

ESIL Interest Group on Peace and Security – Annual Report 2025

1. Annual Conference – Berlin 2025

We ran a hybrid pre-conference workshop prior to the ESIL Annual Conference 2025 in Berlin titled *Reconstructing Peace: (Mis)Uses of International Law*. The workshop was well-attended by our membership, with approx. 30 in-person participants.

Papers were presented by:

- Milena Sterio (Cleveland State University College of Law): 'The Role of International, Regional, and Domestic Courts in Transitions Towards Peace and Security'
- Luciano Pezzano (National University of Cordoba): 'Peace After Aggression: The Importance of Reparations'
- Agata Bidas (University of Vienna): 'Peace through Threat? The Legal Dilemma of Nuclear Deterrence'
- Mélanie Dubuy (University of Lorraine): 'The embodiment of the concept of peace by the European Union: a (too) idealized peace project?'
- Ragul OV (Tamil Nadu National University), also on behalf of E. Prema: 'The Silence of Peace: Rethinking International Law's Temporal Violence and Epistemic Claims in Reconstructing Order'
- Marina Aksenova (IE Law School): 'Reconstructing Peace: The Role of Aesthetics in International Law'

2. Co-organised conference 'Regulating Security in Cyberspace' at the University of Granada in Spain (5-6-June 2025)

The IGPS co-organised a joint conference with the ESIL Interest Group on International Law and Technology and the University of Granada, as part of the Research Project *TED2021.131610B.I00 – Regulation of Security in Cyberspace*, held at the University of Granada School of Law, Spain, from 4–6 June 2025. Saeed Bagheri co-organised the event and represented the IGPS in Granada. Irene Couzigou also represented the IGPS and, in that role, chaired a panel.

3. Outlook

The IGPS looks forward to hosting its next pre-conference at the Annual Conference, alongside other events, potentially in collaboration with other ESIL interest groups. Plans to restart the IGPS' book discussions and/or podcast are also in the works.