

research: developing new statistical measurements, estimating quantitative models of economic behaviour, assessing the economic effects of public policies and projecting the effects of alternative policy proposals.

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Website: <http://www.nber.org>

President: James Poterba.

Netherlands Institute of International Relations 'Clingendael'

Non-profit, independent think tank for international relations. Identifies and analyses emerging political and social developments for the benefit of government and the general public. Programme concentrations: diplomatic studies; European studies; security and conflict; international energy.

Address: Clingendael 7, 2597 VH The Hague, Netherlands.

Website: <http://www.clingendael.nl>

Director: Prof. Dr Jaap (J. W.) de Zwaan.

Overseas Development Institute

Founded 1960. Independent think tank on international development and humanitarian issues. Aims to inspire and inform policy and practice that lead to the reduction of poverty, the alleviation of suffering and the achievement of sustainable livelihoods in developing countries.

Address: 111 Westminster Bridge Road, London SE1 7JD, UK.

Website: <http://www.odi.org.uk>

Director: Alison Evans.

Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO)

Founded 1959. Independent research institute that aims to promote peace through conflict resolution, dialogue and reconciliation, public information and policy-making activities. Research programmes: conflict resolution and peacebuilding; ethics, norms and identities; security programme. Two research centres: Centre for the Study of Civil War; Cyprus Centre.

Address: Hausmanns gate 7, 0186 Oslo, Norway.

Website: <http://www.prio.no>

Director: Kristian Berg Harpviken.

Peterson Institute for International Economics

Founded 1981. Private, non-profit, non-partisan research institution devoted to the study of international economic policy. Research encompasses country and regional studies, debt and development, globalization, international finance/macro-economics, international trade and investment, and US economic policy.

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Website: <http://www.iie.com>

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Website: <http://www.rand.org>

President: James A. Thomson.

Royal United Services Institute

Founded 1831. Independent think tank engaged in defence and security research. Research areas: UK defence policy; Afghanistan-Pakistan strategies; nuclear arms control in the Obama era; politics of transatlantic security.

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Website: <http://www.rusi.org>

Director: Prof. Michael Clarke.

Shanghai Institute for International Studies

Founded 1960. Research organization for studies of international politics, economy, security strategy and China's external relations. Aims to develop modernization in China and promote the economic development of Shanghai.

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Website: <http://www.siiis.org.cn>

President: Yang Jiemian.

Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI)

Founded in 1966 by the Swedish parliament. Independent international institute dedicated to research into conflict, armaments, arms control and disarmament. Compiles detailed studies on multilateral peace operations, military expenditure, arms transfers and arms embargoes.

Address: Signalistgatan 9, SE-169 70 Solna, Sweden.

Website: <http://www.sipri.org>

Director: Dr Bates Gill.

Transparency International

Founded 1993. Non-partisan global civil society organization seeking to create change towards a world free of corruption. Global priorities: combating corruption in politics, public contracting and the private sector; international anti-corruption conventions; poverty and development.

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Website: <http://www.transparency.org>

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Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars

Founded in 1968 by an act of Congress as a memorial to former US president Woodrow Wilson. Non-partisan, it promotes and develops relations between policy-makers and academic scholars. Research covers most public policy areas, specializing in the field of international affairs.

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Website: <http://www.wilsoncenter.org>

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