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Annual Summer University Course

Geopolitical Analysis of International Relations

**17th - 26th July 2006
Geneva**

The objective of the course is to introduce the basic concepts of geopolitical analysis. The course will adopt a multidisciplinary approach that incorporates strategic, cultural and economic dimensions in order to facilitate a more profound understanding of contemporary international relations. The central themes will include the concepts and methodology of geopolitical analysis, cultural identity, religion and geopolitical representation, as well as an application of geostrategy and geoeconomics. Case studies will be presented on the various geopolitical configurations that significantly impact the current world system. Conferences will be held by leading international experts.

Target group of participants: Persons working for International Organisations and Government Agencies, Diplomats, University Students, Company Managers and other interested individuals.

Dates: Program starts on Monday 17th July and ends on Wednesday 26th July 2006.

Duration of the programme: 50 hours.

Place: Domaine de Penthes, 18, Chemin de l'Impératrice, Geneva, Switzerland.

Participation fee: 2000 CHF (1000 CHF for students).

Registration form: Also available on the web site of ICGS, www.geopolitics.ch.

Deadline for registration: 21st June 2006.

A certificate of participation will be awarded by ICGS upon completion of the course.

THEMES

Introduction to Geopolitics
Constant and Variable Factors of Geopolitical Analysis
Cultural Identity and Geopolitical Representations

▶ Gyula CSURGAI

Geopolitical Schools of Thought

▶ David CRIEKEMANS

Introduction to Strategy: Concepts, Definitions and Constituents

▶ Alexandre VAUTRAVERS

Introduction to Geoeconomics

▶ Gyula CSURGAI

Rise and Decline of Powers in the World System: Europe, United States and China

▶ Bernard WICHT

The Rising Power of India and its Geopolitical Implications

▶ Gilbert ETIENNE

Geostrategy of Pakistan in an evolving regional context

▶ Claire GALEZ

Geostrategy of Iran in an evolving regional context
Sunni - Shia Encounter in the Middle East: The Challenge of Religion and Politics

▶ Mahdi AHOUE

Minorities and the Nation State in South-East and Central Europe

▶ Gyula CSURGAI

Information Dominance

▶ Alexandre VAUTRAVERS

Disinformation Strategies in Contemporary Warfare

► Gyula CSURGAI

Asymmetric Strategies and Information Power in Contemporary International Relations

► Stéphane KOCH

Geopolitics of Energy

► David CRIEKEMANS

LECTURERS

Mahdi AHOUE, Iran, PhD candidate at the Graduate Institute of International Studies, University of Geneva, Switzerland. He holds a Master-degree from the University of Geneva. He studied at the School of International Relations in Tehran. He has been researching Iran's geopolitics for several years. He worked at the Institute for Political and International Studies, the think tank of the Iranian Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Tehran. His **recent publications**: "*Peace Process in the Perspective of Revolutionary Iran: Will Tehran Ever Take Part?*", Iran Analysis Quarterly, MIT University, 2004. "*Iran's Policy towards the Middle East Peace Process: Evolutions and Consequences*" and "*Islam in Central Asia: How Religion Affects the Sub-regional Relations?*", Graduate Institute of International Studies, Geneva, 2003.

David CRIEKEMANS, Belgium, holds a PhD on Geopolitical Thought and Master-degree in Political and Social Sciences (International Politics) from the University of Antwerp, Belgium; European Master of Public Administration from the Catholic University of Leuven, Belgium. **Recent publications**: (Transl.) "*The Coming Global Energy Crisis: time for a fundamental re-drafting of policy*" Mondial Magazine (June 2005). (Transl.) "*Geopolitics, Geographic Consciousness of Foreign Policy? A Critical Genealogy into the Essence and Usability of the Geopolitical Approach in the Study of Foreign Policy*", Antwerp University.

