

Some 70 faculty, select graduate students, and special guests from throughout the UC system came together in a late March conference "designed to review the state of expert knowledge on seminal issues shaping the future of global society—both its conflicts and its quests to prosper through cooperation," according to IGCC Director **Peter Cowhey**. The scholars came from disciplines as different as economics and nuclear physics but were representative of the broad spectrum of research supported by IGCC.

"The Future of International Conflict and Cooperation" opened with a keynote speech by 2005 Nobel Laureate in Economics **Thomas C. Schelling**. Notables sharing their expertise included Sir **Partha Dasgupta**, an authority on the economics of poverty and nutrition, widely recognized for his research in economic development, natural resource use, environmental quality and human welfare, and Dr. **Nicole Lurie**, a former assistant secretary of health in the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, who offered evidence of the harmful effects of globalization on the world's health. Sessions on economics and international trade; security issues, including safeguarding fissile materials and flaws in the U.S. intelligence gathering apparatus; international law; and failed states and issues of empire were presented by **James Fearon** (Stanford U.), **Gordon Hanson** (UCSD), **Sigfried Hecker** (Los Alamos Nat'l Laboratory), **Michael Mann** (UCLA), **Helen V. Milner** (Princeton U.), **Kal Raustiala** (UCLA School of Law), and **Amy Zegart** (UCLA). [Click here to view biographies of all the speakers.](#)

The conference proceedings were streamed live on the Internet and are now available for on-demand viewing at: <http://www-igcc.ucsd.edu/IGCC2006conference/webcasts.php>

McCormick Tribune Foundation supports IGCC. IGCC has received a grant in the amount of \$40,000 from the McCormick Tribune Foundation to support our upcoming workshop "Changing Media, Changing China." Organized by IGCC Research Director **Susan Shirk**, the workshop will bring together faculty researchers and journalists to explore the ways that China's changing mass media is changing China's political and social landscape.

Ocean Foundation supports IGCC's work. IGCC has received a grant in the amount of \$5,000 from the Ocean Foundation to support a workshop on coastal water quality, to be held in Malaysia in December 2006. The workshop, "Managing Beach Water Quality in Southeast Asia: Will Public Information Programs Work?" (co-sponsored by the Universiti Sains Malaysia), will evaluate the role that public information programs on beach water quality could play in reducing risks to human and marine health and enhancing the sustainability of the recreation and tourism industries in Southeast Asia. The conference is part of IGCC's work on international environmental policy, under the direction of Research Director Jeff Vincent.

NEWS & HIGHLIGHTS

The recent IGCC-run Northeast Asia Cooperation Dialogue meeting in Tokyo received much attention in the international press.

[Link to article in Washington Post](#)
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Cooperation Dialogue
April 2006**

**Changing Media,
Changing China
May 2006**

**IGCC Spring Steering
Committee Meeting
May 2006**

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