriginal women in Canada.

Eugenie Dugoua—School of International and Public Affairs
Eugenie researched the strategic implications of geoengineering in climate change cooperation and side payments as a potential governance tool.

Eyal Frank—School of International and Public Affairs
Eyal examined wind energy expansion and its effects on bat mortality, insecticide use, and agriculture.

Jaclyn Sawyer—School of Social Work
Jaclyn studied criminal justice reform, specifically in relation to library and education programs within prison systems in Nigeria.
Congress of Vienna 2015: In Search of Principles for a Stable World Order, 22-25 October 2015

Professor Michael W. Doyle participated in the “Congress of Vienna 2015: In Search of Principles for a Stable World Order” conference in October 2015. This conference, sponsored by the Chumir Foundation for Ethics in Leadership, brought together experts to discuss current international challenges, conflicts, and opportunities for cooperation. Professor Doyle served as a moderator on the closing panel, which focused on the issue of “Proposed Rules and their Institutional Implementation.” In addition, he contributed a background paper to the conference titled, “Global Cooperation in Difficult Times.” This paper was co-authored by Alicia Evangelides (Assistant Director, Columbia Global Policy Initiative) and Dr. Christodoulos Kaoutzanis (Associate, Paul, Weiss).

Confronting the Crisis of Global Governance, Columbia University World Leaders Forum, 28 September 2015

Professor Michael W. Doyle served as a panelist for a World Leaders Forum discussion on “Justice and Security Challenges to UN and Broader Global Economic Governance Reforms.” Columbia University President Lee C. Bollinger gave welcome and introductory remarks. The panel was moderated by John Coatsworth, Provost, Columbia University. Other panelists included Dr. Madeleine K. Albright, Dr. Ibrahim A. Gambari, Dr. José Antonio Ocampo, and Dr. Matthes Buhbe.


The Future of the Responsibility to Protect: Responsibility While Protecting and Implementation Mechanisms, 9-10 April 2015

Ten years after the Responsibility to Protect (RtoP) was unanimously adopted by the General Assembly in 2005, the international community is still faced with challenges of ensuring that genocide, crimes against humanity, war crimes, and ethnic cleansing are never again committed. In light of RtoP’s 10th anniversary and ongoing situations of mass atrocities around the world, the Columbia Global Policy Initiative and the International Relations Research Center at the University of São Paulo (NUPRI) organized a two-day conference on The Future of Responsibility to Protect: Responsibility While Protecting and Implementation Mechanisms. Ambassador Antonio de Aguiar Patriota, Permanent Representative of Brazil to the UN, and Dr. Jennifer Welsh, Special Adviser to the UN Secretary-General on the Responsibility to Protect, presented keynote speeches. Topics under consideration included the Brazilian concept of Responsibility while Protecting, implementation mechanisms for RtoP from diplomacy to the use of force, and the future of RtoP. Participants gathered at Columbia University in the City of New York and participated remotely from the University of São Paulo and the Columbia Global Center-Rio. The Columbia Global Policy Initiative produced a conference report that details key recommendations for progress to be undertaken by the UN, governments, academics, and civil society.
Independent Commission on Multilateralism retreat on “New Threats, Challenges, and Opportunities for the Multilateral System,” 19-20 February 2015

Launched by the International Peace Institute in September 2014, the Independent Commission on Multilateralism (ICM) is a two-year initiative intended to examine the United Nations and the multilateral system to determine if they are fit for purpose in today’s changing geopolitical environment. Modern security challenges and threats to the international system differ greatly from those of 1945, when the UN and current international order were established. As such, a reevaluation of this system is critical to effectively address current global challenges and leverage opportunities for cooperation. To further this agenda, the ICM organizes retreats and commissions papers on various thematic issues. Each retreat focuses on one of 16 thematic issues and—through dialogue between UN officials, academics, and civil society—debates and develops policy recommendations on that theme.

The ICM’s first retreat was held in February 2015 on the thematic issue “New Threats, Challenges, and Opportunities for the Multilateral System.” Professor Michael W. Doyle, Director of the Columbia Global Policy Initiative, was selected to author the outcome paper for this retreat. The goal of the paper was to identify key issues discussed at the retreat and present policy options for improved multilateral engagement on the thematic issue. Professor Doyle and two colleagues, Alicia Evangelides (Assistant Director of the Columbia Global Policy Initiative) and Dr. Christodoulos Kaoutzanis (Associate at Paul, Weiss), attended the event and co-authored the outcome paper. After review by various working groups, the paper will be published as part of an ICM compendium.

Fundraising

Huo Family Foundation (UK) Limited—Huo Global Policy Initiative Research Fellowship Fund

The Columbia Global Policy Initiative has been fortunate to receive its inaugural endowment from the Huo Family Foundation (UK) Limited. This donation endowed the Huo Global Policy Initiative Research Fellowship Fund. The Fund will support the Columbia Global Policy Initiative by providing annual funding for junior or senior research fellows dedicated to a single project through to its completion. The first Huo Global Policy Initiative Research Fellowship was awarded to Mr. T. Alexander Aleinikoff to support his innovative work on durable solutions for protracted refugee crises. We would like to thank the Huo Family Foundation (UK) Limited for their generous donation, and we look forward to our continued partnership.

The Endeavor Foundation

The Columbia Global Policy Initiative would like to thank the The Endeavor Foundation, which has supported the Initiative in its work with a generous grant. This grant has helped the Initiative fund its student research fellowships in the past year.

The Lenfest Group—Global Policy Initiative Fund

The Columbia Global Policy Initiative is grateful for the generous donation from The Lenfest Group to establish the Global Policy Initiative Fund. This is a current use fund to be used for general support for the Columbia Global Policy Initiative, its staff, programs, and administration.
The Year Ahead

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Global Colloquium of University Presidents 2016
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Protection, Peacekeeping, and the Individualization of War Workshop
The Columbia Global Policy Initiative will host an expert workshop on the protection of civilians on 3-4 December 2015, in support of the Special Adviser to the UN Secretary-General on the Responsibility to Protect, Dr. Jennifer Welsh. The workshop will present the work of the “Individualization of War” project, a five-year interdisciplinary research endeavor housed at the European University Institute.

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