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About UNU-CRIS

The **United Nations University** centre for **Comparative Regional Integration Studies** (UNU-CRIS) is a research and training unit of the United Nations University, a global network of centres engaged in research and capacity development to support the universal goals of the UN and generate new knowledge and ideas. Based in Bruges, Belgium, UNU-CRIS specializes in the processes and consequences of regional integration and cooperation. It acts as a resource for the UN system with particular links to the UN bodies dealing with regional integration and works in partnership with initiatives and centres throughout the world that are concerned with issues of integration and cooperation.

The mission of UNU-CRIS is to contribute towards achieving the universal goals of the UN through comparative and interdisciplinary research and training for better understanding of the processes and impact of intra- and inter-regional integration. The aim is to build policy-relevant knowledge about new forms of governance and co-operation, and to contribute to capacity building on issues of integration and co-operation particularly in developing countries.

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Director's message

In 2004, UNU-CRIS made substantial progress in becoming a sound and sustainable actor in the field of regional integration studies.

First of all, in June 2004 we moved our premises to Grootseminarie, one of the most beautiful historical buildings of Bruges. The UNU-CRIS staff, spread before in three different locations in Bruges, is now gathered in one. This will increase the communication, the exchange of ideas and the cohesion of the staff. Moreover, the number of working spaces available in Grootseminarie is considerably superior to the previous one, opening new perspectives for the expansion of UNU-CRIS activities.

We also opened a small office in the UN house in Brussels. This allows us to develop closer links to the international community in Brussels as well as with our colleagues from other UN agencies.

Secondly, the UNU-CRIS Scientific Advisory Board was installed and a first meeting took place in Bruges, on 29th-30th April 2004. The members of the Board elected Mr. Ali Kazancigil (Secretary-General of the International Council of Social Sciences) as Chair for the next two years. Following the Scientific Advisory Board advice, the portfolio of UNU-CRIS activities and projects has been streamlined.

Thirdly, we have been able to step up our active involvement in research networks and our collaboration with colleagues from academia and policy-making.

Next to our longstanding collaboration with the College of Europe in Bruges, joint projects have been set up with different universities in Flanders (KUL, University of Ghent, University of Antwerp, VUB). And the links with PADRIGU (Göteburg University) have also been tightened.

UNU-CRIS has been involved in the creation of two research networks in 2004, in areas related to the comparative study of regional integration worldwide. UNU-CRIS has been one of the initiators of a proposal to establish a network of excellence on "Global Governance, Regionalisation and Regulation: the role of the EU" (GARNET) between 44 leading research centres, which was submitted to the European Commission. The GARNET proposal, led by the University of Warwick CSGR, was positively evaluated, being ranked 1st out of 171 projects, receiving a grant of 5.4 million Euro. When operational, the network will create a large community of scholars and practitioners working on the issues of global governance and the regulatory framework and the place of regional integration in their management.

UNU-CRIS has also been one of the initiators of a proposal of 25 leading research centres for the creation of the European Union – Latin American Relations Observatory (EULARO). This Observatory will establish a network of networks among leading academic and policy oriented research institutions in the EU and Latin America, aiming thereby to promote a synergistic and policy-oriented work on EU-LA relations, and to bring to the international community an alternative vision of how integrating regions can mesh with and help to strengthen norm based, multilateral global governance. The project has been positively evaluated and a contract is currently under negotiation with the European Commission services.

As for academic activities CRIS is, in line with its mission statement, focused upon understanding processes of supra-and trans-state regionalisation worldwide and upon generating new ideas on the roles of regional integration and co-operation in global governance. Under the current strategic directions, six main questions are driving the UNU-CRIS research and training efforts:

(i) What is happening in the world – past, present and future – with regard to regional integration processes?

(ii) What governance structures are emerging through regional integration?

(iii) How can regional integration contribute to more peace and human security in the framework of the UN?

(iv) How can regional integration contribute to the economic development of LDCs?

(v) How do people and societies deal with regional integration?

(vi) How can regional co-operation/integration capacity be fostered in developing countries?

These questions have been translated into five priority themes:

❖ Theme 1: Monitoring and Assessing Regional Integration Worldwide;

❖ Theme 2: Regional Integration as a Political Project;

❖ Theme 3: Interlinkages Between Regional Integration and Peace and Human Security Issues;

❖ Theme 4: Interlinkages Between Regional Integration and Economic Development;

❖ Theme 5: Socio-Cultural Aspects of Regional Integration;

The present report documents the activities and projects that have been deployed in 2004.

Among the main events UNU-CRIS has organized in 2004, I would like to highlight the following ones:

• On 21 January we presented the preliminary findings of the UNU-CRIS study on 'Regional Security and Global Governance' at the UN in New York. The meeting was attended by 150 people, both UN officials and officials from the permanent representations;

• On 12-13 July, UNU-CRIS co-organised together with the Kiel Institute for World Economics (IfW), and the University Association for Contemporary European Studies (UACES) the First Meeting of the Study Group on "Monetary Policy in Selected CIS Countries", held in Bruges;

• On September 9-11, UNU-CRIS took part in the Fifth Pan-European International Relations Conference "Constructing World Orders" held in The Hague. UNU-CRIS was a convenor for two sections ("States, Regions and Regional World Orders" and "Broad Inter-

Regionalism Effects on European Countries' Foreign Policies Towards Other World Regions''), chaired five panels and had six paper presentations. Additionally, UNU-CRIS staff kept open during the three days of the conference a UNU book exhibition welcomed by the vast majority of the 500 participants to the conference;

- On 17 December, UNU-CRIS and the London School of Economics organized in Brussels a workshop on 'The interaction between levels of rulemaking in international trade and investment'.

