# 8th Annual Conference:

**Strategic and Geopolitical Issues in the Contemporary World**
**Secession in the Post-Truth, Post-Order World**

**Date:** 9th November 2018  
**Venue:** American Center, Tržiště 13, Prague 1

## Preliminary programme

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## Bloc 1 – Keynote speeches

**Panel chair:** Martin Riegl  

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<td>Alexis Heraclides</td>
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**10:15–10:45** Discussion  
**10:45–11:00** Coffee break
Bloc 2
Panel chair: Bohumil Doboš

11:00 – 11:15
Aleksandar Pavković
Macquarie University (AUS)
After Kosovo: secession in a “post-order” world

11:15 – 11:30
Matt Qvortrup
Coventry University (GBR)
Breaking up is hard to do:
Referendums on Self-Determination in Historical Perspective

11:30 – 11:45
Eiki Berg, Martin Mölder
University of Tartu (EST)
The Structural Impact of Kosovo/Ukraine on Russian Foreign Policy Discourse: Evidence from Quantitative Text Analysis

11:45 – 12:00
Giulia Prelz Oltramonti
Université Libre de Bruxelles (BEL)
Is secession viable? Looking at practices and discourses in Abkhazia and Somaliland

12:00 – 12:15
Přemysl Rosůlek
Západočeská univerzita (CZE)
Negative Aspects of Secessionist Referenda

12:15 – 12:30 Discussion

12:30 – 13:30 Lunch break

Bloc 3
Panel chair: Martin Riegl

13:30 – 13:45
Cameron Healy
Gonzaga University (USA)
Secessionism through Lens of Game Theory

13:45 – 14:00
Marcin Kosienkowski
John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin (POL)
The 2006 sovereignty referendum in the de facto state of Transnistria – why did it take place?

14:00 – 14:15
Michele Pigliucci
University of Rome “Tor Vergata” (ITA)
Notes for a Geography of Identity: Trieste pro-secession movement

14:15 – 14:30
Josef Kučera
Ostrava University (CZE)
A Mid-rainy season Night’s Dream – Facebook stories of Ambazonian leaders being abroad during Anglophone crisis in Cameroon

14:30 – 14:45 Discussion