

研究所員の活動と業績 (2019–2020)
Activities and performance of each staff (2019–2020)

Vesselin Popovski (Professor, School of International Peace Studies)

1. New Kakenhi Application

In October 2020 the SUPRI research group on Sustainable Development (Prof. Popovski, Prof. Tamai) submitted a Category C application for Kakenhi grant on Covid-19 Impact on Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 13 ‘Climate Action’. The proposal was triggered by how Covid-19 has affected the health of millions and socio-economic situation of billions of people, jeopardized the SDGs and became simultaneously a test of: (a) leadership; (b) international co-operation, (c) medical capacity; (d) human-human relationship; and (e) human relationship with nature. The research focuses on the fifth test and answers two questions: (1) What is the impact of Covid-19 on the implementation of SDG-13 ‘Climate Action’? (2) How can the recovery from Covid-19 be synergized with action to achieve SDG-13? The idea is to focus on how can governments and corporations synergize improving public health with solutions to climate change in a coherent response, utilizing the stimulus packages for economic recovery with climate action. Instead of dealing with immediate effects of Covid-19 first and delay transformations to carbon-zero economy for later, a better approach would be to introduce build-back-green policies immediately, as doctors say: operate ‘two surgeries with one anaesthetic’. Popovski presented these ideas in an article ‘Covid-19 & Environmental Sustainability’ in *Japan Spotlight, Japan Economic Foundation*, (No. 6, Vol. 39, Nov-Dec Issue 234, 2020).

For the first 5 years of the SDGs, progress in implementation was

recorded on eradicating extreme poverty (SDG-1), eliminating hunger (SDG-2), improving health (SDG-3) and other goals. In contrast, SDG-13 has been among the worst in implementation, because of voluntary character and lack of enforcement mechanism in the Paris Agreement, withdrawal of the USA from it, and insufficient commitments of some large emitters. Covid-19 impact on Climate Action, compared to all other SDGs, is most curious to study because of high uncertainty and diverse options. SDG-13 is both academically interesting and practically problematic. It is very urgent, but at the same time very long-term, its significance goes much beyond 2030, even beyond 2050. States have to make urgent commitments towards a long collective agenda, including a great deal of interaction, technology sharing, transparency, accountability, etc. The impact of Covid-19 on SDG-13 therefore is critical for both academic and practical reasons. It is significant academically, because nobody has yet explored the entire impact of Covid-19 on SDG-13. If the effect of Covid-19 on all other SDGs was clearly negative, on 'Climate Action' the picture has not been so unequivocal. Early assessments in Spring 2020 suggested that Covid-19 with resulting lockdowns produced positive effect reducing carbon emissions. However, later studies dismissed these estimations and argued to the contrary, that such benefits were very short-term and minimal, whereas longer-term impacts can still be negative.

The project is important practically as the world has less than ten years left to achieve Agenda 2030 and failure to act efficiently reduces the chances of human survival, whereas utilizing the Covid-19 challenge on SDG-13 can bring solutions to the most dangerous global challenge. Further significance and novelty comes from the fact that 'Climate Action' allows for many non-state actors - companies, philanthropists, civil society, academia - to contribute. Never before

so many and so diverse non-state stakeholders had such a great role to play in history. The research elucidates the successful experiences of those actors, operating through networks committed to mitigate climate change. The project runs for four years 2021-2025, effectively the best time to observe the impact of Covid-19 on climate change and to analyze how states and other actors develop policies and mechanisms to achieve the commitments during the second 5-years period of the Paris Agreement. The plan is to bring together experts from Japan and abroad in two workshops to address the research questions by sharing their latest findings, deliberate and analyze the data and publish the latest world-wide knowledge in two edited volumes: (1) Impact of Covid-19 on the Implementation of the Paris Agreement on Climate Change; (2) Synergetic Recovery: Covid-19 and SDG-13. The methodology includes documentary research, conceptualization, correspondence with experts, data collection, observation, analysis, deliberation on policy decisions, and recommendations how to raise the ambitions to reduce CO₂ emissions. The investigators will convene webinars and consultations to verify the findings, organize expert workshops, followed by larger public events, utilizing the presence of world-class experts to share with Japanese stakeholders the latest knowledge and impact in both developed and developing countries from Asia, Africa, and Europe. The research will exemplify variety of approaches to climate action, showing how some states may plan for higher ambitions with the flexibility to adjust those commitments down, if methods are not working. Other states can make modest commitments first, and then adjust those up, if they find the methods working better than expected. The research will use various scientific sources, compare and verify data from governments and business actors and civil society organizations. Experts will share findings with

larger audiences and receive broad feedback.