As one can see from the above, the UNU-CRIS activities address many different audiences, from academic peers to policy-makers.

The main capacity building activities in 2004 were the activities by UNU-CRIS staff members in Malaysia, Ghana, Costa Rica, Senegal and Ethiopia. On September 20, UNU-CRIS together with COMESA and the University of Peace organised a visioning workshop in Lusaka on "Linking Peace, Security and Regional Integration in Africa: Capacity Building for Regional Organisations". The participants were high-level officials from regional organisations in Africa as well as national representatives.

At UNU-CRIS we have the ambition to deepen the understanding of how regional integration can contribute to a more effective and efficient governance. This implies the consideration of the regional level as the most optimal for the provision of certain public goods (development, security, democracy, …) as well as the critical study of the possible negative aspects of integration processes.

Luk Van Langenhove

Director of UNU-CRIS

THE UNU-CRIS RESEARCH THEMES

This section presents an overview of the main UNU-CRIS research themes. For each theme the overall aim and purposes are presented and a list of questions that guide our research as well as a description of the main projects that were undertaken in 2004. A complete list of the output of the projects can be found in the annex of this annual report.

**Theme 1:
Monitoring and Assessing Regional Integration Worldwide**

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a. Aims and purposes

The world has witnessed a proliferation of regional co-operation agreements among sovereign states in both rich and poor countries over the recent past. These agreements have increased in number, scope and diversity. This trend coincides with a growing consciousness that regional cooperation and integration can deliver value added in a wide range of policy areas. Moreover, these agreements have continued to emerge and to co-exist alongside the processes of globalisation, producing a twin-track development that international institutions have come to recognise as producing its own particular synergies. Regional cooperation is also seen as serving to reconcile the tensions between globalisation pressures and the demands for greater local autonomy, while offering states an opportunity to retain their own autonomy over political processes. While there is no clear agreement on whether regionalisation is in fact a step towards globalisation, it is clear that regional agreements have their own distinctive motivations and processes, varying from region to region.

The objectives of this research theme are the following:

- To systematically identify and describe the variety and evolution of regional integration agreements that currently exist across the globe, applying different time horizons;

- To provide a stronger empirical base for discussions on the role and importance of the (macro-) regional level in global governance;

- To develop retrospective monitoring and measurement tools and prospective foresight and forecasting tools for regional integration processes;

- To develop methods to evaluate the provision of regional public goods;

- To apply the monitoring tools to specific regional integration processes in support of the activities of regional organisations and communities worldwide;

- To organise participatory foresight exercises to identify scenarios for regional integration processes and

- To contribute to the sustainability of regional integration by involving multiple stakeholders in visioning the future of their regions.

The information on the regional integration processes that is generated in the framework of this research theme will be made available in different formats and through different channels:

(electronic) newsletters, public databases, reports, etc. This will be complemented with policy briefs and academic publications on methods and experiences.

b. Research questions

(i) What are the methodological, technical and practical strengths and weaknesses of different monitoring instruments and techniques for regional integration? What is the comparative advantage of quantitative and qualitative instruments?

(ii) How can monitoring contribute to transparency, effectiveness and sustainability of regional cooperation and integration processes?

(iii) How can comparative research be used as a benchmarking tool?

(iv) How can participatory foresight exercises in specific regions contribute to regional policy formation?

(v) What is the role of monitoring/ evaluation in the management of regional organisations?

(vi) What is the role of monitoring/ evaluation in the framework of interregional cooperation and negotiations?

c. Main ongoing projects and activities

Regional Integration Information System

Project leader: Dr. Mary Farrell

This project is concerned with identifying and describing the variety of regional integration agreements that currently exist across the globe, including a profile of agreements by membership, purpose of

establishment, and the legal and institutional arrangements underpinning each agreement, in order to offer a resource for researchers generally and an input for the other areas of research presently conducted or proposed by UNU-CRIS.

This **information system** sets out the principal regional integration agreements currently existing, and offers an interactive search of the regional organisations and the countries involved. Users can select a regional organisation, and identify the member countries, the purpose and legal framework of the organisation, its institutions and governance system, as well as the level of integration. The web address of the regional organisation is included wherever available, as well as links to other relevant organisations.

The database can also be used to check individual countries' membership of regional organisations, and to identify overlapping membership in several organisations. From the database, it is also possible to establish more comprehensive, specific national country data by following the links indicated.

Regional Integration Database

Project leader: Dr. Philippe De Lombaerde

This project, which finds itself in its initial phase, aims at establishing a public database with statistical data on a large number of regional integration schemes across the world. It will be implemented in collaboration with the GARNET Network of Excellence, Göteborg University, and other partners. The project is based on the research work already performed at UNU-CRIS in the

previous years on the elaboration of indicators of regional integration.

