

Section 8 – Relazioni internazionali

Panel 1. Formal Theory of Power Relations.

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There is a long standing debate in international relations about the pros and cons of balance of power versus preponderance of power for peace sustainability. Deterrence could be higher when power is balanced but uncertainty and incentives could be lower in case of clear preponderance, and these are only some of the most debated issues. Moreover, all this debate focuses on military power. I propose to present a paper on the importance instead of proportionality between relative military power and relative political and economic power. I invite submissions of other papers on this topic, with focus on formal theory or empirical analysis.