

German Council on Foreign Relations (DGAP)

Founded in 1955, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Auswärtige Politik e.V. is an independent, non-profit institution that aims to improve the understanding of international relations and to scientifically explore the pertinent current issues of foreign policy. Programme groups: Europe and Transatlantic Relations; Global Challenges; Strategic Regions.

Address: Rauchstrasse 17–18, 10787 Berlin, Germany.
Website: <http://www.dgap.org>
Director: Prof. Dr Eberhard Sandschneider.

German Institute for International and Security Affairs (SWP, Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik)

Founded 1962. Independent scientific establishment that conducts practically oriented research on the basis of which it then advises the Bundestag and the German federal government on foreign and security policy issues. Research divisions: EU integration; EU external relations; international security; the Americas; Russian Federation/CIS; Middle East and Africa; Asia; global issues.

Address: Ludwigkirchplatz 3–4, 10719 Berlin, Germany.
Website: <http://www.swp-berlin.org>
Director: Prof. Dr Volker Perthes.

Heritage Foundation

Founded 1973. Conservative think tank aiming to formulate and promote public policies based on the principles of free enterprise, limited government, individual freedom, traditional American values and a strong national defence. Target audience includes members of Congress, key congressional staff members, policymakers in the executive branch, the news media, and the academic and public policy communities.

Address: 214 Massachusetts Ave., NE, Washington, D.C., 20002-4999, USA.
Website: <http://www.heritage.org>
President: Edwin J. Feulner.

Hoover Institution (on War, Revolution and Peace)

Founded in 1959 at Stanford University. Originated from research network built up by the Hoover War Library. Aims to secure and safeguard peace, improve the human condition and limit government intrusion into the lives of individuals. Three overarching research programmes focus on American institutions and economic performance, democracy and free markets, and international rivalries and global co-operation.

Address: 434 Galvez Mall, Stanford University, Stanford, CA 94305-6010, USA.
Website: <http://www.hoover.org>
Director: John Raisian.

International Crisis Group

Founded 1995. Independent, non-profit organization committed to preventing and resolving deadly conflict. Combines field-based analysis, policy advice and high-level advocacy to highlight potential future conflicts, resolve peace negotiations and advise governments and intergovernmental bodies.

Address: 149 avenue Louise, Level 24, B-1050 Brussels, Belgium.
Website: <http://www.crisisgroup.org>
President: Louise Arbour.

International Institute for Strategic Studies (IISS)

Founded 1958. Independent organization, considered the world's leading authority on political-military conflict. Research programme themes: conflict; defence and military analysis; economics and conflict resolution; non-proliferation and disarmament; transnational threats and international political risk; transatlantic dialogue on climate change and security.

Address: Arundel House, 13–15 Arundel St., Temple Place, London WC2R 3DX, UK.
Website: <http://www.iiss.org>
Director-General: Dr John Chipman.

International Institute for Sustainable Development

Founded 1990. Non-partisan, charitable organization specializing in policy research, analysis and information exchange aimed at enabling societies to live sustainably. Research areas: climate change and energy; measurement and assessment; trade and investment; natural resources management; and economic policy.

Address: 161 Portage Avenue East, 6th Floor, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada R3B 0Y4.
Website: <http://www.iisd.org>
President: Franz Tattenbach.

Istituto Affari Internazionali

Founded 1965. Non-profit organization promoting an understanding of the problems of international politics. Aims to increase movement towards supranational organization, democratic freedom and social justice across the world. Research areas: Europe; laboratory on international political economy; Mediterranean and the Middle East; security and defence; transatlantic relations.

Address: 9 Via Angelo Brunetti, 00186 Rome, Italy.
Website: <http://www.iai.it>
Director: Ettore Greco.

Japan Institute of International Affairs

Founded 1959. Academically independent institution affiliated with the Japanese ministry of foreign affairs. Researches medium-to-long term issues of international political and security affairs.

Address: Kasumigaseki Building 11th Floor, 3-2-5 Kasumigaseki, Chiyodaku, Tokyo, Japan 100-6011.
Website: <http://www.jiia.or.jp>
Executive Director: Toshiyuki Fujiwara.

Kiel Institute for World Economy

Founded 1914. Independent, international centre for research in global economic affairs, economic policy consulting, economic education and documentation. Research areas: the global division of labour; knowledge creation and growth; the environment and natural resources; poverty reduction, equity and development; monetary policy under market imperfections; financial markets and macroeconomic activity; reforming the welfare society.

Address: Hindenburgufer 66, 24105 Kiel, Germany.
Website: <http://www.ifw-kiel.de>
President: Prof. Dennis Snower.

National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER)

Founded 1920. Private, non-profit, non-partisan research organization dedicated to promoting a greater understanding of how the economy works. Concentrates on four types of empirical