In 2004, UNU-CRIS prepared two publications on this topic: (i) a book on *Monitoring Regional Integration and Cooperation in the South: Experiences, Methods, Prospects* in co-operation with the Inter-American Development Bank bringing together experts from regional organisations, universities and independent think tanks in Latin America, the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, and the Pacific to exchange experiences, analytical insights and proposals for the future; (ii) a book on *Assessment and Measurement of Regional Integration*, currently in press with Routledge.

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**Theme 2:
Regional Integration
as a
Political Project**

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a. Aims and purposes

Regional cooperation and integration can be seen as evolving processes rather than uni-directional movements towards pre-determined outcomes. Through the various regional integration arrangements that operate across the globe, countries are seeking to find new cooperative solutions to existing problems, and to improve collective decision-making to resolve issues that cannot be dealt with by the respective national governments. Globalisation has obviously opened up a space between the national and global levels of decision-making and policy-formulation, within which states and non-state actors can develop the processes and institutions (both formal and informal) that guide and restrain the collective activities of groups.

Governance is here understood as a multi-faceted process of regulation, based upon laws, principles and norms, institutions, policies, and voluntary codes of conduct – thereby including both 'hard' and 'soft' regulation. Nonetheless, the concept of governance extends beyond the action and authority of government to include actors such as private businesses, non-governmental organisations, civil society, international and regional organisations, and transnational interest groups. Thus, regional governance can either support or challenge the sovereignty upon which national governments customarily base their authority. The objectives of this research theme include:

- To identify modes of governance that are currently observable in the existing regional integration arrangements around the world, and to offer comparative analyses of these distinct governance models;

- To examine the driving forces and shaping factors that determine the regional governance arrangements, and to identify the new pressures that give rise to the emergence of multi-level systems of governance;

- To develop an inter-disciplinary conceptual understanding and explanation of regional governance models, in order to deepen an awareness and understanding of the political, economic, and social relations inherent in regional cooperation;

- To consider normative questions relating to governance, sovereignty, democratisation and policy making under the frameworks of regional integration;

- To derive policy-relevant output appropriate to the needs of different actors involved in regional integration process, and in direct response to

specific requests from relevant client groups;

- To use the research output to support capacity-building activities among diverse actors involved with managing regional integration and cooperation.

b. Research questions

(i) To what extent are regional integration arrangements shaped by the historical and structural dynamics of the region?

(ii) What institutional arrangements offer a 'best fit' under regional integration? How do models such as federalism, supranationalism, inter-governmentalism and multi-level governance compare as effective forms of governance for regional communities?

(iii) How can a regional integration system enhance the democratic representation of all the communities within the region, ensure the accountability of the decision-makers, and guarantee the cultural autonomy of all groups?

(iv) To what extent do regional integration arrangements manage the provision of public goods?

(v) Is there a role for international law and/or constitutional treaties in shaping a regional governance system?

(vi) Is globalisation producing a convergence in regional integration models?

(vii) How do globalisation and regionalism relate to each other? Does this relationship differ in different parts of the world?

(viii) Can global and regional governance systems be complementary or competitive?

(ix) To what extent can inter-regional cooperation bridge the global governance gap?

c. Main ongoing projects and activities

The Global Politics of Regionalism

Project leader: Dr. Mary Farrell

The European Convention, as a pioneering project in new regional governance, was of major importance for UNU-CRIS. In monitoring the work of the Convention, UNU-CRIS has focussed on the role of the EU in the world. The stated policy of the EU is to encourage regionalism in the world that is compatible with global multilateral institutions. UNU-CRIS has examined the representation of the EU in various global institutions and characterising its strengths and weaknesses. Based upon this analysis, UNU-CRIS has identified areas in need of institutional reform and propose possibilities for such change.

Federalism, Global Governance and Reform of the United Nations

Project leader: Dr. Brigid Gavin

The project aims to provide policy relevant input for the third International Conference on Federalism (ICF), which will be hosted by Prime Minister Guy Verhofstadt in the European Parliament, on 3-5 March 2005. The two previous ICFs, which were hosted by Canada and Switzerland, respectively, have provided international forums for 'thinking together'

about the evolution of federalist forms by bringing together representatives from government, academia and civil society from all around the world. In the framework of this project, the United Nations University – Comparative Regional Integration Studies (UNU-CRIS) and the Royal Institute for International Relations (IRRI-KIIB) have organised two workshops dealing with Federalism and global governance and the reform of the United Nations.

Regional Public Goods

Project leader: Dr. Mary Farrell

This project explores to what extent the regional provision of public goods complements the global provision and analyses what institutional frameworks and governance structures can best support the provision and management of regional public goods. After organising in 2003 an international conference on "Regional Public Goods: the case for regional cooperation", UNU-CRIS is now working on a book project with UNDP on regional public goods. Next to the academic book, a policy brief is being produced on the place of regional public goods within the UN system. Also, the issue of how to monitor and evaluate the value-added provision of regional public goods is being studied.

