Titre	Security studies II
Dates	19-20 octobre 2012
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Description	Research on the causes of violence in civil war is divided on the question of ethnicity. On one hand scholars argue that ethnicity plays a significant role in motivating individuals to initiate and/or participate in violence. In contrast, others suggest that ethnicity is at best secondary to economic and other material considerations that motivate individual participation in violence. The second security studies module will address scholarly debates, both theoretical and methodological, on the role of ethnicity in civil war. Day 1 provides an overview of theoretical approaches. Specifically, we introduce the concept and commonly used measures of ethnicity, review grievance and opportunity-based based explanations for violence, and explanations that emphasize the geography of violence. Day 2 covers issues of methods, introducing prominent datasets and methodological approaches used by scholars to assess the role of ethnicity in civil war. Here, we review key datasets in use and unde development, as well as different methods of analysis, including regression, spatial regression, agent based and evidence-driven models. Program: Friday, 19 October 2012 10h00 – 10h30 Welcome and Introduction Backer, Bhavnani, and Donnay 10h30 – 12h00 The Role of Ethnicity: Concept and Measures Bhavnani and Donnay 14h00 – 16h00 Grievance and Opportunity Based Explanations for Violence Backer and Bhavnani 16h30 – 18h00 Disaggregating Violence: The Role of Geography Bhavnani and Backer Saturday, 20 October 2012 10h00 – 12h00 Data Sets on Civil War Donnay and Backer 14h00 – 16h00 Methods for (Spatially and Temporally) Disaggregated Analysis Donnay and Backer 14h00 – 16h00 Methods for (Spatially and Temporally) Disaggregated Analysis Donnay and Bhavnani 16h30 – 18h00 Concluding Discussion
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