Wednesday 28 March 2018 Semi-Closed Seminar
Relationships between Arms Availability and Violence

Is there a relationship between the level of arms flowing into a society or domestic proliferation on the one hand, and the level of conflict and armed violence on the other? In which conditions do arms inflows or domestic proliferation lead to arms misuse?

These questions will be discussed on Wednesday, 28 March 2018, at a semi-closed seminar titled, “Relationships between Arms Availability and Violence.” In this seminar, we will review debates on these questions that have taken place over past 25 years, introduce new case studies, and present new lessons learnt. We will focus our attention on two cases that are often mentioned in arms control literature but are still under-researched: the “intensification of conflict” in East African pastoralist societies after influxes of arms, and the “success” of sword-hunting and firearms control in Japan. Based on historical and anthropological research, the panel will decode the existing myths concerning these cases, present new findings, and discuss new ways to understand these issues.

Our guest speakers will be Nicholas Marsh, Research Fellow at the Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO), Itsuhiro Hazama, Associate Professor at Nagasaki University and Toru Sagawa, Assistant Professor at Keio University.

[Date and time] Wednesday 28 March 2018, 2:00PM-6:00PM, Room C5, 17th floor, Global Front Building, Meiji University
[Entry fee] Free
[Seating capacity] Maximum 30 seats
[Registration] INVITATION ONLY. Pre-register before 27 March 2018 at the link below. We will close the registration when the number of applicants reaches the capacity.
https://goo.gl/kRNKvj
*The seminar will be held in English without translation. Your information will be kept confidential by the Meiji University Research Institute for the History of Global Arms Transfer and will be used to provide you with information on its events.

[Panelists]
Chair and Opening Remarks: Tomoji Onozuka, Tokyo University
Speakers
- Nicholas Marsh, Research Fellow, Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO)
  “Review of research on arms availability and violence”
- **Itsuhiro Hazama**, Associate Professor, Nagasaki University
  “Arms availability and violence among the Karimojong and Dodoth in North Eastern Uganda”

- **Toru Sagawa**, Assistant Professor, Keio University
  “Arms availability and violence among the Daasanach and their neighboring peoples”

- **Tamara Enomoto**, Research Fellow, Meiji University Research Institute for the History of Global Arms Transfer
  “Giving up arms?: Overcoming myths about Japanese sword-hunting and firearms control”

**Closing Remarks**: Katsuhiko Yokoi, Meiji University

**Biographies of the speakers**

**Nicholas Marsh** is a Research Fellow at the Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO). Since 2001 he has worked there on the international arms trade, governance of that trade, and the effects of arms proliferation on violence. Until 2017 he managed the NISAT database of the global small arms trade. He has worked on arms proliferation as a consultant to the Small Arms Survey and the UN Office on Drugs and Crime. He has also been the Chair of a European COST research network on the relationship between arms proliferation and violence. Recent publications include articles on arms proliferation and governance of the arms trade in *PRISM, European Security* and the *Strategic Trade Review*; he is the co-author of five chapters of the *Small Arms Survey* yearbook, and is co-editor of the book *Small Arms, Crime and Conflict*.

**Itsuhiro Hazama** is Associate Professor at Nagasaki University. He has carried out research based on fieldwork conducted from 1998 in East African pastoral societies, focusing on the attempt of a trans-local peaceful coexistence, including the detriment of the "compulsory" disarmament policy of Uganda to local people and self-control of the armed forces. His publications include ‘Violence and medical pluralism among the Karimojong and the Dodoth in northeastern Uganda’ (*African Study Monographs*, Suppl. 53: 69-84), and ‘Disarmament policies for ending armed conflict in an East-African pastoral society’ (In D. Knaute and S. Kagan (eds.) *Sustainability in Karamoja? Rethinking the Terms of Global Sustainability in a Crisis Region of Africa.* Köln: Rüdiger Köppe Verlag).
Toru Sagawa is Assistant Professor at the Keio University. He has carried out research among the pastoral peoples in East Africa since 2001, focusing on their inter-ethnic relations and development issues. His publications include ‘Automatic rifles and social order amongst the Daasanach of conflict-ridden East Africa’ (Nomadic Peoples 14 (1): 87-109), ‘War experiences and self-determination of the Daasanach in the conflict-ridden area of northeastern Africa’ (Nilo-Ethiopian Studies 14: 19-37), and ‘Local potential for peace: Trans-ethnic cross-cutting ties among the Daasanech and their neighbors’ (In C. Echi-Gabbert and S. Thubauville (eds.) To Live with Others: Essays on Cultural Neighborhood in Southern Ethiopia, Rüdiger Köppe Verlag).

Tamara Enomoto is Research Fellow at the Meiji University. From 2013 to 2015, she worked at an international NGO as a policy officer on arms control and humanitarian issues. Her research interests range from critical security studies, history of arms control and disarmament, to African politics. Her publications include Disarmament and Arms Control in the History of International Politics: From the Nineteenth Century to the Present (Editor, Nihon Keizai Hyouronsha), ‘Controlling arms transfers to non-state actors: From the emergence of the sovereign-state system to the present’ (History of Global Arms Transfer, 3: 3-20), and ‘Governing the vulnerable self at home and abroad: Peace and justice in northern Uganda and “KONY 2012”’ (African Study Monographs, Suppl.50: 25-41).

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