

World Society Symposium, October 26–27, 2007
PULS 5 (1st Floor), Giessereistrasse 18, 8031 Zurich
Friday, Oct 26: “The Regional Dynamics of Global Social Change”

Session I: The Regional Dynamics of Global Social Change - The Long-Term Perspective		
9:00	Introduction by the organizers	<i>Hans-Peter Meier, President World Society Foundation</i>
9:10	The Limits of Economic Globalization: Still Another North-South Cleavage?	<i>Rafael Reuveny & William R. Thompson</i>
9:30	Borders in a Borderless World: Re-examining the Territorial Dimensions of Globalization	<i>David Newman</i>
9:50	Islam in the World System	<i>Amir Sheikhzadegan</i>
10:10	Plenary discussion	<i>Chair: Volker Bornschier</i>
10:40	Coffee break	
Session II: East Asia in a Changing Global Environment		
11:10	East Asia - Structure and Formation of a World Region	<i>Patrick Ziltener</i>
11:40	Regionalizing the Global-Local Economic Nexus: A Comparative Analysis of Two Regions in China	<i>Xiangming Chen</i>
12:00	Plenary discussion	<i>Chair: Christian Suter</i>
12:30	Lunch break	
Session III: Natural Resources, Foreign Investment and the Transformation of Local Identities		
14:00	Northeast Asian Competition for Russian Far East Natural Resources and the Possibilities of Russo-Chinese Geo-economic Integration	<i>John Gulick</i>
14:20	The Chad-Cameroon Pipeline Project and the Making of World Society in Central Africa	<i>Yves-Alexandre Chouala</i>
14:40	The Resilience of Cultural Diversity - Reinventing Local Identity in Ireland as the ‘Gesamt’-Creation of Enterprise State and Civil Society	<i>Martha C.E. Van Der Bly</i>
15:00	Plenary discussion	<i>Chair: Hans-Peter Meier</i>
15:30	End of first conference day	

World Society Symposium, October 26–27, 2007
PULS 5 (1st Floor), Giessereistrasse 18, 8031 Zurich
Saturday, Oct 27: “Civil Society in a Globalizing World”

<i>Session IV: Civil Society – Local Responses to Global Challenges</i>		
9:00	Connecting the Global and Local: The Impact of Globalization on Civil Society From 1990 to the Present	<i>Jeffrey Kentor & Eric Mielants</i>
9:20	Civil Society Participation, the New Mantra in Foreign Development Assistance: Evidence from Bolivia	<i>Bettina Woll</i>
9:40	The “Lost Generation” – African Hip Hop Movements and the Protest of the Young (Male) Urban	<i>Daniel Künzler</i>
10:00	Plenary discussion	<i>Chair: Volker Bornschier</i>
10:30	Coffee break	
<i>Session V: Civil Society – Internet and Transnational Solidarities</i>		
11:00	The Role of the Internet in Transnational Mobilization. A Case Study of the Zapatista Movement, 1994–2005	<i>Markus S. Schulz</i>
11:20	Associative Self-governance: Democratic Accountability and Open Access in an Organisational World Society	<i>Michael Schiltz, Gert Verschraegen & Stefano Magnolo</i>
11:40	Plenary discussion	<i>Chair: Christian Suter</i>
12:00	Lunch break	
<i>Session VI: Civil Society – Regional Integration and Transnational Coalition-Building</i>		
14:00	Global Civil Society Networks and Counter-Hegemony	<i>Hagai Katz</i>
14:20	Explaining Participation in Regional Transnational Social Movement Organizations	<i>Dawn Wiest & Jackie Smith</i>
14:40	Protesters, Participants and Politicians: Civil Society and Democratization in Latin America	<i>R. Patricio Korzeniewicz & Maria Esperanza Casullo</i>
15:00	Plenary discussion	<i>Chair: Mark Herkenrath</i>
15:30	End of conference	