GARNET

Project leader: Dr. Luk Van Langenhove

UNU-CRIS has been one of the initiators of a proposal to establish a network of excellence on "*Global Governance, Regionalisation and Regulation: the role of the EU*" (GARNET). This proposal of 44 leading research centres has been submitted to the European Commission by the University of Warwick Centre for

the Study of Globalisation and Regionalisation. After a successful evaluation, the Commission has agreed to award GARNET 5.4 million Euros. When operational, the network will create a large community of scholars and practitioners working on the issues of global governance and the regulatory framework and the place of regional integration in the management of them.

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Theme 3:
Interlinkages Between Regional Integration and Peace and Human Security Issues

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a. Aims and purposes

Concomitant to globalisation there has been growing awareness of a need for a more holistic approach to "security" than traditional nation state based conceptions. The emerging concept of *human security* places human beings, rather than national borders, at the centre of focus. It emphasizes the multifarious aspects of providing people with security and how these aspects are inter-related.

Rather than examining exclusively military responses to violent conflicts, the human security approach advocates exploring diverse ways to prevent them and acknowledges the important role of economic, political, social-psychological, cultural and environmental factors, among others.

Not only is the concept of security changing, but so are the optimal ways to address it: global and regional levels of governance are increasingly seen as vital to achieving human security. In a 2003 speech, the UN Secretary General called for a new vision of global security based upon collaborations between the UN and regional organisations. The main objectives are :

- To examine how regional integration can contribute to the achievement of human security;

- To engage all relevant stakeholders (using participatory methods) in exploring how they can contribute to forms of cooperation and integration that facilitate peace and human security;

- To build a database of research and educational modules that can contribute to capacity development, particularly for regional organisations, to achieve human security.

b. Research questions

(i) Which forms of regional cooperation and integration, and which forms of governance, can best contribute to human security? Which might have negative consequences for human security, and how can these be avoided?

(ii) What levels of governance are optimal for addressing the various facets of human security?

(iii) How should each level of governance, individually and in cooperation, address these facets?

(iv) How can all relevant actors best be engaged to achieve human security?

(v) Capacity: What needs to be done to develop the capacity of different levels of governance to achieve human security?

c. Main ongoing projects and activities

Regional Security and Global Governance: A study of the Interaction between Regional Organizations and the UN Security Council

Project leader: Dr. Kennedy Graham, Project researcher: Ms. Tania Felicio

The project aims to explore the interaction between Regional Organizations (ROs) and the UN Security Council (UNSC) in the common pursuit of maintaining international peace and security. The departing premise is the recognition during the 1990s that the potential role of regional organizations for dealing with current and potential conflict situations, as envisaged in the Charter, had not been fully realised. The project therefore analyses the theoretical constitutional provisions of the UN and the related Regional Organisations for handling conflict, including their relative areas of co-responsibility. It then reviews the historical development in this respect, through both policy-formulation based on the UNSC-RO dialogue, and selected regional case studies. Conclusions and prescriptive recommendations are drawn, aiming to highlight the relationship between a global approach and a regional approach to differing levels of conflict.

Prof. Dr. Luk Van Langenhove opening speech at the Roundtable on "Regional Security and Global Governance" organized by UNU-CRIS together with the Institute of European Studies of the Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Brussels, 11th of June 2004.

**Linking Peace, Human Security
and Regional Integration
in Africa**

Project leader: Dr. Nikki Slocum

This project aims to examine how regional cooperation and integration can contribute to the achievement of human security in Africa. It began with a conference co-organised with the Africa Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies (Bradford University, UK) and was attended by academics, researchers and senior officials of African regional organizations. The purpose was to stimulate academic and policy debate on the link between peace, security and regionalism in contemporary Africa.

A main emerging theme was that while many of the African regional organizations had begun as mere economic and trade partnerships, they had incorporated peace and security into their mandates after coming to the realization that these were requisite to viable and sustainable economic development. However, many of the regional organizations lacked the capacity to fulfill these expanded mandates. A key recommendation of the conference was to organize a pan-African workshop for African regional organizations and civil society organizations to examine how they could collaborate to contribute to the achievement of human security in Africa and to identify capacity development priorities to make this possible.

Based upon the above recommendation, UNU-CRIS teamed up with COMESA (Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa) and the University for Peace's Africa Programme to organize such a workshop. Prior to the workshop, a Background Paper was commissioned that was to examine the

current state of affairs, offer some recommendations and provide a platform for discussion.

The workshop took place 20 – 23 September 2004 in Lusaka, Zambia and was attended by African regional organizations, civil society and international organizations working in Africa. Using scenario-building methods, participants expanded the traditional 'security' concept to a more holistic concept of 'human security' that encompasses aspects such as good governance, human rights, environment and identity, and they explored potential long-term consequences of key policy decisions. With the insights gained, they then constructed a normative vision and identified concrete ways in which they could contribute to its realization. Finally, the participants made specific recommendations for research, training and infrastructure development that would improve their capacity to contribute to human security in Africa. The Background Paper and the final report of the Lusaka workshop will be available soon.

