

Identity makes the World go round: Social Constructivist Foreign Policy Analysis

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Forschungsfrage:

How do certain national identity constructions enable specific foreign and security policies?

- 1) How are national identity elements (re-) interpreted in foreign policy and security discourses?
- 2) How do domestic changes influence the perception of possible and desirable international partners?
- 3) How do changes in national discourse hegemony constitute changes in foreign policy?
- 4) How can established theoretical models and methods be fruitfully applied to new case studies?

Methodik:

Discourse Analysis

Ergebnis:

- 1) Global security frameworks are re-interpreted to fit local securitizations and influence the organization of security in nation states.
- 2) Internal changes can contribute to a changed perception of the international environment.
- 3) Discourse-bound identity theory is able to explain changes in foreign policy behaviour.
- 4) Social Constructivist models can fruitfully be applied to new cases and generate valuable empirical results.