

Dozent, Module, Zeit, Raum
Prof. Dr. Stefan Schirm MA-Seminar, IIP, Teil II; PFA, Teil II; FW, Teil I Do, 12-14 Uhr; Raum GD E2/156
Veranstaltungstitel deutsch
Der Politische Süden und die neue Weltordnung der BRICS-Staaten
Veranstaltungstitel englisch
The Political South and the New World Order of the BRICS
Unterrichtssprache
English
Beschreibung
China's increasing assertiveness, the BRICS political opposition to the West, and Russia's war in Ukraine have sharpened the contours of alternative world orders. These diverging orders emerged in recent decades through the creation of distinct institutions and policy positions by the 'Political South'. While the 'Political West' emphasises democracy, market economy and universal human rights as guiding principles for international order, the Political South prioritises national autonomy, non-intervention in internal affairs and state-permeated economies. The Political South rejects military aid to Ukraine and sanctions against Russia, cultivates a good relationship with Moscow and criticises Western conceptions of world order as paternalistic. Core actors of the 'Southern World Order' (SWO) are the BRICS countries (Brazil, Russia, India, the People's Republic of China [PRC] and South Africa), which created international institutions as alternatives to the Liberal International Order (LIO). These countries, however, did not leave the LIO and continue to have close economic relations with the West. This double-track strategy arguably correlates with the plurality of domestic societal forces, which includes ideational and material ties with the West. The seminar will research and analyse the emerging world order of the Political South and BRICS starting from the issue-specific chapters of a new book on the subject edited by Rewizorski and Cooper in 2025. The four overview chapters are part of the required readings.
Voraussetzungen für Studiennachweise / Modulprüfungen
Studiennachweis: aktive Teilnahme an der wöchentlichen Diskussion der jeweiligen Referate, fristgerechte Abgabe der Literaturberichte in der 3. und 4. Sitzung, Übernahme eines Referats mit Powerpoint-Präsentation. Modulprüfung: wie Studiennachweis inklusive Hausarbeit bzw. mündlicher Prüfung.
Teilnahmevoraussetzungen
Teilnahme an der Vorlesung „Einführung in die Internationalen Beziehungen“, Anmeldung per Campus Office (Start ab 01.03.2026), Anfertigung von Literaturberichten (eine Seite Zusammenfassung pro Text) zu den untenstehenden Texten bis zur 3. und 4. Sitzung. Ausreichende Kenntnisse der englischen Sprache.
Literaturhinweise
- Cooper, Andrew F. (2025) Contesting Institutional Design from a Global South Perspective: The Debate over 'Big' and 'Small' Membership from Bandung to the BRICS/NDB, in: Rewizorski M./Cooper A. F. (eds) Global Governance and the Political South. Continuity and Change In and Beyond the BRICS, Routledge. - Luckhurst, Jonathan (2025) From Pluralism to Contested Pluralism in Global Governance, in; Rewizorski M./Cooper A. F. (eds) (ibid). - Rewizorski, Marek/Cooper, Andrew F. (2025) Connecting Embedded Conceptual Debates and 'Zeitenwende': The Trajectory of International Order from the Perspective of the Global South, in: Rewizorski M./Cooper A. F. (eds) (ibid). - Schirm, Stefan A. (2025) Southern World Order? How the Domestic Politics of the BRICS Countries and Russia's Ukraine War Shape Global Governance, in: Rewizorski M./Cooper A. F. (eds) (ibid). - Duggan, Niall, Ladines Azalia, Juan Carlos, and Rewizorski, Marek (2022) The Structural Power of the BRICS (Brazil, Russia, India, China, and South Africa) in Multilateral Development Finance: A Case Study of the New Development Bank. International Political Science Review 43 (4): 495–511. - Kirton, John/Larionova, Marina (2022) Contagious Convergent Cumulative Cooperation: The Dynamic Development of the G20, BRICS and SCO. International Politics, doi.org/10. 1057s41311-022-00407-7.