4th International Academic Conference on Human Security (IC4HS)

Human Security and New Technologies

Belgrade, Republic of Serbia, November 2-3: Human Security Research Center – Faculty of Security Studies, University of Belgrade, organizes The 4th International Academic Conference on Human Security

Conference Aims, Topics and Call for Contributions

The 4th International Academic Conference on Human Security is an opportunity for scientists, theoreticians and practitioners to present and exchange their research results, experience and views on human security issues we have been facing for some time, such as violence of different forms and origin, but also some emerging issues including new technologies which create both new opportunities and threats to human security.

Topics

- Human Security and New Technologies – A New Development Initiative
- Technology as a Tool for Empowerment or for Vulnerability
- Information and Communication Technologies and Violence Prevention
- Early Warning and the Role of New Technologies
- Gender Digital Divide
- Drone Technology: The Humanitarian Potential or Risk
- Data, the New Conflict Resource
- Global Digital Freedom Risk and Digital Humanism
- Technology Safety & Privacy: A Tool for Surviving
- Technological Development and Control 'Dual-use' Goods
- Personal Data, Privacy, Surveillance, and Human Rights
- Open Data, Big Data, and Human Security Research
- Web 2.0 Technologies, e-Government, Implications for Human Security
- Climate Change, Technology and Human Security
- Disaster, New Technology and Human Security
- Smart Cities and Human Security Implications
- Cyber – Surveillance Technology – Law and Ethical Questions

In addition to papers on the conference focus topic, papers on all core topics of Human Security are welcome, including, but not limited to:

➢ Philosophical and ethical foundations of the Human Security approach;
➢ Methodological issues in operationalizing the Human Security approach;
➢ Capability measurement and empirical analysis;
➢ Human rights and development;
➢ Policy analysis and evaluation by reference to Human Security.

Human security is evidently surrounded by numerous threats. The intensity of old threats has increased (different forms of violence), new ones have emerged, while at the same time, challenges of globalisation, urbanisation and technological (ICT) revolution have underlined the inability of states and governments to develop new policies. It has turned out that the world is not prepared for many of theses threats. A wave of new technologies is moving fast and causing changes on a global level, simultaneously affecting every individual human being and every community, whereas the fusion of technologies has resulted in a "blurred line between physical, digital and biological sphere".

At the beginning of the 21st century, predictions from the end of the past century have been not only fulfilled, but far exceeded in many aspects – the number and types of problems accompanying every technological development are increasing exponentially. By suggesting the following topics for the 4th International Academic Conference on Human Security, therefore, we would like to reach and propose some solutions to the current and pressing problems pertaining to technology-human being relation from a human security perspective and within the context of its multifaceted nature. What are the ethical aspects of the use of drones in modern warfare, is artificial intelligence leading us into a new age founded on new conceptions of state and nation, are the open data uncovering enough or maybe too much, do we have (the right to) privacy in the era of digital footprint, and other interesting, provoking and pressing issues – these are the questions we will endeavour to address and to shed light to during the 4th International Academic Conference on Human Security to be organised by the Human Security Research Center.

This conference will provide a forum for scientists and researchers to present and offer possible ways how new technologies can help internationl actors, goverments and civil society organisations to prevent violence, conflicts and other disputes labelled as 'security' in the most efficient way. We will learn how individuals and communities use information-communication technologies, about their advantages and disadvantage, and try to find an answer to the question whether new technologies make people feel safer or less safe. All the above mentioned will include the examples of how new technologies are applied and how do they affect a number of challenges, risks and threats, e.g. migration, different forms of violence, natural and human disasters, threats to political security, health security, environmental security, economic security, security of cultural heritage, security of individuals and communities.

While preparing the conference programme, we will try to step out of traditional conference framework, based on lectures and presentations, and offer a combination of lectures, case studies, poster presentacions, practical sessions and demonstrations how to use tools in a safe and structured environment, for the benefit of all participants. We want to provide out participants with an opportunity to learn actively, connect and networking with other participants, exchange experiences and finally be able to better plan, analyse and react adequately to the threats which can posed by new technologies.

Important Dates

Abstract submission: April 15, 2018
Notification of abstract acceptance: May 1, 2018
Paper submission: July 1, 2018
Final paper submission and author's registration: September 15, 2018

Submission guidelines

The Paper should be written in English
The Abstract (up to 300 words); Times New Roman 11–point font, single spaced
Keywords: up to five words
Text: Times New Roman, 12pts, 1.5 spacing, justified, 12,000 characters, with the following margins: Top 2.5 cm; Bottom 2.5 cm; Left 3 cm; Right 3cm
References: All sources should be listed in alphabetical order and in accordance with the APA Citation Style.

Conference Proceedings

All the submitted papers will be blind-reviewed by two competent reviewers and presented in the Proceedings Book with an adequate ISBN number. The Proceedings Book and certificate of participation will be distributed to the conference participants at the conference registration desk.

Technical Info

Conference dates: November 2-3, 2018
Organizer: Human Security Research Center (University of Belgrade, Faculty of Security Studies)
Please note that the accommodation and travel expenses are to be covered by participants themselves.
Standard participation fee is: 70€
Special participation fee for PhD students is: 20€
Spectators: 10€

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