**Theme 4:
Interlinkages Between
Regional Integration
and
Economic Development**

a. Aims and purposes

The primary aim of UNU-CRIS is to analyse how the new paradigm of development, which is incorporated in the UN Millennium Development Goals, can be served by regional integration. Developing countries are increasingly turning to regional integration in response to the challenge of globalisation, which has undermined autonomous national development strategies. Another reason is that developing countries have lost confidence in the global multilateral institutions to provide equitable development rules, and to give them 'ownership' of development policies.

Therefore, UNU-CRIS aims to analyse the conditions under which the new multi-dimensional regionalism can act as an effective engine of development. In this context our work will focus on existing and newly emerging forms of South-South cooperation, as well as the new North-South inter-regional partnerships that are becoming part of the international landscape. The new role of regional organisations in global governance will also be analysed.

b. Research questions

(i)   What new forms of regionalism are emerging in the South?

(ii)   How is regional integration fostering development in Africa?

(iii)   What can regional integration in Sub-Saharan Africa learn from the experience of the EU?

(iv)   What is the linkage between EU development policy and the Millennium Development Goals?

(v)   What is the interaction between trade regulation at the regional level and the global WTO level?

(vi)   How is the EU managing relations with the developing countries in its 'New Neighbourhood' policy?

c. Main ongoing projects and activities

**The interaction between different levels of governance in the international economy:
the role of regional agreements, regimes or rules**

Project leaders: Dr. Stephen Woolcock and Dr. Philippe De Lombaerde

This project aims to assess the interaction between different levels of economic governance and in particular the role of regional agreements, regimes or rules. Horizontal case studies in investment, rules of origin, services and intellectual property rights will be used to address the following research questions: (a) the respective approaches to international market regulation/liberalisation in regional and other levels of regime, (b) how are domestic regulatory policy approaches and (international) trade policy procedures are reconciled, (c) what provisions are made for accountability and legitimacy of decision-making, (d) is there an explicit or implicit application of some concept of 'subsidiarity' in international market regulation and if so what is this, (e) what is the interaction between regional (and

bilateral) preferential agreements on multilateral rules, (f) is there convergence or divergence between the main regulatory models (e.g. EU and US models), and (g) if possible, some assessment of the economic impact of 'multi-level' regulation of markets.

Micro-Regionalism in Africa

Project leader: Dr. Fredrik Söderbaum

A large number of 'micro-regions' are emerging all over the world. Increasingly they are becoming cross-border rather than contained within a nation-state, as illustrated by the Euro-regions in Europe, the 'Tex-Mex' cross-border region in North America, the growth triangles in Southeast Asia. This is also the case of micro-regions in Africa, which is the focus of this project. Furthermore, the research project seeks to overcome the fact that cross-border regions are considerably less studied than sub-national ones. It is here also assumed that they are more significant for theory-building.

This project is a comparative study of various micro-regionalism initiatives in Africa. Using a comparative framework, this project focuses particularly on the actors who build micro-regions — the so-called region-builders — and their associated region-building strategies. The project covers a wide selection of cross-border micro-regions all over Africa, such as the Maputo Development Corridor; the Zambezi Valley region; Zambia-Malawi-Mozambique Growth Triangle; Lake Victoria Region; Cabinda; Sierra Leone-Liberia border zone; Walvis Bay, and so forth.

Theme 5: Socio-cultural Aspects of Regional Integration

a. Aims and purposes

While processes of regional integration are often state driven, they require the willingness of the people to cooperate. Changing levels of governance have been perceived by some people as advancement toward peace and economic development but by others as a threat, for example to national identity and culture. The frontiers of research have proposed that identity, sovereignty and other concepts are dynamic and can be used to promote specific goals, including promoting different forms of governance. This UNU-CRIS programme explores how various social constructions are engendered, the purposes they serve and consequences they have for regional integration and the UN mission goals. The objectives of this research theme include the following considerations:

- To examine the cultural, social and psychological aspects of regional cooperation and integration processes;

- To analyse the impacts of various social constructions on processes of regional cooperation and integration and on human security and sustainable development;

- To explore how participatory methods can be employed to address social, cultural and psychological concerns related to processes of regional integration and globalisation;

- To raise awareness of these processes of social construction and their impacts and to build capacity to construct more actively towards the realisation of UN mission goals.

b. Research questions

(i) What is the relationship between conceptions of sovereignty and identity?

(ii) What are the consequences and impacts of social constructions related to processes of regional cooperation and integration on these processes themselves and on the UN mission goals?

(iii) What are the social-cultural concerns of people regarding regional integration and how can these best be addressed?

(iv) How can identity concepts be co-created to promote human security and sustainable development?

c. Main ongoing projects and activities

Exploring Identity and Regional Integration

Project leader: Dr. Nikki Slocum

This project's aims are to (i) examine the cultural, social and psychological aspects of regional cooperation and integration processes; (ii) analyse the impacts of various social constructions on processes of regional cooperation and integration and on human security and sustainable development; (iii) explore how participatory methods can be employed to address social, cultural and psychological concerns related to processes of regional integration and globalisation; (iv) raise awareness of these processes of social construction and their impacts and to build capacity to construct more actively towards the realisation of UN mission goals. Analyses will examine in what contexts and how identity concepts are employed, the functions they serve, as well as differences between regions.

