Program of the Fourth IOS Annual Conference

“Breaking the Ice of Frozen Conflicts?
Understanding Territorial Conflicts in East and Southeast Europe”

30 June to 2 July 2016, Regensburg

THURSDAY 30 June

17:00  Key Note Speeches Followed by a Dinner (Park Hotel Maximilian, Regensburg)
Helga Schmid, Deputy Secretary General, EEAS
Ilkka Kanerva, President of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly

FRIDAY 1st July

09:00 – 09:30  Opening Speech
Tanja Tamminen (IOS)

09:30 – 11:00  Panel 1: Conflict Dynamics
Chair: Tanja Tamminen (IOS)
Stefan Wolff (Univ. Birmingham):
The new complexity of self-determination: dynamics of conflict and conflict mitigation practices in the post-Soviet space
Rafael Biermann (Univ. Jena):
De facto states – conflict dynamics and resolution
Oleksandr Tytarchuk (EESRI Kiev):
Ukrainian conflict: on the edge between hybrid war and hybrid peace

11:00 – 11:30  Coffee Break

11:30 – 13:00  Panel 2: International Discourses and Domestic Realities
Chair: Bogdan Zawadewicz (IOS)
Bruno Coppeters (Vrije Univ. Brussel):
Secessionist conflicts and debates on terminology: ‘frozen conflicts’, ‘de facto states’, ‘contested states’ and ‘occupied territories’
Nina Potarska (CSLR Kiev):
Ukraine – a false choice and the prospects for resolving the conflict after
Cindy Wittke (Univ. Konstanz):
(Re-)conceptualising Territories, Boundaries, and Sovereignty – (Frozen) Conflicts in the Post-Soviet Space
Giulia Prelz Oltramonti (Univ. Libre Bruxelles):
Conflict protraction and the illegality/informality divide
13:00 – 14:30 Lunch

14:30 – 16:00 PANEL 3: EXTERNAL STAKEHOLDERS AND REGIONAL COMPETITION
Chair: Konstanze Jüngling (IOS)
Philip Remler (Carnegie Endowment):
*Frozen Conflicts: Are We Asking the Right Questions*
Sergey Markedonov (Russian State Univ. for the Humanities):
*Territorial Integrity or Self-Determination? Russia’s and the West’s Instrumental Approaches*
Franziska Smolnik (Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik):
*Bound by the ‘bear’? Turkey and the Georgian-Abkhaz conflict*

SATURDAY 2nd July

09:00 – 10:30 PANEL 4: (NON)RECOGNITION AND INTERNATIONAL ENGAGEMENT
Chair: Michael Schmunk (Ambassador/GIGA)
Sebastian Relitz (IOS):
*De Facto States in International Relations – Between non-Recognition and International Integration*
James Ker-Lindsay (London School of Economics):
*Opprobrium as a Factor in International Engagement with Contested/De Facto States*
Eiki Berg (Univ. Tartu):
*Back-Door Diplomacy: US Direct Engagement with De Facto States*

10:30 – 11:00 Coffee Break

11:00 – 12:45 ROUNDTABLE 1: THE INFLUENCE AND ROLE OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS
Chair: Peter Schumann
Päivi Nikander (OSCE Mission in Kosovo)
Jarek Domanski (EU Delegation to Moldova)
Dieter Boden Ambassador (ret’d)
Andrea Gawrich (Univ. Gießen)
Wolfgang Zellner (IFSH)

12:45 – 14:15 Lunch

14:15 – 16:00 ROUNDTABLE 2: COOPERATION AND DIALOGUE ACROSS CONFLICT LINES – OPPORTUNITIES AND LIMITS
Chair: Sebastian Relitz (IOS)
Roxana Cristescu (Crisis Management Initiative)
Walter Kaufmann (Heinrich Böll Stiftung)
Karoline Gil (Institut für Auslandsbeziehungen)
Iulia Cozacenco (Causeway Institute for Peace-building and Conflict Resolution)
Sascha Düerkop (CONIFA)

16:15 – 17:00 KEY FINDINGS AND CLOSING REMARKS