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WIIS Events (National and International)

Increasing Engagement of Australian Women in International Security

Date: Nov. 1

Time: 12:00pm-1:30pm

Location: Australian Hearing Hub Building, Macquarie University

Event description:

The Macquarie University Department of Security Studies and Criminology and Women In International Security-Australia (WIISA) welcome you to join a panel discussion on Increasing Engagement of Australian Women in International Security. Panelists will discuss their varied experiences in the international security field and will delve into lessons of the Women in International Security agenda at the global level.

Find more information or to RSVP, please email Professor Bates Gill:

bates.gill@mq.edu.au

Election Integrity in the Digital Age: Election Cybersecurity Challenges in the US and Elsewhere

Date: Nov. 1

Time: 5:00pm-6:30pm

Location: Open Gov Hub

Event description:

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While aspects of the Russia investigation are ongoing, it is now well known and agreed upon by the US intelligence community that overseas hackers succeeded in accessing critical data to influence the 2016 US presidential elections. This has raised serious and unprecedented concerns for American national security and democracy.

What are the new cybersecurity threats to the integrity of elections (in the US and around the world), posed by the digital age?

In light of the imminent midterm elections, this panel will bring together a wide range of deep expertise across sectors to investigate this critical question. Panelists will reflect on:

- What are the top cybersecurity concerns related to elections in the US (at the national and state levels)?
- What are the top cybersecurity concerns related to elections in other countries?
- What are promising ways to address and anticipate these challenges?
- What examples from other countries of good election integrity/data protection practices might help address challenges here in the US?

Find more information or to RSVP, [click here](#)

Is the Future Democratic? Democracy, Security and Technology Conference

Date: Nov. 15

Time: 10:00-18:30

Location: Representation of the State of Bavaria, Behrenstr. 21/ 22, 10117 Berlin

Event description:

The conference combines the idea of WIIS – to connect and promote women in international foreign and security policy – with the discussion of forward-looking security issues.

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Events (National)

Health Security in North Korea: Advance Film Screening and Discussion

Date: Oct. 29

Time: 2:00pm-4:00pm

Location: CSIS Headquarters

Event description:

The bleak health realities of North Korea are an understudied part of the larger problem of potential instability on the Korean peninsula. North Korea has an exceptionally high rate of multidrug resistant tuberculosis (MDR-TB), an estimated 42% of its population is undernourished, and at least 3 in 10 North Korean citizens are stunted. From a health security standpoint, these are just a few of the health issues that can pose an immediate threat to the surrounding region, especially through the possibility that conflict in North Korea could ignite a mass exodus of North Korean refugees carrying infectious diseases such as MDR-TB into South Korea and China.

On Monday, October 29 from 2:00pm to 4:00pm, the CSIS Commission on Strengthening America's Health Security will host a screening of its new film, *The Gathering Health Storm Inside North Korea*, followed by a roundtable discussion with regional experts and providers of humanitarian assistance moderated by film co-director J. Stephen Morrison. The film examines the rapid decay of North Korea's health systems and the dangers it poses to neighboring countries, through interviews with experts on North Korea and health security and exclusive footage from inside the little-seen nation.

Find more information or to RSVP, [click here](#)

What Really Works to Prevent Election Violence?

Date: Oct. 29

Time: 9:30am-11:30am

Location: United States Institute of Peace

Event description:



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One in five elections worldwide is marred by violence—from burned ballot boxes to violent suppression of peaceful rallies, to assassinations of candidates. A USIP study of programs to prevent violence suggests focusing on improving the administration and policing of elections. The study, of elections in Kenya and Liberia, found no evidence that programs of voter consultation or peace messaging were effective there. Join USIP to discuss this important new report.

Find more information or to RSVP, [click here](#)

#FakeNews and the Next Information Security Crisis

Date: Oct. 29

Time: 6:30pm-7:45pm

Location: NYU School of Professional Studies

Event description:

Information security is based on three pillars: confidentiality, availability, and integrity of information. To date, the information security community has focused myopically on the first two, and big breaches of both confidentiality (Equifax) and availability (the Dyn DDOS) come readily to mind. But amidst that focus, the community missed what some may call the real "cyber 9/11," the large-scale, coordinated disinformation campaigns executed around the 2016 election cycle that continue to this day. We now recognize the so-called #FakeNews problem as the next big crisis in cybersecurity. Join CGA to discuss narrative warfare with panelists who will enumerate the tactics, techniques, and motivations of various threat actors; identify intelligence that can help us predict where the threat will come from next; and discuss interventions with a pragmatic eye toward alleviating the crisis before it's too late.