East Asia in Global Innovation

Project leader: Dr. Cesar De Prado

This project explores the new issues, actors and external factors involved in the promotion of the ASEAN+3 or East Asian Community visions that are bringing together the countries of Southeast and Northeast Asia. The project has four major components: (a) The political economy of info-communications high-technology sectors; (b) The role of think-tanks and related gatherings of policy-oriented intellectuals; (c) The role of higher-education institutions; (d) The transformation of foreign policy of Asian countries through interregional processes with other parts of the world; with special attention to the Asia-Europe Meeting process.

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**Theme 6:
Training and
Capacity Development
Activities**

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a. Aims and purposes

The two major aims of UNU - CRIS capacity–building activities are to enhance human resources and strengthen institution building for regional integration in developing countries. This involves 'human' capacity building through the provision of higher university programmes for students from developing or transition countries, and 'institutional' capacity building through training of public officials to incorporate regional integration into their national development strategies. All activities of UNU- CRIS to provide capacity building will be based upon the principles and guidelines of the UNU system as embodied in the UNU Charter.

b. Guiding questions

- How can UNU-CRIS contribute to building academic communities in dev eloping countries?

- How can we help to link those communities into international knowledge networks?

- How can UNU – CRIS help the efforts of regional organisations in developing countries to promote human security and development?

- How can UNU-CRIS increase capacity building in regional trade integration so that it will be embedded in the national development strategy?

- How can regional integration be mainstreamed into national policy making, where national governments have expressed the intention to participate actively in regional integration?

- How can UNU-CRIS help developing countries to actively participate in international negotiations for inter-regional agreements and in multilateral institutions?

- How can UNU- CRIS contribute to strengthening regional integration institutions in developing countries, working with the priorities and strategies of the national actors?

- How can UNU-CRIS participate in information sharing with other partners in capacity development, so that all partners can agree on good practice and a set of indictors for assessing the effectiveness of the policies?

c. Main ongoing projects and activities

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On-line Masters in Public Administration, in collaboration with Open University Holland, Netherlands School of Public Administration, University of Leiden, University of Rotterdam; Erasmus University, George Mason University, this programme is targeted at people working in the public sector at national level, and in regional and international organizations. The course aims to help understanding the complexities of international public sector management, managing international projects and comprehending the relationship between national and international public sector decision-making. The elaboration of the programme is currently on going and first courses are scheduled to start at the beginning of 2005.

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- Course taught in the Masters Programme 'Regional Integration' at **Asia-Europe Institute, University of Malaya**, Kuala Lumpur (3-9 January 2004).

- Module on regional studies taught in the **Master's Degree Programme in International Peace Studies, University for Peace**, Costa Rica (27-30 January 2004).

- Three-week course on global and regional governance taught at the **Ghana Institute of Management and Public Administration** (GIMPA), Accra, to a group of senior officials from the Ghanaian public and private sectors (12-31 January 2004);

- Teaching of module on Regional Economic Integration for the **African Institute for Economic Development and Planning** (IDEP) Training Course on Regional Integration in Africa; Dakar, Senegal (8-14 February 2004);

- UNU-CRIS co-organised a workshop at the **COMESA** headquarters for regional civil servants on "*Linking Peace, Security and Regional Integration in Africa*", Lusaka, Zambia (20-23 September 2004);

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PhD bursary programme

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UNU-CRIS offers a bursary to individuals from developing countries who wish to undertake doctoral research on a topic within the field of comparative regional integration, and specifically within the academic programme of the center.

In 2004, the three PhD students enrolled in 2003 (coming from Romania, Burkina Faso and Bangladesh) have continued their training at UNU-CRIS and a new PhD student from Cameroon registered with the Brussels Institute of European Studies (VUB) is doing part of his training at UNU-CRIS.

The PhD research projects cover the following themes:

- Golam Robbani (Bangladesh): *Regional Peace and Security through Economic Integration: The Applicability of EU Model in SAARC;*

- Robert Yougbare (Burkina Faso): *Regional Integration: Complementary and alternative frameworks of governance*;

- Aurora Mordonu (Romania): *EU-Russia economic partnership- evolution and prospects*;

- Stephen Kingah (Cameroun) *European Policy towards regional integration in Sub-Saharan in Africa. A legal analysis of its formulation, implications and implementation* (in association with the VUB IES).

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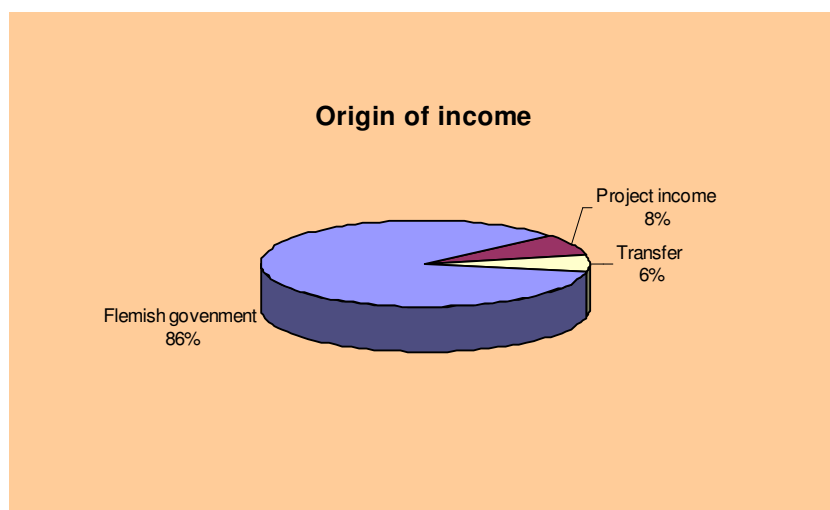
Accounts

