International Boundaries Research Unit

Strategies & Tools for Effective Border Management

Monday 15 - Wednesday 17 September 2008 Durham University, United Kingdom



Tutors will include:

- Mr Henry Bolton, Conflict Prevention Centre, Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe
- Mr Tim Crawford, Cooperative Monitoring Center, Sandia National Laboratories, USA
- Brigadier General Marek Adamczyk, World Border Organization Borderpol
- Colonel Zoltán Szabó, World Border Organization Borderpol
- Mr John Donaldson, International Boundaries Research Unit
- Mr Martin Pratt, International Boundaries Research Unit

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Introduction

Managing borders in the twenty first century is a complex and challenging task. It is widely agreed that in a globalising world borders should be as open as possible; yet in the post-9/11 world governments are understandably more anxious than ever to ensure that their frontiers are secured against external threats. This innovative workshop is designed to help policymakers and practitioners develop border management strategies which strike the best possible balance between these apparently conflicting goals.

Led by expert tutors, the workshop will provide practical instruction on a range of topics which are often overlooked elsewhere, including: managing border crossings; monitoring and controlling borders between crossing points; facilitating inter-agency cooperation; managing maritime borders; and environmental and transboundary resource management. While the appropriate use of technological solutions will be explored, the workshop is not intended simply to showcase the latest technology. Rather, participants will be encouraged to adopt an integrated approach to border management which maximises the effectiveness of available resources.

This workshop is being organised in collaboration with the World Border Organization–Borderpol. WBO-Borderpol is the world's only international border policing, security and border management organisation, facilitating cooperation between progressive national border services and related agencies in order to establish and operate border systems that effectively protect and efficiently connect the international community. This collaboration builds on the successful partnership between IBRU and WBO-Borderpol in 2006 in hosting IBRU's seventh international conference *Border Management in an Insecure World*.

Who should attend?

- Customs and border control officials
- Police officers
- Diplomats and foreign affairs officials
- Consular officials
- Coast guard officers
- Boundary commissioners
- Borderland planners and managers
- Policy analysts

Tutors



Henry Bolton has been Senior Border Issues Advisor at the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe since 2006, responsible for leading the OSCE Borders Team and its border security and management activities throughout its 56 state area. In 2003 Henry became the UK's bi-lateral adviser to the Macedonian Ministry of Interior on behalf of both the UK National Criminal Intelligence Service and the UK National Crime Squad. He is also the author of the Macedonian government's National Integrated Border Management Strategy. After serving 11 years in the British Army, Henry joined the UK police in 1990 and was responsible for a number of international investigations, developing criminal intelligence systems and major incident and crisis management procedures. Henry has been with OSCE since 1997.

Tim Crawford is a Principal Member of Technical Staff at the Cooperative Monitoring Center of Sandia National Laboratories. His technical expertise is electrical engineering with a focus on regional security and border monitoring. Advisor to the US Department of Homeland Security's Department of Science and Technology, the Homeland Security Advanced Research Project Agency and the United States Border Patrol. Previous work includes support of the International Atomic Energy Agency's mission in the monitoring and security of spent nuclear fuel internationally and verification of the Comprehensive Nuclear Test Ban Treaty. He is a member of the International Council on Systems Engineering.

John W. Donaldson joined the International Boundaries Research Unit as a Research Associate in 2003. Since that time he has conducted archive research and written extensively on a variety of boundary issues and specific disputes. His current research examines the structure of historic and contemporary boundary commissions and their roles in boundary demarcation, border management and transboundary cooperation. Now undertaking PhD research on local boundary demarcation in southern Africa, he obtained an MA in International Boundaries from Durham University in 2002.

Martin Pratt joined the International Boundaries Research Unit in 1994 and is now the Unit's Director of Research. He has written extensively on land and maritime boundary issues around the world and has advised governments, commercial organisations and NGOs on a wide range of boundary and sovereignty disputes. Martin coordinates IBRU's training workshop programme and consultancy activities; he also manages IBRU's website, the Unit's GIS resources and the int-boundaries email list.