Find more information or to RSVP, [click here](#)

A Conversation with Dr. Robert Kagan and Ambassador Emily Haber

Date: Oct. 29

Time: 2:00pm-3:15pm

Location: The German Marshall Fund of the United States

Event description:

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Robert Kagan argues in his new book, *The Jungle Grows Back*, that the post-World War II order has been an aberration from the historical norm thanks to the pivotal role the United States has played in creating the peace and prosperity of the last 70 years. If the United States relinquishes its role as the primary keeper of the rules-based system, who will prevent the vines of the jungle from growing back? German Foreign Minister Heiko Maas devoted a speech to the topic of Kagan's book, rejecting any German interest in a "jungle growing back in the world order" and calling with renewed urgency for a "Europe United" to achieve a new balance in Germany's partnership with the United States. The foreign minister argued in favor of creating an alliance for multilateralism to prevent the international order from becoming a jungle.

Please join us to hear Dr. Kagan and Ambassador Haber discuss and debate the U.S. role in the world and Germany's response. The event will also stream live on [GMF Facebook page](#).

Find more information or to RSVP, [click here](#)

International Collaboration in Human Spaceflight: A Conversation with Dr. Jeanette Epps, NASA Astronaut

Date: Oct. 29

Time: 5:00pm-6:30pm

Location: CSIS Headquarters

Event description: Please join the Center for Strategic and International Studies for a Smart Women, Smart Power and Aerospace Security Project Conversation with NASA Astronaut Dr. Jeanette Epps. She will discuss her pathbreaking experiences as an astronaut and the importance of international cooperation in space.

To find out more, [click here](#)

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Securing Elections Systems Against Cyber Attacks: Risks and Solutions for 2018, 2020 and Beyond

Date: Oct. 30
Time: 9:00am-10:30am
Location: CSIS Headquarters

Event description:

Please join us on Tuesday, October 30, for a panel discussion on securing election systems against cyber attacks ahead of the midterm elections in November and the presidential election in 2020.

Following the 2016 election, in which election systems in at least 21 states were targeted by malicious cyber actors, several studies have put forth proposals to secure election systems against cyber threats and restore public trust in the election process, but implementing consistent baseline security practices remains challenging.

The panel will discuss progress that has been made since the 2016 election, and assess ongoing efforts at the state and national level to secure election systems. Panelists will also discuss what gaps and vulnerabilities still remain, and what steps can be taken in preparation for the upcoming elections.

Find more information or to RSVP, [click here](#)

The Global Humanitarian Landscape: Challenges and Opportunities

Date: Oct. 30
Time: 4:30pm-6:00pm
Location: Rome Auditorium, Johns Hopkins SAIS

Event description:

About the Event:

As part of the Foreign Policy Institute's "Humanitarian Crises Speaker Series", Sir Mark Lowcock will discuss the challenges facing the international humanitarian system in the world of increasing conflict, rising human displacement and growing funding needs. He will also outline the new strategies to address these challenges.

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About the Speaker:

Sir Mark Lowcock is the United Nations Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator. In this capacity, he is responsible for the oversight of all emergencies requiring United Nations humanitarian assistance. He previously held the position of Permanent Secretary of the Department for International Development (DFID). He has more than thirty years of experience in international humanitarian assistance and development.

For more information, or to RSVP, [click here](#)

Accessing Vulnerable Children and Young People in Conflict

Date: Oct. 30

Time: 10:00am-11:00am

Location: CSIS Headquarters

Event description:

Please join the CSIS Humanitarian Agenda as it hosts the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) Executive Director Henrietta Fore for a keynote address and armchair discussion. Executive Director Fore's address will outline the challenges that humanitarian organizations like UNICEF face in gaining access to the women, children, and young people living through conflict and crises. She will describe UNICEF's approach to overcoming access barriers in countries like Yemen, South Sudan, Afghanistan, and Syria. She will also discuss how UNICEF is working in fragile contexts not only to serve immediate needs, but also to support communities' resilience as they build lasting health, nutrition, water, and education systems for long-term prosperity.

