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## Workshop

# Low expectations? Stabilization and stability operations as the 'new normal' in international interventions

2-3 February 2018

Sala riunioni, III Floor  
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Stability operations experienced a resurgence in the last decade. This workshop aims at dissecting what "stability" is, how and why these practices emerged and are unfolding, how they have been analyzed in the academic literature, what are their sub-components (e.g. what role civil-military relations or intelligence play in these operations), and how they are linked to the broader security and development discourse.

### Convenors:

**Roberto Belloni**, University of Trento  
**Francesco N. Moro**, University of Bologna

### Day 1, Friday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>

- 13 pm Light Lunch
- 2 pm **Roberto Belloni** (University of Trento)  
& **Francesco N. Moro** (University of Bologna)  
*Introduction to the Workshop*
- 2:15 pm **Stefano Costalli** (University of Florence)  
& **Francesco N. Moro** (University of Bologna)  
*Promoting democracy or averting war? Regime transitions, international interventions, and political instability*
- 3:15 pm **Jana Krause** (University of Amsterdam)  
*Communal violence in the shadow of civil war: Implications for Stabilization and Protection*
- 4:15 pm Coffee Break
- 4:30 pm **Marina Henke** (Northwestern University, USA)  
*Why do UN peacekeepers die?*
- 5:30 pm **John Karlsrud** (Norwegian Institute of International Affairs, Oslo)  
*Getting the Right Tool for the Wrong Reasons? Examining United Nations Stability Operations*
- 6:30 pm end of day 1
- 8:00 pm Dinner

### Day 2, Saturday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>

- 9:00 am **Mats Berdal** (King's College, London)  
*NATO's Attempt at Stabilisation in Afghanistan, 2003-2014: Issues and Lessons*
- 10:00 am **Luca Raineri** (Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies, Pisa) & **Francesco Strazzari** (Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies, Pisa & Norwegian Institute of International Affairs, Oslo)  
*Hybrid orders and stabilisation efforts in the Sahelo-Saharan space*
- 11:00 am Coffee Break
- 11:15 am **Roberto Belloni** (Trento) & **Irene Costantini** ("L'Orientale" University of Napoli)  
*Iraq 2003-2017: changing approaches to stability*
- 12:15 pm Discussion on future prospects
- 1:00 pm Light Lunch
- 2:00 pm Tavola Rotonda - Roundtable (in Italian):  
*Lo studio della pace e della guerra in Italia e nell'Unione europea - The study of peace and war in Italy and in the European Union*

### Info

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