



## INVITATION

The International Institute for Peace (IIP) and the Waseda Institute for Advanced Study in cooperation with the Department of Sociology at the University of Vienna & PEN-Club Austria cordially invite you to the upcoming conference on the topic:

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#### Neutrality and Nonalignment Then and Now

**Date:** Monday-Tuesday, 2-3 March 2020

**Venue:** University of Vienna - Skylounge, Oskar-Morgenstern Platz 1, 1090 Vienna

**Registration:** <https://www.iipvienna.com/registration/>



Commemorating 65 years of Austrian neutrality law we are pleased to announce a two-day conference on neutrality and nonalignment. Thirty years after the end of the Cold War, the 'End of History' is as far away as always, and the international security environment is changing again. With the rise of China, the resurgence of Russia, and novel ideas for security mechanisms in Europe, the world of US-led unipolarity is drawing to a close. Alliances in Europe and Asia are not as clear-cut as they used to be and even core institutions like NATO or the US-Japan alliance have come under pressure unheard of only a decade ago. What does that mean for neutrals and nonaligned countries? Join us in the audience to debate neutrality in the twenty-first century.



## Monday, March 2

### 09.00–09.40 | Arrival & Registration

### 09.45–10.00 | Welcome Remarks and Introduction to the Conference

Heinz Gärtner (IIP, University of Vienna, Austria)

Pascal Lottaz (Waseda University, Japan)

### 10.00–10.15 | Inauguration

Heinz Fischer (President of Austria 2004–2016)

introduced by Hannes Swoboda (President IIP)

### 10.15–12.15 | Panel 1

| <b>Neutrality and Nonalignment in a Historical Perspective</b> |   |                           |
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| Chair  | Hannes Swoboda, president of the IIP and former MEP |                           |
| Speaker  | Peter Ruggenthaler                                  | LBIKF, Austria            |
| Speaker  | Johanna Rainio-Niemi                                | U Turku, Finland          |
| Speaker  | Vasileios Syros                                     | U Jyväskylä, Finland      |
| Speaker  | Heinz Gärtner                                       | IIP, University of Vienna |

### 12.15–13.00 | Lunch

### 13.00–15.00 | Panel 2

| <b>The Neutrals and Geopolitics</b> |  |  |
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| Chair                               | Stephanie Fenkart, Director of the IIP |  |
| Speaker                             | Laurent Götschel                       | Swisspeace, Switzerland                            |
| Speaker                             | Pascal Lottaz                          | Waseda University, Japan                           |
| Speaker                             | Eva Nowotny                            | University of Vienna                               |
| Speaker                             | Nikolai Sokov                          | Vienna Center for Disarmament and Nonproliferation |

### 15.00–15.30 | Coffee Break

### 15.30–20.30 | Neutrality and Art—The Art of Independence (Break-out Sessions)

Moderation: Antonia Rados (Journalist)

#### **15.30–16.15 | Lectures**

Christoph Reinprecht (University of Vienna)

Helmuth Niederle (President PEN Austria)

#### **16.15–16.30 | Music**

#### **16.30–18.00 | Readings by Poets from Nonaligned Countries\***

Gerda Sengstbratl, Austria (German–English)



Josef Winkler, Austria (German–English)  
Sarita Jenamani, India (Oriya–English)  
Tarek Eltayeb, Egypt (Arabic–English)  
Mitra Shahmoradi, Iran (Persian–English) translated by Mark Klenk (USA)

**18.00–18.30 | Music**

Hamid-Reza Odjaghi, Iran (Daf and Singing)

**18.30–20.30 | Reception at the Conference Center**

**Tuesday, March 3**

**10.00–12.00 | Panel 3**

| <b>The Role of Neutral and Nonaligned States in Multilateral Institutions</b> |   |   |
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| Chair   | Christine Muttonen, Former President of the OSCE Parliament. Assembly |   |
| Speaker   | Pascal Lago   | Researcher for Security Policy at Avenir Suisse |
| Speaker   | Peter Jankowitsch   | Ex-Foreign Minister, Austria                    |
| Speaker   | Angela Kane   | Ex-UN High Rep. for Disarmament Affairs, IIP    |
| Speaker   | Yauheni Preiherman  | Chair of the Minsk Dialogue                     |

**Lunch Break | 12.00–12.45**

**12.45–14.45 | Panel 4**

| <b>Neutrality, Non-Alignment and Values—From Good Offices to Engagement</b> |  |                          |
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| Chair   | Stephanie Fenkart, Director of the IIP |                          |
| Speaker   | Herbert Reginbogin                     | CUA, USA                 |
| Speaker   | Keiichi Kubo                           | Waseda University, Japan |
| Speaker   | Andrew Cottey                          | University College Cork  |
| Speaker   | Thomas Roithner                        | Peace Researcher, Vienna |

**14.45–15.00 | Final Remarks**

Heinz Gärtner & Pascal Lottaz

*Discussions will be held in English.*  
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