	Budget 2004	% of 2004 budget
Income	€	%
Operating contribution from the Flemish Government (a)	966.094,71	85,87
Specific project related income (b)	91.025,75	8,10
Carry forward (c)	67.957,59	6,03
TOTAL	1125078,05	100
Expenditures	€	%
Contribution to HQ (Tokyo)	124.690,15	11,09
Personnel costs	629.392,23	55,04
Academic activities	136.296,42	12,11
Working (and installation) costs	135.828,28	12,07
Transfer Special Projects Contributions	98.871,70	8,79
TOTAL	1125078,78	100

(a)   Annual contribution from the Flemish Government to cover the Core Activities of UNU-CRIS.

(b)   Specific income is related to external projects attracted by UNU-CRIS.

(c)   Transfer of the outstanding balance (income) of the 2003 budget, to 2004.

Origin of income

Project income 8%

Transfer 6%

Flemish govenment 86%

UNU-CRIS new premises in the historical building of Grootseminarie, Potterierei 72, Bruges.

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Mary Farrell: Taught course on Global and Regional Governance at Ghana Institute of Management and Public Administration (12-31 January 2004);

Philippe De Lombaerde: Teaching of module on regional studies in the Master's Degree Programme in International Peace Studies, University for Peace, Costa Rica (27-30 January 2004);

Nikki Slocum: Teaching of module for the *IDEP Course on Regional Integration* in Africa; title of course: Course on Regional Economic Integration, Dakar, Senegal (8-14 February);

UNU-CRIS: The College of Europe Politics Department *Compact Seminar "A Global Perspective on Regional Integration"* (19-20 March);

Mary Farrell: Class on Regionalism and Emerging Regional Blocs at Université Libre de Bruxelles (20 April 2004);

Mary Farrell: Class on Regionalism in the UN System at Université Libre de Bruxelles (27 April 2004);

Cesar De Prado: Lecture tour "Excelling Globalisation; Connecting Innovations from the European Union and East Asia" in six cities in Northeast Asia sponsored by the Cultures and Civilisations Dialogue Programme of the Asia-Europe Foundation (April 2004);

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Mary Farrell: "The Challenge for Regional Governance in EU Enlargement", Paper presented at the UNU-CRIS/UNDESA panel of the *ASPA Annual Conference*, 'Transforming Governance: The Role of Regional Integration', Portland (27-28 March);

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Philippe De Lombaerde: "Monitoring Regional Integration", paper presented at the Institute for International Integration Studies (IIIS), Trinity College, Dublin, Ireland (8 April);

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Nikki Slocum: "Identity and Regional Integration" chapter presentation at UNU-CRIS Workshop on "Global Politics of Regionalism", Bruges (15-16 April);

Brigid Gavin: "Economic Approaches to Regional Integration – Micro Economic Theoretical Approach", chapter presentation (15-16 April);

Philippe De Lombaerde: 'Theories of Regional Policy Coordination, Optimal Policy Levels and Economic Convergence', chapter presentation at UNU-CRIS Workshop on "Global Politics of Regionalism", Bruges (15-16 April);

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Steve Woolcock: "Public Procurement", paper presented at the *Workshop on the "Interaction between Levels of Rulemaking in International Trade and Investment*, organised by UNU-CRIS and London School of Economics (LSE), Brussels (17 December);

Philippe De Lombaerde and Luis Jorge Garay: "Preferential Rules of Origin: Models and Levels of Rulemaking", paper presented at the *Workshop on the Interaction between Levels of Rulemaking in International Trade and Investment*, organised by UNU-CRIS and London School of Economics (LSE), Brussels (17 December).

Mary Farrell: "Regionalism and Public Goods", paper presented at the ESRC Seminar on 'Reforming Globalisation/ Alternative Globalisations', University of Sheffield (December 2004).

List of Academic Meetings
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Dr. Sven Biscop (IRRI-KIIB), Ana-Cristina Costea (UNU-CRIS), Dr. Kennedy Graham (UNU-CRIS) and Tania Felicio (UNU-CRIS) at the 'EU as a Regional and Global Security Actor', Bucharest, 25th of August 2004.

