Governance in the Republic of the Sudan: Regional Conflicts after Southern Secession

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Forum Details:
From the well known problems in Darfur to the recently documented conflict in South Kordofan and ongoing tensions in the Blue Nile State, regional conflict in the Republic of the Sudan is an increasing problem. While these conflicts can be interpreted as new secessionist movements, the conflicts in Sudan are complex, with many contributing drivers, including weak governance and economic incentives. What is the way forward for the Republic of the Sudan? What actions should the international community take?

Speakers

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Rebecca Hamilton is a Special Correspondent on Sudan for The Washington Post, a Pulitzer Center grantee, and a fellow at the New America Foundation. She is the author of the book "Fighting for Darfur: Public Action and the Struggle to Stop Genocide," the result of a multi-year investigation into the impact of the U.S.-based citizen advocacy movement on Darfur policy. Her writing has been published in a range of outlets including Foreign Affairs, Foreign Policy, The New Republic, Newsweek, The Atlantic, Christian Science Monitor and The International Herald Tribune. Born in New Zealand, she moved to Australia at 15. She was awarded a Knox Fellowship to attend Harvard and graduated as a joint degree student from Harvard Law School (Juris Doctor) and Harvard Kennedy School (Master of Public Policy) in 2007. Before beginning to work full-time on "Fighting for Darfur" she worked as a lawyer at the International Criminal Court.

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Jonathan Temin is the Director of USIP's Sudan Program. He travels to Sudan frequently to assess developments and meet with government officials, civil society leaders and international actors. Prior to joining the Institute he spent five years with the non-governmental organization CHF International designing development and peacebuilding programs throughout Africa and elsewhere. He has worked in more than a dozen countries across Africa, Latin America and Eastern Europe. He is the author of more than a dozen publications focusing on Africa, conflict, governance and media in respected journals, edited volumes and newspapers. He
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Steve Utterwulghe is the Vice President of Development at Search for Common Ground. He was SFCG Angola Country Director during and after the civil war. He then became the Executive Director of the European Headquarters in Brussels where he also served as President of the European Peacebuilding Liaison Office, the largest alliance of peacebuilding organizations in Europe. Prior to that, he worked at the United Nations in Geneva; in Sudan for the Office of the Deputy Special Representative of the Secretary-General; and at the European Commission in Brussels where he managed post-genocide rehabilitation funds for Rwanda. He is an Advisor to the Australian Government’s Agency for International Development. Steve has published articles and opinions on international affairs, conflict management, forced displacement and human rights in European, American and African academic journals and newspapers. His work is referred to in several books as well as in working documents. He earned Master's degrees from the London School of Economics (UK) and Tilburg University (The Netherlands)/Louvain University (Belgium). Steve holds a Post-graduate Certificate from Cambridge University in Sustainable Business and attended an executive management program at Harvard Business School. He speaks French, English and Portuguese.

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