2. Other research activities

During the period Popovski published extensively. He wrote a brief “Towards Multiple Security Councils” in *International Order and Conflict, UN 75 Global Governance Innovation Perspective*, Stimson Center, June 2020, making a new breakthrough proposal: in parallel with the existing UN Security Council, to create additional security councils - such as Peacebuilding Council, Health Security Council, Climate Security Council - moving these agenda into the hands of larger groups of states, empowered to deal with non-traditional threats. Popovski presented the proposal at several e-consultations, for example at the *Global Policy Dialogues*, convened by the Stimson Centre under the theme ‘Renewal and Innovation of Global Governance’ devoted to the UN 75th Anniversary. He was one of the keynote speakers at the UN Global Governance Forum, held in parallel with the 75th Session of the UN General Assembly in September 2020, presenting and discussing five recommendations on peace and security, followed by supportive commentaries by Madeleine Albright and Mohammed Gambari, strongly endorsing Popovski’s pioneer proposal, especially for a new Peacebuilding Council.

Popovski completed the Routledge book *‘Fulfilling Sustainable Development Goals’*, co-edited with Nick Robinson and Narinder Kakar, one of the most comprehensive (40+ chapters) so far collection on the progress in implementing the SDGs. Compared to other books on specific SDGs, their origins, evolution and assessment, this one ambitiously encompasses all 17 SDGs in one volume and focuses on the most crucial element—the implementation. The book is honored

with a Special Introduction by Amina Mohamed, UN Deputy Secretary-General, co-drafter of the SDGs. It is the first publication to discuss the impacts of Covid-19 on all 17 SDGs in a diverse multi-disciplinary scholarship. Popovski authored two chapters, on the SDG-10 (Inequality) and SDG-13 (Climate Action), critically assessing the insufficiency of current commitments and recommending potential actions towards more ambitious implementation. He also co-authored the chapter on SDG-1 (Poverty), the Preface and the Concluding chapter.

Popovski also published two chapters for two other books: one discussed the legislation in India following the ‘The Case of United Breweries/Kingfisher Airlines’ for a book edited by Prof. Maria Lucia Lima and Prof. Paulo Goldsmith, *Case Studies on Corruption and Money Laundering in BRICS* (Jurua Editora Ltd. 2020). The other, ‘The Complex Life of Rafael Lemkin’ presented the origin of the crime of genocide through the personal life experience of Lemkin, and was published in *The Dawn of a Discipline: International Criminal Justice and Its Early Exponents* (Cambridge University Press 2020) co-edited by Frederic Megret and Immi Tallgren.

During the period Popovski made several online speeches: on Covid-19 impact on Climate Change for the Purpose Driven Innovation Ecosystems (PDIE) in May 2020, on the UN Reform Agenda for the Nazarbaev University (Kazakhstan) in June 2020, on Post-Pandemic Universities for the EU Erasmus Project on Higher Education in June 2020, two lectures for the students in Bhopal, India, on Contemporary Challenges to International Law, in June and July 2020. He delivered a keynote on Post-Pandemic Global Governance for the History NGO Foundation, Seoul, South Korea in July 2020, participated in the online Dialogue on Global Catastrophic Threats, co-organized by the NGO ‘Together First’ and the Global Challenges Foundation (Sweden)

in August 2020. In December 2020 Popovski made a commentary in Session III at the Global Peace Forum annually organized by SUPRI with partners from Republic of China and South Korea.

Jonathan Luckhurst (Associate Professor, School of International Peace Studies)

1. Externally Funded Research Projects

- (2020-23) Japan's Ministry of Education Kakenhi C Grant-in-Aid for Scientific Research. Project No. 20K01534: 'Networked G20 governance: Normative consequences of inclusivity practices for transnational actor networks.'

This project analyzes normative consequences of networked G20 governance, especially for the global economic policy agenda. The theoretical aspect of this study combines constructivist, discourse analytic, and sociological insights in analyzing G20 inclusivity practices and the forum's role in decentralizing global governance authority. This involves empirical research on G20 governance processes and networked relations, mainly during the annual rotating presidencies of Saudi Arabia in 2020, Italy in 2021, and Indonesia in 2022. The project contributes to literature on global governance networks and the G20, including on normative effects of international practices. The main research product will be a forthcoming monograph, to be published by Routledge.

2. Academic Publications

Journal Articles:

- Luckhurst, J. (2020). The new G20 politics of global economic governance. *International Organisations Research Journal*. 15(2), 55-

81.

- Luckhurst, J. (2020). Contextual influences on China-Japan-ROK trilateral cooperation in global economic governance. *Soka University Peace Research Journal*, 34, 43-66.

Book Chapters:

- Luckhurst, J. (2020). Networks decentralizing authority in global economic governance. Chapter in Rewizorski, M., Jędrzejowska, K., & Wróbel, A. (eds.). *The future of global economic governance: Challenges and prospects in the age of uncertainty*. New York: Springer.