World Society Symposium, October 26-27, 2007

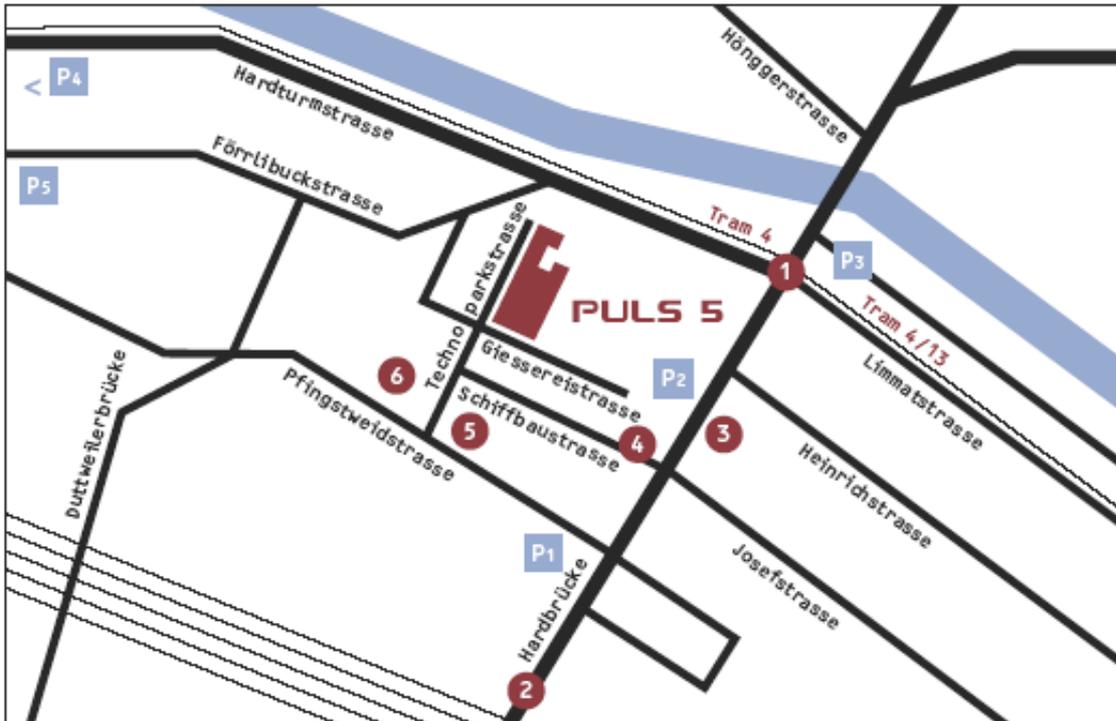
PULS 5 (1st floor), Giessereistrasse 18, CH-8031 Zurich, Switzerland

Registration

Admission to the symposium is free, and no previous registration is required.

How to get there?

There are several parking garages in the immediate vicinity of PULS 5, but we urge you to use public transportation. From Zurich's main train station (Zürich Hauptbahnhof), you can either take a local train to Bahnhof Hardbrücke (#2 in the map below) or trams 4 or 13 to Escher-Wyss-Platz (#1).



The World Society Foundation

Dr. Hans-Peter Meier (cultur prospectiv), President
 Prof. Volker Bornschier (University of Zurich), Vice-President
 Prof. Bruno Fritsch (Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich, Emeritus)
 Dr. Mark Herkenrath (University of Zurich)
 Prof. Christian Suter (University of Neuchâtel)

Organizing committee

Dr. Hans-Peter Meier (President of the World Society Foundation)
 Maurice Illi, lic. phil. (Event Management)
 Peter Adam (Event Management)

Contact:

Weltgesellschaft in Zuerich
 Eventmanagement
 Muehlebachstrasse 35
 CH-8008 Zurich
 +41 44 260 69 01
 +41 44 260 69 29 (fax)
 hp@culturprospectiv.ch