What is justice? According to which criteria do we judge whether something is just or unjust? What different concepts of justice are there? Which insights can the humanities, behavioral and social sciences contribute to this debate?

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Primatologist and behavioral scientist Professor Frans de Waal (Emory University, Atlanta) and neurobiologist Professor Joachim Bauer (University of Freiburg) offer insights on the role of justice from a natural scientific perspective during panel I. Professor Klaus Günther (Cluster of Excellence “The Formation of Normative Orders” at Goethe University Frankfurt) comments on their presentations.

Panel II focuses on the social sciences: Sociologist Professor Stefan Liebig (University of Bielefeld) and political scientist Professor Cecilia Albin (Uppsala University) introduce results of empirical work on justice on social and political behavior, which is commented on by Professor Nicole Deitelhoff (PRIF Research Group “Contested Normativity: Norm Conflicts in Global Governance”).

In their summary, Professor Richard Ned Lebow (King’s College London) and Professor Harald Müller (PRIF) reflect on the ideas presented: What conclusions can be drawn for peace research and PRIF’s research program “Just Peace Governance”?

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Organization
Professor Harald Müller
Executive Director of PRIF
10:00–10:30
**Welcome Address and Introduction**
Professor Harald Müller
Peace Research Institute Frankfurt

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**Panel I: Justice – Insights from the Sciences**
Chair: Professor Susanne Schröter
Goethe University Frankfurt

  **First- and Second-Order Inequity Aversion in Primates**
  Professor Frans de Waal
  Emory University, Atlanta

  **Is Justice in our Hard Wiring? Findings from Genetics and Brain Research**
  Professor Joachim Bauer
  University of Freiburg

  **Comment**
  Professor Klaus Günther
  Goethe University Frankfurt

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**Lunch Break**

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**Panel II: Justice – Insights from the Social Sciences**
Chair: Professor Klaus Dieter Wolf
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  **Fairness in Experiments and Surveys. A Summary of Empirical Justice Research**
  Professor Stefan Liebig
  University of Bielefeld

  **International Relations and the J-Problem: Justice in Negotiations and Agreements**
  Professor Cecilia Albin
  Uppsala University

  **Comment**
  Professor Nicole Deitelhoff
  Peace Research Institute Frankfurt/Goethe University Frankfurt

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**The State of the Art in Interdisciplinary Justice Research: A Revolution for our Thinking on War and Peace?**
Professor Richard Ned Lebow
King’s College London

  Professor Harald Müller
  Peace Research Institute Frankfurt

5:00–5:30
**Discussion and Conclusions**