Policy Brief:

- Luckhurst, J., Ertl, V., Fleurbaey, M., Grimalda, G., Kirton, J.J., Knight, W.A., Reddy, K.S., Sidiropoulos, E., and Thomas, M. (2020). *Transversal G20 response to COVID-19: Global governance for economic, social, health, and environmental resilience*. Think 20 Policy Brief (for the G20).

3. Other Professional Writings (commentary, opinion pieces)

- (2020) “Networked G20 governance for the twenty-first century,” *Asia Insights*, Griffith Asia Institute. January 30.
Available from: <https://blogs.griffith.edu.au/asiainsights/networked-g20-governance-for-the-twenty-first-century/>

4. Presentations at Academic Conferences, Workshops, etc.

Invited Symposium Speaker/ Workshop Participant:

- (2020) “Transversal challenges of COVID-19 for networked G20 governance.” Invited to present at the Canadian Defence and Security Network ‘Year Ahead Conference 2021.’ Virtual event hosted by the Centre for Security, Intelligence, and Defence Studies,

Carleton University, Ottawa. December 4.

- (2020) “Networked G20 governance in the post-COVID digital world.” Invited to present at the Russian Presidential Academy of National Economy and Public Administration virtual workshop on Priorities for Global Economic Governance in the Post-Covid-19 Digital World. Virtual event hosted in Moscow, October 7.
- (2020) “Transversal G20 response to COVID-19: Global governance for economic, social, health, and environmental resilience.” Invited to speak at the Think 20 Virtual Conference on ‘Policy Recommendations for a post-COVID-19 World’. June 15-17.

Guest Lecture:

- (2021) “Transversal and networked global governance: the G20 and other cases.” Invited to give a guest lecture to International Relations students at the University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada. Virtual lecture, January 27.

Involvement in Official Group of Twenty (G20) Events

- (2020) Riyadh G20 Summit: Accredited by Saudi G20 Presidency to attend (media accreditation). Virtual summit hosted in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, November 21-22.
- (2020) Think 20 Summit: Attended G20’s official Think 20 Summit during Saudi G20 Presidency. Virtual summit, October 31-November 1.
- (2020) Women 20 Summit: Attended G20’s official Women 20 Summit during Saudi G20 Presidency. Virtual summit, October 20-22.
- (2020) Civil 20 Summit: Attended G20’s official Civil 20 Summit during Saudi G20 Presidency. Virtual summit, October 6-10.

Nikolas Emmanuel (Associate Professor, School of International Peace Studies)

1. Conference Research Presentations

Dec. 2020 Nikolas Emmanuel, Peace & Human Rights Symposium
“Toward an Age of Humanitarian Competition: What We Can Do for Peacebuilding” - Soka University of Japan, Invited Presentation:
“Incentives for Peace: Avoiding War Reoccurrence through Peacebuilding”

2. Research Publications (Journal Articles & Book Chapters in Edited Volumes):

- Abu Bakarr Bah & Nikolas Emmanuel (2020), “Positive Peace and the Methodology of Costing Peacebuilding Needs: The Case of Burundi”, *Administrative Theory & Praxis*, 42:3, 299-318, DOI: 10.1080/10841806.2019.1634403
- Nikolas Emmanuel and Satoshi Sasaki (2020), “Assessing the Impact of Economic Assistance on African Peace Processes: A Quantitative Approach”, *Soka University Peace Research Journal*, 34.

3. External Grants

- 2018-present European Research Council (ERC) Consolidator Grant, Research Collaborator with Professor Henrik Vigh (PI—University of Copenhagen), “Criminal Entanglements: A new ethnographic approach to transnational organized crime”, AMOUNT: 2€ million.

ERC GRANT SUMMARY: The participants in this grant are interested in understanding the increasing amount of policing and other attempts of governing (inter)national borders and boundaries which are happening around the world. This also includes an interest

in examining the growing political and public appeal towards criminalizing or in other ways minimizing the movement and actions of given peoples. Through our studies of crime and criminalization, we seek to engage in and further develop methodological, ethical and analytical concerns and possibilities surrounding these research themes by using a mixed-methods approach. The core group of researchers involved with the grant come from anthropology, sociology, political science and economics.

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1. Research papers

「離島漂着物対策と越境地域協力（CBC） — 対馬と八重山をめぐる漂着物対策CBCの比較考察」（公益財団法人笹川平和財団海洋政策研究所編『わが国離島地域におけるブルーエコノミーの実現に向けて』2021年）

2. Externally funded research projects

「東アジア海域環境保全をめぐる下位地域協力 — 国家・地方による複合レジームの形成」（科研費・若手研究、20K13440、研究代表、2020-2023）

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