

SAIS Perspectives - 2012 Edition

Altruism or Opportunism? Strategic Interests in Development

Call for Submissions

Are Chinese multinationals fueling growth in Africa or stripping it of its resources? Is US foreign aid to the Middle East designed to promote democracy or buy peace? How do international allocations of aid reflect the strategic agendas of donor nations?

The 2012 issue of *SAIS Perspectives* will explore the tension between altruism and opportunism in international development. From military intervention in civil wars to democracy building in rogue states, the motives for international development increasingly reflect the strategic objectives of the intervener. Governments concerned with security and economic stability at home require development practitioners to justify investment in security and economic advancement abroad. Initiatives with an overt strategic focus, however, have come under attack for neglecting the needs of the most disadvantaged. These tensions have sparked an internal conflict over whether development programs can effectively deliver economic and social improvements while simultaneously ensuring their own domestic support.

The Perspectives editorial board invites submissions from the SAIS community that consider both the regional and functional significance of strategic interests in development. We are interested in open editorials (800-1200 words) and descriptive, research-based essays (1400-2000 words). Students from all concentrations are welcome to submit papers. We look forward to reading creative approaches to our theme.

Deadlines

The early submission deadline for students and faculty from the DC and Bologna campuses is **Monday, November 28, 2011**.

We strongly encourage you to submit by this date, as you will have more time to work with editors to improve your chances of being selected for publication.

The final deadline for students from DC and Bologna is **Monday, January 30, 2012**.

The deadline for submissions from students at the Nanjing campus is **November 11, 2011**.

Perspectives will also sponsor a photography contest open to all SAIS students. The winning photograph will be featured on the *SAIS Perspectives* 2012 cover and the photographer will receive a prize of \$100.

If you would like to discuss submission ideas, please feel free to contact any of our editors by email. All submissions should be sent to [**sais.perspectives@gmail.com**](mailto:sais.perspectives@gmail.com).

We look forward to reading your work.

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