Colonel Zoltán Szabó is a retired Colonel from the Hungarian Border Guards since 2005 after 38 years service and has been European Director of WBO-Borderpol since August 2006. Zoltán's practical experience covers a variety of border management systems ranging from eastern European border security regimes to Schengen norms. He has served as the European Union Secretary of the Hungarian Border Guards and as Secretary to the International Border Police Conference since 2001. As a member of the International Advisory Board of the Geneva Centre for the Democratic Control of Armed Forces, he helped to develop the Integrated Border Management strategies for Balkan Countries. Zoltán has also served with the United Nations Civilian Police, in Cambodia.

Programme

Monday 15 September	0900-0930	Introduction
	0930-1030	 Principles of border management The process of boundary-making Aspects of border management Key challenges
	1100-1230	 Managing access and security I Policy development and implementation Organisational structures Identifying and responding to threats Technologies and techniques for identifying and responding to threats
	1230-1330	Lunch
	1330-1500	 Managing access and security II Implementing an integrated border management strategy Managing border crossings Tactics and techniques for managing 'green' borders
	1530-1700	 Developing integrated border management strategies Managing inter-agency cooperation Case studies from the OSCE region
Tuesday 16 September	0900-1030	Cooperative border monitoring Appropriate technologies for border monitoring Case studies
	1100-1230	International boundary commissions The role and function of boundary commissions Lessons learned from boundary commissions around the world
	1230-1330	Lunch
	1330-1700	 Practical exercise Working in teams, participants will allocate human and technical resources to manage a fictional border landscape.
	1900	Workshop dinner at Durham Castle
Wednesday 17 September	0900-1030	 Managing maritime borders Rights and obligations in maritime zones Tools / resources for managing maritime zones Management in the absence of agreed boundaries
	1100-1230	Environmental and transboundary resource management Legal frameworks Transboundary water Transboundary oil and gas 'Parks for Peace'
	1230-1300	Closing discussion and wrap-up
	1300	Lunch

Cover Image: A woman from Myanmar shows her passport to a Chinese soldier at the border checkpoint in Dalou, Yunnan Province.

What will it cost?

The cost of the workshop will be £1,395 per participant. Fees for UK-based participants are normally subject to Value Added Tax (VAT) of 17.5%. We regret that payment can only be accepted in £ sterling. However, we are able to accept payment by major credit and debit cards. Full payment MUST be received prior to the workshop to guarantee the booking.

In addition to tuition and all course materials, the fees cover the following:

- accommodation in a single en-suite room at Collingwood College for the nights 14 -16 September
- evening dinner on 14-16 September
- lunch and refreshment breaks on 15 -17 September

Accommodation for additional nights can be arranged at cost, subject to availability.

How to book

Places are limited and early booking is highly recommended:

- 1 Contact Astrid Alvarez at IBRU to confirm availability of places.
- 2 Once confirmed, please complete an online booking form at www.durham.ac.uk/workshops/booking or request a hard copy from IBRU.
- 3 Acknowledgement of the provisional booking will be sent by email (or letter/fax) with information on how to pay.
- 4 If payment is not received by the deadline given, the place will be released. The original booking will be transferred to a waiting list and the place only confirmed when payment is received, if a place is still available.

Other administrative information

Venue

Workshop accommodation and teaching will be based at Collingwood College, which is part of Durham University (approximately 20 minutes walk from the City centre).

Language

Teaching and workshop materials will be in English. We regret that we are unable to provide translation or interpreting services.

Cancellation

Cancellations must be received in writing not later than Friday 29 August 2008, and will be subject to a £50 cancellation fee, unless a substitute participant is offered. After this date the full registration fee will apply. Substitutions for registered participants may be made at any time, but we would appreciate prior notification.

Programme changes

IBRU reserves the right to modify the programme as may be necessary without notice to participants.

Travel to Durham

Full details of the venue, plus maps and travel information will be sent to all participants following registration.

Further information

If you have any questions about the workshop please contact Ms Astrid Alvarez, Director of External Relations and Business Development, International Boundaries Research Unit, Department of Geography, Durham University, DH1 3LE, United Kingdom

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Durham Castle - previously the chief residence of the Bishops of Durham, part of Durham's World Heritage Site and the venue for the IBRU workshop dinner.