For over four decades, Executive Director Fore has worked to champion economic development, education, health, humanitarian assistance, and disaster relief. Her impressive career includes being appointed as the first female Administrator of the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) from 2007 – 2009 and serving on the boards of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation and the Millennium Challenge Corporation.

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The Role of Minority Voters in the 2018 Midterm Elections

Date: Nov. 1

Time: 2:00pm-3:00pm

Location: Brookings Institution

Event description: High levels of minority voter turnout were credited with swinging the results of several high-profile special elections over the past year. As this year's midterm elections draw near, it is clear that the votes of minority populations—particularly black, Latino, and Asian-Americans—may once again prove influential. How will turnout among these groups compare to past years? Will President Trump's policies and an increase in black and Latino candidates invigorate left-leaning minority voters, or will voter suppression efforts thwart the potential "blue wave" that would sweep in a Democratic majority in the House?

On Thursday, Nov. 1, Governance Studies will host a panel of experts to discuss these questions as they relate to the upcoming elections. Panelists will discuss how minority voter turnout will influence the outcome of the 2018 midterms as well as the crosscutting forces that affect minority turnout.

Find more information or to RSVP, [click here](#)

Equality Starts in the Family: Research and Advocacy for Change

Date: Nov. 1

Time: 5:00pm

Location: Bioethics Library at Georgetown University

Event description:

WLP will launch *Feminist Advocacy, Family Law and Violence against Women: International Perspectives*, on November 1, 2018 in conjunction with the Georgetown Institute for Women, Peace, and Security ([GIWPS](#)).

Leading women's rights advocates from around the globe will provide remarks on the status of discriminatory family laws and structures that perpetuate inequality and violence

both in the home and in communities. An expert panel will lead a discussion around these issues, highlighting effective strategies for reform.

This event is part of WLP's global advocacy effort, the Equality Starts in the Family campaign, carried out in close partnership with GIWPS, UN Women, Global Fund for Women, and the International Development Research Centre (IDRC) of Canada.

Find more information or to RSVP, [click here](#)

Pathways to Gender Equality: Economic Gender Analysis, Addressing Current and Future Challenges

Date: Nov. 2-3

Time: 9:00am-5:00pm

Location: 4300 Nebraska Ave. NW

Event description:

The 2018 Pathways to Gender Equality Conference will be held on November 2-3, in Washington, DC. The conference brings together scholars, policy experts, advocates, and lawmakers who recognize the centrality of gender analysis in solving major economic challenges that confront us today.

Find more information or to RSVP, [click here](#)

Artificial Intelligence and National Security: The Importance of the AI Ecosystem

Date: Nov. 5

Time: 10:00am-12:00pm

Location: CSIS Headquarters

Event description:

Join the Defense Industrial-Initiatives Group and the International Security Program for a discussion on national security, artificial intelligence, and the nexus between AI's national security applications and its broader commercial applications. At this launch event, we will present the research and findings of our newest report, *Artificial Intelligence and National Security: The Importance of the AI Ecosystem*. A public panel

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discussion will follow, where dialogue will focus on opportunities and challenges in AI investment, adoption, and operational management in the context of national and international security.

Find more information or to RSVP, [click here](#)

[Harnessing Artificial Intelligence to Innovate and Grow- A Conversation with Julie Sweet, CEO- Accenture North America](#)

Date: Nov. 5

Time: 5:30pm-6:30pm

Location: CSIS

Event description:

Please join the Center for Strategic and International Studies for a Smart Women, Smart Power conversation with Julie Sweet, Chief Executive Officer of Accenture North America. She will discuss artificial intelligence, innovation, and re-skilling the workforce for the future.

Ms. Sweet leads Accenture's business in the United States, its largest market, as well as Canada. She is also a member of Accenture's Global Management Committee. Prior to assuming this role, she served as Accenture's general counsel, secretary and chief compliance officer. Before joining Accenture in 2010, she was a partner in the Corporate department of Cravath, Swaine & Moore, LLP.

Julie Sweet is a leader on issues including innovation, the impact of technology on business, and inclusion and diversity. In 2018, she was named to FORTUNE's list of "Most Powerful Women" for the third consecutive year. Ms. Sweet co-chairs the Canada-United States Council for Advancement of Women Entrepreneurs and Business Leaders. In addition, she serves on the Board of the Business Roundtable and chairs the Business Roundtable's Technology Committee.