- Seminar '*Regional Security – A Path to Better Global Governance*' at United Nations Headquarters in New York (21 January);

- Workshop on '*The Interaction between Regional Trade Agreements and Other Levels of Rule-Making or Regulatives*', in collaboration with London School of Economics (LSE) International Trade Policy Unit, London (16 February);

- Panel organised by UNU-CRIS/UNDPADM at American Society for Public Administration (ASPA) Annual Conference '*Transforming Governance: The Role of Regional Integration*', Portland, Oregon (26-28 March);

- Workshop on book project "*Global Politics of Regionalism*" (15-16 April);

- Workshop of the contributors to a forthcoming book on "*The Making of Afro-Regions*" (22-24 April);

- Workshop on '*The Interaction Between Different Levels of Governance in the International Economy and particular the Role of Regional Agreements, Regimes or Rules*', in collaboration with the London School of Economics, London (5 May);

- Roundtable on '*Global Governance and Federalism*' in association with the Institute for European Studies, VUB, Brussels (11 June);

- Meeting of the UACES Study Group on '*Monetary Policy in Selected CIS Countries'*, Bruges (12-13 July);

- Seminar on the '*EU as a Regional and Global Security Actor'* in association with the Romanian Institute of International Studies and the VUB Institute for European Studies, Bucharest (25 August);

- Within the framework of the fifth pan-European International Relations Conference, UNU-CRIS organised in association with Göteburg University and Oslo University a section on '*States, Regions and Regional World Orders'* (section convenors: Fredrik Söderbaum:, Göteburg University/ UNU-CRIS and Luk Van Langenhove, UNU-CRIS), the Hague (9-11 September);

- UNU-CRIS co-organised with U Peace a workshop at the **COMESA** headquarters for regional civil servants on "*Linking Peace, Security and Regional Integration in Africa*", Lusaka, Zambia (20-23 September 2004);

- Launch of study '*Global Governance and Regional Security'*, Bucharest (24 September);

- Workshop on '*Federalism, Global Governance and Reform of the UN'* in collaboration with the Royal Institute for International Relations, Brussels (27 September);

- Expert Seminar '*Effective Multilateralism – the EU and UN as Partners'* organised by European Policy Centre, Konrad Adenauer Stiftung and UNU-CRIS (10 November);

- Seminar '*Does the EU Lead Europe on Environmental Policy? Supranationalism and Intergovernmentalism in Regional Environmental Cooperation*' organised by Institute for European Studies, Vrije Universiteit Brussel and UNU-CRIS, Brussels (13 November);

- Workshop on '*The Interaction Between Regional Agreements And The Multilateral Trading System'* (with the LSE), Brussels (17 December).

Other events

- UNU-CRIS Director Speech for Vermeylen Fonds, Vrijzinnigenhuis, Bruges (11 February);

- UNU-CRIS Director Speech for Rotary Club, Hotel du Sablon, Bruges (12 February);

- Official opening Inauguration of the Brussels Office of UNU-CRIS in the UN House, Rue Montoyer 14, 3rd floor, 1000 Brussels (24 February);

- First Meeting of the Scientific Advisory Committee of UNU-CRIS, Bruges (29-30 April);

- Inauguration of the UNU-CRIS premises, Grootseminarie, Bruges (28 June);

- Luk Van Langenhove moderator at the Conference on '*Human Rights Protection in Africa: A New Court, New Instruments and New Developments. A European Reflection'*, in collaboration with the Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Brussels (17 November).

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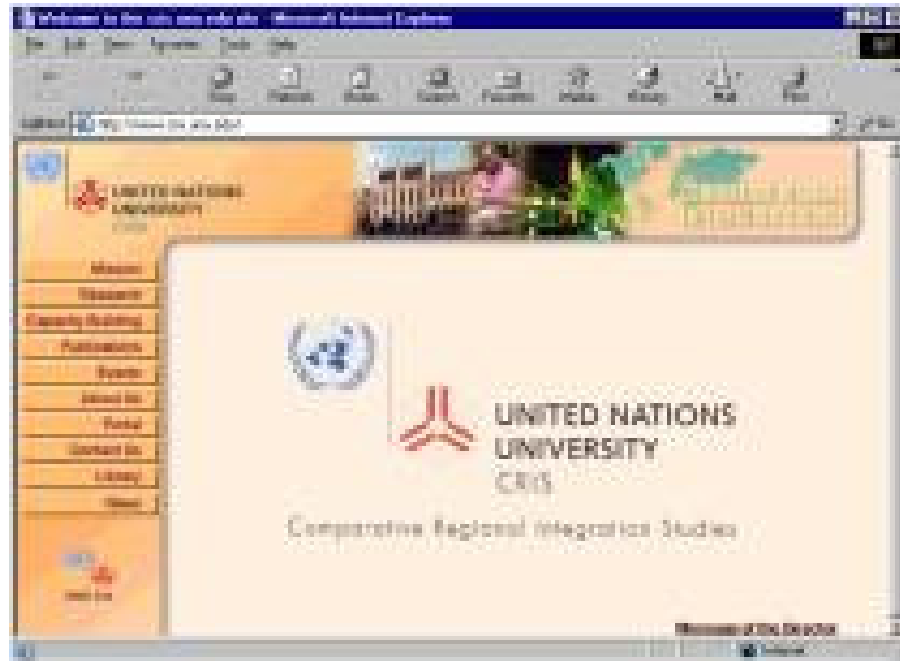**Email:** Director@cris.unu.edu
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