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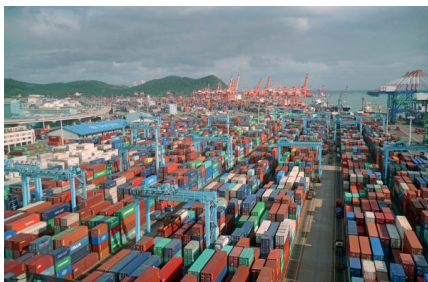
The Coronavirus blame game has recently entered a new round with the announced US withdrawal from the World Health Organization. Against the backdrop of this polarised debate, our new **Global Governance Spotlight** by Sara E. Davies (Griffith University) reveals many improvements in global health governance compared to previous pandemics. In her conclusion, she argues that we should build on these positives while tackling remaining weaknesses of international health crisis management.

As always, this newsletter entails additional information on this and other activities. We wish you an interesting read and stay well!

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## UPCOMING EVENTS



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### **: The World Trade System after COVID-19: Pathways towards welfare-oriented trade policy**

**International sef: Expert Workshop  
24-25 September 2020, Duisburg and Online**

The world trade system was already in deep crisis before the coronavirus pandemic. COVID-19 has exposed a further weakness of global trade liberalisation: the crisis vulnerability of a world economy structured by a division of labour and global supply chains. Against this backdrop, the **International Expert Workshop 2020**, co-organized by sef: and INEF, aims to draw lessons from the flaws that the coronavirus pandemic has exposed. What action is needed to make the world trade system more resilient and sustainable? And which stakeholders and alliances will play the key role in shaping the future world trade system?

If you are interested in participating, please send a message (indicating your professional background) to [roth@sef-bonn.org](mailto:roth@sef-bonn.org).



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## : **SAVE THE DATE: Reducing Social Inequality – Strategies at Local Level**

### **Bonn Symposium**

**5-6 November 2020, Bonn and online**

All over the globe, the coronavirus pandemic reveals and aggravates problems of social inequality. At the same time, many local communities and city governments take innovative and extraordinary steps to strengthen social cohesion, for example by coordinating neighbourhood initiatives or by transforming traffic areas into improvised playground and public parks. How can we build on such initiatives to make our communities integrative and fair on a larger scale? What is our vision of social justice and equality at the local level in 2030? These questions will be discussed with local policymakers, scientists and activists at the **Bonn Symposium 2020** on 5-6 November.

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## **PAST EVENTS**



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## : **Crisis Prevention: From Ambition to Action – New Pathways for the UN**

### **Berlin Summer Dialogue 2020 – Online Edition**

In June 2020, the annual **Berlin Summer Dialogue** for the first time took place as weekly online dialogue. Experts from more than 25 countries discussed different topics under the theme “Crisis Prevention: From Ambition to Action – New Pathways for the UN” each Tuesday. The last session was dedicated to the challenge of organising sufficient political support for effective crisis prevention.

Please visit our website to watch a **video summary** of this session. Excerpts from all interactive discussions and additional material is available on both **our website** and our **Youtube channel**.

## PUBLICATIONS



## : COVID-19 and global health governance: Building upon the positives

### Global Governance Spotlight 2|2020

The world is still struggling to cope with enormous health risks and the social and economic fall-out of the global COVID-19 crisis. In **Global Governance Spotlight 2|2020**, Sara Davies, Professor at Griffith University in Australia, offers a first stocktaking of international crisis management. She argues that, despite many shortcomings, the international community reacted better than during previous cases such as Ebola. Progress was visible in the reporting of cases, the protection of human rights and in public communication efforts. Future global health governance should build and expand on these achievements.



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## : Gathering and analysing sub-national protest data

### Article on goals and strategies of protest groups in Nepal

In “The dynamics of contentious politics in Nepal” INEF researcher Johannes Vüllers together with Belén González discusses challenges regarding the empirical analysis of protest dynamics via data sets. They present bottom-up a sub-national approach which allows to take inherent dynamics and protests organisations’ repertoires into consideration. The authors apply the approach to protests in Nepal showing that goals and strategies of activists change over time.

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