

Emerging Powers in the Global System, March 8th, One day Workshop, Pyle center

In our view, recent events, including what is now being widely referred to as the US economic crisis, highlight the need for reconsideration of the role of the United States vis-à-vis rising non-Atlantic powers in an increasingly multipolar world. As only one illustration of a larger phenomenon, Gordon Brown recently called for India, China and Brazil to be admitted to the G8, noting that G8 no longer represents the realities of global power. This workshop will seek to engage with the questions of when, why, and how such “new” powers do or might make a difference in world politics. How do we think about capabilities in the 21st century? What are the likely systemic implications of democratic as contrasted to authoritarian emerging powers, possessed of either good or poor domestic governance? What do we expect when the US is no longer the major engine of global growth? Is today’s South-South diplomacy of the G20 or East Asian Community likely to be any more consequential than UNCTAD or the New International Economic Order (NIEO)? Does a shifting balance inspire Europe to unite politically or Japan to militarize?

The audience of this workshop will be faculty and students from law, political science, and sociology, and others interested in understanding the role and emergence of countries such as Brazil, India, Russia and China. Debating these issues will be specialists from each of these countries, scholars of international relations and global systems, and experts in American politics.

Workshop On “Emerging Powers in the Global System” 8 March, 2008

Location: Pyle Center, University of Wisconsin-Madison

**Sponsors: Global Studies, East Asia Studies, CREECA, CSA, LACIS, WAGE,
University of Wisconsin**

8.30-8.45 **Breakfast**

8.45-9:00 **Welcome and Introduction**
Aseema Sinha (UW-Madison)

9.00-10.15 **Panel 1: Orienting Questions**

Paper 1. Leslie Elliott Armijo, “Emerging Powers as an Analytical Category?” (Portland State)

Paper 2. John Echeverri-Gent, and “The Rise of the BRICS and the Plight of the Bottom Billion” (Virginia)

Discussant: David Baldwin (Columbia)
Discussant: Dale Copeland (Virginia)

BREAK

10:15-11:15

Panel II: China

Paper 1. Scott Kennedy, “China’s Participation in Global Governance.”
(Indiana)

Paper 2. Wei Liang, “China: Globalization and the Emergence of a New
Status Quo Power?” (MIIS)

Discussant: Kathleen Hancock ((UT-San Antonio)
Discussant: Meina Cai (UW-Madison)
Discussant: Tricia Olson (To be decided)

BREAK

11:30-12:30

Panel III: India

Paper 1. Aseema Sinha, India: “Rising Power or a Mere Revolution of
Rising Expectations? India as a new BRIC” (UW-Madison)

Paper 2. Christopher Rusko (British Columbia) & Karthika Sasikumar
(British Columbia), “India and China: From Trade to Peace?”

Discussant: Scott Kennedy (Indiana)
Discussant: Nayantara Mukherjee (UW-Madison)
Discussant: Wei Liang (MIIS)

12:45-1:45

LUNCH

2:00-3.45

Panel IV: Brazil and Russia

Paper 1. Kathleen Hancock, “Russia: Great Power Image versus Economic
Reality” (UT-San Antonio)

Paper 2. Evgeny Finkel, “Imperial dreams and fears: Perceptions of
Russia’s role in global affairs.” (UW-Madison).

Paper 3. Paulo Sotero (Wilson Center) & Leslie Elliott Armijo, “Brazil:
To Be or Not to Be a BRIC”

Discussant: Kathryn Hendley (UW-Madison)

Discussant: Dave Trubek (UW-Madison)
Discussant: Sean Burges (COHA)

BREAK

4.00-5:45

**Panel V: Roundtable. International Relations and American Politics
Meet Emerging Powers**

David Baldwin (Columbia)
Mark Copelovitch (UW Madison)
Andrew Kydd (UW-Madison)
Sean Burges (COHA)
Jason Yackee (Law School, UW-Madison, To be Invited)
John Coleman, (UW-Madison-Invited)
Edward Friedman (UW-Madison, Invited).

6:30-8:00

DINNER