

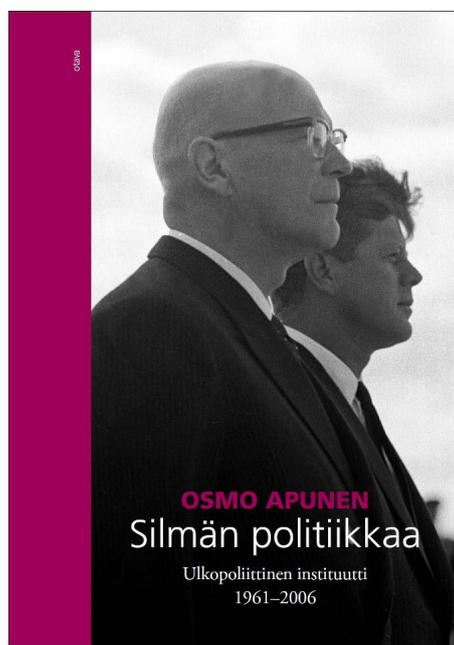
# FIIA 2/2012

# NEWSLETTER

The history of the Finnish Institute of International Affairs has been published. The Association for Cultural, Scientific and Advocacy Magazines has awarded a prize to the Finnish Journal of Foreign Affairs at the annual quality magazine competition.

## The history of the FIIA published

Emeritus Professor Osmo Apunen has authored the history of the Finnish Institute of International Affairs. The book, entitled **Silmän politiikkaa: Ulkopoliittinen instituutti 1961–2006**, outlines both the history of the Institute and the history of Finnish foreign policy since early 1960s. The book is available to purchase from the Institute for €20 + postage.



Osmo Apunen's *Silmän politiikkaa* tells the history of the Finnish Institute of International Affairs while also outlining the history of Finnish foreign policy from the Cold War era to the 21st century.

## The Finnish Journal of Foreign Affairs recognised

The Finnish Journal of Foreign Affairs (*Ulkopolitiikka-lehti*) has won a prize at the annual quality magazine competition of the Association for Cultural, Scientific and Advocacy Magazines (Kultti ry). The journal shares first prize with the magazine *Basso*. According to the jury, the *Finnish Journal of Foreign Affairs* displays a great deal of expertise.

The award was presented at the World Village Festival in Helsinki on 26 May. In 2008, the journal received a special mention at the competition.

## Research projects

The European Parliament has published a study by FIIA researcher **Anaïs Marin** entitled **Sociological Study on the Composition of the Belarusian Society**. In the study, she assesses the limited impact of EU sanctions and advocates the opening of a “third track” in order to build a real partnership with Belarusian society. The study also evaluates the wider geopolitical context of Belarus's ongoing integration with Russia.

**Teija Tiilikainen** and **Timo Behr** will co-edit a book. The aim of the edited volume is to empirically map and theorize the foreign policies of Northern European countries towards the Arab world; the working title of the book is *Northern European Countries and the Arab World*:

## *Opportunistic Bystanders or Normative Leaders?*

Dr **Hanna Ojanen** has received a grant from the Finnish Cultural Foundation to write a book on relations between the UN, NATO and the EU. The working title is *Power in Interorganisational Relations*, and the manuscript is scheduled to be ready at the end of next year.

## Staff news

Dr **Calin Trenkov-Wermuth** will join the Institute in July. He holds a PhD from the University of Cambridge and his research focuses broadly on rule of law reform and transitional justice, as well as European security politics. He is the author of *United Nations Justice: Legal and Judicial Reform in Governance Operations* (United Nations University Press, 2010). Dr Trenkov-Wermuth's eight-month visit is part of the TAPIR exchange programme (Transatlantic post-doc fellowship program for international relations and security).

**Johannes Urpelainen**, Assistant Professor of Political Science at the Columbia University, will join FIIA for the month of August. His research interests include global environmental governance and he will be working on a joint-article with FIIA researcher **Antto Vihma**.

Vihma's thesis defence took place at the University of Helsinki on 20 June. His doctoral thesis, entitled *Soft Law, Hard Law, and the North-South*

The Finnish Institute of International Affairs is an independent research institute that produces high level research to support political decision-making and public debate both nationally and internationally

*Politics of Climate Change*, deals with questions of global governance in the field of international environmental politics.

As mentioned in the previous newsletter, Dr **Sean Roberts** has joined the EU's Eastern Neighbourhood and Russia programme in June.

### **Finnish Journal of Foreign Affairs**

The latest issue of the *Finnish Journal of Foreign Affairs* (Ulkopolitiikka-lehti) was published in early June. It takes a look at the ecological boundaries of our planet and looks for possible plan B's in the fight against climate change: what ought to be done if greenhouse gas emission reductions fail? The journal also introduces Swedish statistics wizard Hans Rosling, and visits Iceland to see how the island state is recovering from the financial crash.

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