The Institute of International Law and International Relations of the University of Graz, Austria, the European Training and Research Centre for Human Rights and Democracy (ETC) Graz, and their Human Security Focus Group, in cooperation with the Austrian National Defence Academy invite contributions to the 4th Graz Workshop on the Future of Security on 7-8 April 2011, dedicated to Sustainable Peace Building: Humanizing Peace and Conflict Studies.

The fourth workshop in a series of academic events dedicated to furthering our understanding of today’s and tomorrow’s security challenges is meant to bring together young and emerging researchers on the pre- and postdoctoral level active in the field of peace and conflict studies.

The interdisciplinary workshop is dedicated to the topic of the impact of the humanization of peace and conflict studies on our understanding of sustainable peace building. Presentations could evaluate, for example, the relationship of actors in peacebuilding processes, the changing roles of states, armed forces, and civil society, new peacebuilding policies of international organizations, and efforts to mainstream new security concepts, such as human security, into peacebuilding efforts to increase their sustainability.

The presentations are selected on the basis of academic merit and may be submitted independently or under one or more of the following streams: Stream 1: Peace and Conflict Studies; Stream 2: International Law and International Politics; Stream 3: Social Sciences; Stream 4: Interdisciplinary Approaches.

Selected excellent contributions will be published in a special edition of the peer-reviewed internationally renowned journal Human Security Perspectives.

Submissions of no more than 300 words describing your presentation should be sent together with a short bio no later than 15 January 2010 to HumanSecurity@uni-graz.at.

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