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2015 marks the 70th anniversary of the United Nations. Both the world and the UN have changed since its 51 founding members signed the UN Charter on 26 June 1945 to prevent the doom of another World War. Today, the UN totals 193 member states while the nature and scope of the United Nations' activities have greatly expanded.

Moreover, 2015 does not merely mark a jubilee but will see a number of landmark events that are bound to shape the world organization's - and thereby the world's - future: an emergent sustainable development agenda awaits final agreement, a global accord to save the planet from unabated global warming is finally to be reached, peacekeeping is due for yet another makeover, all the while the search for a new Secretary-General to succeed Ban Ki-Moon is set to begin.

Positioned at the interface of research and policy-making, this public lecture series aims to review how some of the most pressing global challenges are addressed by the United Nations. Taking a long-term perspective, eminent experts will offer critical appraisals of the United Nations' role in pertinent policy fields such as sustainable global development, peace-keeping, human and refugee rights or international climate policy and contextualize them in view of current processes and perennial reform debates. Ultimately, these talks will contribute to answering the question whether the UN is fit to deliver on the "future we want" - the rallying call of the United Nations' "Rio+20" summit in 2012.

The lecture series is co-organised by the German Development Institute / Deutsches Institut für Entwicklungspolitik (DIE), the Forum Internationale Wissenschaft (FIW) and the Liaison Office International Academic Sciences of the UN City of Bonn.

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Never-ending story: Reforming the United Nations

#### Silke Weinlich

» Senior Researcher, German Development Institute / Deutsches Institut für Entwicklungspolitik (DIE)

07/05/2015. 17:00

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The UN at 70: A historical appraisal

#### Sir Richard Jolly

» Honorary Professor and co-director UN Intellectual History Project, University of Sussex, UK

28/05/2015. 17:00

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From the Berlin Mandate to a Paris Agreement?

A brief history of the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change

#### Steffen Bauer

» Senior Researcher, German Development Institute / Deutsches Institut für Entwicklungspolitik (DIE)

Comment: Nick Nuttall, UNFCCC (tbc)

18/06/2015, 17:00

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Peacekeeping at the crossroads.

Current challenges for the United Nations

#### **Conrad Schetter**

» Director for Research, Bonn International Center for Conversion (BICC)

#### **Richard Dictus**

» Executive Coordinator, UN Volunteers (UNV)

07/09/2015, 17:00

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Save the people and the planet: The quest for sustainable development goals

#### **Jens Martens**

» Executive Director, Global Policy Forum (GPF)

#### **Marianne Beisheim**

» Senior Associate, Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik (SWP)

16/09/2015, 17:00

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New humanitarian actors and the UN

#### **Dennis Dijkzeul**

» Professor of Organization and Conflict Research, Ruhr-Universität Bochum

07/10/2015. 17:00

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After the Summit:

Implementing the sustainable development agenda

#### **Thomas Gass**

» Assistant Secretary-General, UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UN DESA)

Comment: Imme Scholz, DIE

15/10/2015, 17:00

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The emergence of the post-war international order and the idea of world society

#### Rudolf Stichweh

» Founding Director, Forum Internationale Wissenschaft Comment: Dirk Messner. DIE

05/11/2015, 18:00

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Fit for Purpose?

The United Nations' role in the future we want

#### Panel discussion with:

#### **Jacob Rhyner**

» Vice-Rector in Europe, UN University (UNU)

#### **Richard Dictus**

» Executive Coordinator, UN Volunteers (UNV)

#### **Richard Kinley**

» Deputy Executive Secretary, Climate Change Secretariat (UNFCCC)

#### Lutz Möller

» Deputy Secretary-General, German Commision for UNESCO

#### Jürgen Zattler

» Deputy Director General, German Ministry for Economic Co-operation and Development (BMZ)