Gyula CSURGAI, Hungary/Canada, holds a Doctorate from the University of Geneva; Degree in Political Science from the University of Concordia (Canada) and the University of Toulouse (France); Postgraduate in European Studies from the European Institute at University of Geneva; Founding Member and Director of the International Centre for Geopolitical Studies (ICGS), Geneva. Mr. Csurgai teaches Geopolitics, Geoeconomics and Competitive Intelligence at ICGS and is Professor of Geopolitics at the Geneva School of Diplomacy. **Recent publications**: (Transl.) "*Geopolitical Perspectives for Europe*", L'Age d'Homme, Lausanne 2004. "*The Nation and Its Territories in Central Europe – A Geopolitical Approach*", Peter Lang, Bern, 2005.

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THEMES AND LECTURERS

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Gilbert ETIENNE, Switzerland, Professor Emeritus of Development Economics at the Institutes of International Studies and Development Studies, University of Geneva. Mr. Etienne spent many years in Asia, particularly in the Indian Sub-Continent. He has authored many books and leading articles on contemporary South Asia, Afghanistan and China. Amongst his **recent publications**: "*Chine, Inde, le Match du Siècle*", Paris, Presses de Sciences Po, 1998; "*Le Développement à Contre-Courant*", Paris, Presses de Sciences Po, 2003; "*China-India, Some Comparative Views*", Modern Asia Research Centre, Geneva University, 2005.

Claire GALEZ, Belgium, Director of the Centre for South Asian Studies (CSAS), Geneva; Researcher and expert on India-Pakistan relations and the States of Jammu and Kashmir; Research Associate at Modern Asia Research Centre, Geneva University. **Recent publications**: "*Analysis of the General Elections in Pakistan: the rise of religious parties in Pakistan's main stream politics and the war on Terror*", Geneva, (2002); "*The Kargil War, Previous War Strategies and the Failure of Negotiations*" (Geneva, 1999); "*Indian and Pakistani National Security Perceptions and Challenges Ahead*", (Washington, 1998); "*9/11, The Roots of Terrorism in Pakistan*" (Geneva, 2001); "*Peace making in the Indian Sub Continent: Pakistan and India's Strategic Perceptions and Security Constraints*" (Barcelona, 2004).

Stéphane KOCH, Switzerland, Holds a degree in Telecommunication and Public Relations and an Executive Master in Economic Crime Investigations. He is President of the Internet Society, Geneva. Mr. Koch is an expert in information strategies and cyber security. He teaches competitive intelligence in various post-graduate university programmes in Switzerland. Specialised in strategic management of information, he also teaches at the Ecole de Guerre Economique (School of Economic Warfare), Paris. He also trains professionals in the fields of information technology issues and information perception management.

Alexandre VAUTRAVERS, Switzerland, Doctorate in Social, Economic Sciences and History from the Geneva University and the University of Lyon 2, France. Mr. Vautravers is an expert on global arms development and trade, consultant for several Swiss media, scientific Director of *Hepta aero*. He leads research teams for the Swiss Academy of Science and Technology and the Swiss Military History Commission. He is also the Second editor of the Swiss Military Review (RMS); and collaborator of ICGS. **Recent publications**: (Transl.) "*Swiss Air Force 90 years*", "*Armament*", "*The Future of War*". A. Vautravers also teaches international relations and strategy at various universities in Switzerland.

Bernard WICHT, Switzerland, holds a BA and a PhD in Law from the University of Fribourg, Switzerland. Was an expert appointed to the European Commission and President of the Culture Committee, Council of Europe. Mr. Wicht is currently Head of International Affairs of the Swiss Conference of the Heads of Cantonal Public Education. He is Professor of strategic studies at Lausanne University's Institute of Political and International Studies. **Recent publications**: "*Guerre et Hégémonie*", (Transl.) 'War and Hegemony'; (Transl.) "*The Art of War in the XXI Century*".

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REGISTRATION FORM

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Education :

Professional Activity :

Organisation / Mission / Entreprise :

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Motivations for attending the course / Remarks :

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