**INSTITUTE FELLOWS**

**Jack Ringer ’52 Summer Fellowship in Southeast Asia**

Al-Tram Bui ’14 will volunteer with Project Vietnam Foundation, a healthcare NGO providing rural care in Vietnam.

**Linh Dao ’13** will do a comparative study of public goods provision in socialist Vietnam and capitalist Cambodia.

**Evan Schwartz ’13** will research how 25 years of political change have affected the education system in Vietnam.

**Marla Ruzicka International Public Service Fellowship**

Rahel Dette ’13 will travel to Tunisia where she will create an alternative travel guide to Tunis.

**AT&T NEW MEDIA FELLOWS**

Sofia Castello y Tickell ’12.5 will document conservation biology in the Galapagos.

**Brian Kelly ’12** will produce a documentary on alternative drug policies in Switzerland and the US.

**Alex Kryger ’12** will record traditional and avant-garde theater at the annual festival in Avignon, France.

**Aditi Pinto ’12** will produce an oral history and soundscape of the mining industry’s effects in Goa, India.

**Robert Schlagel ’13** will use film to document permanent immigrant farmworkers in his native Colorado.

**Erik-Dardan Ymeraga ’12.5** will create an audio archive of Kosovar folklore and music.

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**INSTITUTE DIRECTION**

Professor of Political Science Peter Andreas, who has held a joint appointment with the Watson Institute since 2001, will lead the institute during the 2012-13 academic year. Professor Andreas’ work focuses on nontraditional security issues such as border policing, transnational crime, and international crime control. He shares his thoughts on the Institute’s direction:

> This is a challenging time for the Watson Institute, but also one of enormous opportunity as we warmly welcome Christina Paxson as Brown’s next president. Paxson’s experience as dean of the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs makes her uniquely equipped to help guide the Institute.

Our immediate task is to build on the strengths of the Institute faculty in the core research areas of global security, political economy, and development — and to build bridges between these areas in innovative ways that overcome disciplinary barriers and reach beyond the academy. Doing so will require continuing to connect the Institute more closely to departments across the university, working to bring undergraduate and graduate students more centrally into the life of the Institute, and engaging more actively with the policy world and the broader public sphere. Although we have a lot of work ahead of us, I’m excited to help move the Institute forward in the coming year.

— Peter Andreas, May 2012

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**WORLD LEADERS**

Professors-at-Large Ricardo Lagos (left), former President of Chile, and Romano Prodi (right), former Prime Minister of Italy, visited at the Institute again this spring. During their visit, the Institute produced short videos featuring their opinions on contemporary issues.
THE ENVIRONMENT

“Feeding 9 Billion”: Agriculture in Brazil

Sociologist and Institute Faculty Associate Leah VanWey hosted experts from the US and Brazil to explore whether large-scale agriculture in Brazil offers a model for feeding a growing world population. This conference extends the Institute’s focus on human security and the environment.

“Beyond Competition”: China & Climate Change

Academics and government officials from the US and China convened for a one-day workshop investigating how China will manage economic growth without ignoring climate change. Participants included US Senator Sheldon Whitehouse and Xueman Wang from the World Bank.

GLOBALIZED AREA STUDIES

Past & Future of Drug Wars in the Americas

Forty years after Nixon declared the “war on drugs,” policy-makers and academics joined in discussion at the Institute about drug policy in the Americas, considering its failures, successes, and alternatives. Former president of Colombia César Gaviria delivered the keynote address.

Arab Revolutions and Knowledge Production

Asef Bayat, Brown’s inaugural Aga Khan Visiting Professor in Islamic Humanities, led an investigation of what the Arab Spring means for the study of the Middle East. Critical scholars and journalists from the US and abroad discussed how the Arab revolutions have changed the process of scholarship and knowledge production in the region.

THE EURO

Experts Debate “The Failure of the Euro?”

Academics, journalists and market players came together at the Institute in April for a series of discussions about the global financial crisis, the EU, and the future of the euro. The conversation continues online with participant videos.

THE MIDDLE EAST

Doumani to Direct MES

Historian Beshara Doumani will join the Institute this fall as Director of Middle East Studies and Institute Faculty Fellow. Professor Doumani, a scholar of the Ottoman Empire, comes to Brown from UC Berkeley.

UCLA Professor of Public Policy Mark Kleiman spoke at the Institute in February. A short Institute-produced film explaining his proposal for reducing drug-related violence in the US and Mexico was spotlighted by Andrew Sullivan in his blog at The Daily Beast.

Global Perspectives on Poverty Reduction

The Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies led a cross-regional critique of “best practice” in poverty and inequality reduction. Practitioners and academics from the US, Latin America, India, and Turkey debated the relative merits of universal and conditional social programs in two days of conversation at the Institute.