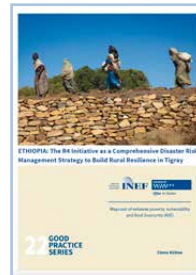


## PUBLICATIONS AND TRANSFER

Peace Report and Global Trends Analysis are collaborative products with other institutions.



Project series allow us to publish findings from third-party funded research projects. INEF reports present important work results from research projects and provide an overview of current academic and political debates.

In addition to journal articles and papers with results of our basic research, other publications contribute to transferring our research into the political and public spheres, including our Development and Peace blog series. Our INEF transfer profile summarizes the goals and design of our communication and exchange activities.

Each year, INEF, together with three other leading German peace research institutions (BICC/PRIF/IFSH), publishes the »Friedensgutachten«/Peace Report. Researchers approach international conflicts from different fields of research and derive political recommendations from a peace-oriented perspective. To launch the report, the editors present the Peace Report at the Federal Press Conference, hold discussions with parliamentarians and different ministries and engage in public debates with civil society and media outlets. This leads to widespread attention in politics and the public.

INEF is characterized by its productive and institutionalized collaborations with other academic and policy-advisory institutions, for example with the Centre for Global Cooperation Research (Käte Hamburger Kolleg, KHK). We work particularly closely with the Development and Peace Foundation (sef:). Together, we publish the series Global Trends Analysis, which examines current and future international challenges in a globalized world against the background of long-term political trends. International authors prepare data and discuss courses of action for international policy-making.

As part of third-party funded research INEF also publishes findings via various project series. The project »Ways out of extreme poverty, vulnerability and food insecurity«, funded by the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) compiles relevant background information on the countries in the AVE studies. The Good Practice Series presents selected examples of good practice in development cooperation and specifies conditions for success. Other projects, e.g. on »Party Competition and Collective Jihadist Radicalization in Sub-Saharan Africa« or »Digital Tools and Interest Organization in the Global South«, use workshops and consultations for knowledge exchange with practice and academia.



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## CONTESTED AUTHORITY IN TRANSNATIONAL GOVERNANCE



## MISSION AND TASKS

We work on issues at the interface of development and peace. Empirically, we focus on the situation of vulnerable groups in the Global South and structures of violence, poverty and lack of rights. We seek to better understand why, how and with what effect different actors cooperate. Our research focuses on the implementation of human rights, for example with respect to labour, social and environmental standards in global value chains and the right to health in global health governance. Poverty reduction and political participation also belong to our research agenda. We analyze causes and effects of conflict and war as well as the transformation of conflicts. Furthermore, resistance and participation during transformation processes and interventions are key research topics.

We are part of the Faculty of Social Sciences at the University of Duisburg-Essen and work closely with a number of German and international research institutions and civil society organizations. Supported by this network of partnerships, we are able to combine basic with applied research contributing to academic debates as much as to political discussions. We provide in-depth background knowledge as well as specific policy recommendations for institutions and decision-makers. A diverse set of third-party funded research projects allow us to generate basic knowledge on politically relevant issues and to collect data as part of our field research. As a result, we are in the position to assess current developments and provide scientific policy advice.



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## OUR RESEARCH PROGRAMME

From 2022 to 2024, we at INEF focus on the question of what authority is based on – taking unequal structures of power and domination into account. How is authority constituted, claimed and challenged by various actors? National as well as inter- and transnational authority,

in its absence, specific manifestations or contestedness, can also be the starting point for social conflicts. The analytical status of »authority« differs in the respective INEF research areas. This reflects the fragmentation and contradictions of the different uses of the term.

