



Invitation | ZIF After Work Briefing

Dear friends and colleagues,

I am pleased to invite you to our next **ZIF After Work Briefing**:

Intelligence in Peace Operations: Technology vs. Human Intelligence?

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The UN has made substantial progress over the past decade in expanding its sources of information and its ability to produce actionable intelligence. It has hired informants, procured night vision equipment and employed aerial reconnaissance. Still, the UN lags far behind most modern militaries and governmental agencies in its use of intelligence which remains a sensitive and controversial topic in the area of peace operations.

At present, the UN is procuring unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs) for its mission in the DR Congo. Other actors, such as the EU and Germany have also started to consider the use of UAVs in conflict regions. In this After Work Briefing we will discuss the value of UAVs and other cutting-edge technologies as well as more traditional means such as informants while paying particular attention to the ethical limits of intelligence-gathering.

Walter Dorn is Professor of Defense Studies at the Royal Military College of Canada and Chair of the Department of Security and International Affairs at the Canadian Forces College. He specializes in peace and stability operations and has served in field missions and at UN headquarters as a consultant with the UN Department for Peacekeeping Operations. He is author of *Keeping Watch: Monitoring Technology and Innovation in UN Peace Operations*.

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This ZIF After Work Briefing is held in English and under **Chatham House Rule**. After the keynote and the subsequent discussion, we would like to invite you to a reception to continue the discussion. Please register with my colleague Gundula Stein (g.stein@zif-berlin.org / Tel. 030 - 52 00 56-511). We are looking forward to discuss this controversial topic with you.

Best regards

Dr. Almut Wieland-Karimi, Direktorin

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