Find more information or to RSVP, [click here](#)

[Getting to Zero: A Doctor and Diplomat on the Ebola Frontline](#)

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Time: 12:20pm-1:30pm

Location: The Fletcher School, Tufts University

Event description:

Ambassador Sinead Walsh, EU Ambassador to South Sudan and former Irish Ambassador to Sierra Leone, and Dr. Oliver Johnson, visiting lecturer in global health at King's College London. They will discuss their experiences fighting Ebola in Sierra Leone, the shortcomings of the humanitarian response, both local and international, and lessons learned for future disease outbreaks.

Find more information or to RSVP, [click here](#)

Elections Under Threat? A Global Comparative Analysis of Cybersecurity of Elections

Date: Nov. 6

Time: 9:00am-11:00am

Location: National Press Club Ballroom

Event description:

The cybersecurity of elections is now a critical component of election planning. Since the 2016 U.S. presidential election, there is greater awareness of how cyber threats can affect the administration of elections at all levels. From voter registration data to results transmission, elections are vulnerable to external threats and manipulation. Safeguarding the integrity of elections requires a high level of commitment, both political and financial, for the implementation of measures that ensure that election processes and results remain credible.

Please join the International Foundation of Electoral Systems (IFES) for a discussion about the state of cybersecurity of elections around the world and how election officials can strengthen and protect this critical infrastructure. During the discussion, IFES will unveil a new Holistic Exposure and Adaptation Testing (HEAT) methodology that aims to secure automated and digitalized electoral processes against unanticipated threats, illicit incursions, system failures, or unfounded legal challenges

Find more information or to RSVP, [click here](#)

Girls' Education Research and Policy Symposium: Creating Systems Change for Girls

Date: Nov. 7

Time: 8:30am-6:00pm

Location: Brookings Institution

Event description:

The Center for Universal Education (CUE) at Brookings cordially invites you to the Girls' Education Research and Policy Symposium. A series of thematic conversations will explore approaches to creating systems change for the most marginalized girls. Topics will be based on the research of the [2018 Echidna Global Scholars](#), such as rethinking early childhood education from a gender perspective; addressing the need for data on the most marginalized populations in developing countries; leveraging political transitions for girls' education reform; and working with teachers on empowering girls through gender sensitive pedagogies.

The panel discussions will include brief presentations from the Echidna Global Scholars on their research on girls' education in their home countries of China, Pakistan, Peru, and Uganda, followed by a moderated discussion with other experts in their thematic areas. In addition, panel discussions with alumni of the Echidna Global Scholars Program will highlight their continuing work on girls' education policy from around the world.

Find more information or to RSVP, [click here](#)

How Iran Will Cope with US Sanctions

Date: Nov. 7

Time: 12:00pm

Location: Atlantic Council

Event description:

On November 5, 2018, the United States is slated to re-impose a second set of punitive sanctions on Iran designed to reduce its oil exports to zero and cut off its banks from any contacts with non-US financial institutions. Coming three months after a first tranche of sanctions and six months after the Trump administration quit the Iran nuclear deal, the mere threat of US punitive measures has already had a harsh impact on the Iranian

economy. However, Iran has seen this movie before – during an earlier bout of sanctions imposed in 2012 – at a time when US policy had far greater support from other world powers. The panel will discuss how effective sanctions are now and what coping mechanisms Iran has employed in the past to survive sanctions. A new issue brief on the topic, by the Atlantic Council’s Holly Dagues and Barbara Slavin, will also be discussed.

Find more information or to RSVP, [click here](#)

The Future of UN Mediation, Peacebuilding, Sanctions and Special Envoys

Date: Nov. 9

Time: 12:30pm-2:00pm

Location: Stimson Center

Event description:

You are cordially welcomed to participate in an expert roundtable on the **Future of UN Mediation, Peacebuilding, Sanctions and Special Envoys**. According to the World Bank, the development opportunities of some two billion people are affected by fragility, conflict, and violence, and due to high population growth rates and weak economic development, almost 50% of those living in extreme poverty by 2030 will be concentrated in these violent prone areas (rising from 17% of the global total today). Part of a larger three-part series on the future of United Nations led or supported mediation, peacebuilding, sanctions, and special envoys, this expert roundtable will highlight major country/regional engagements and consider both recent advances and urgent reforms still needed in the UN’s conflict management toolbox, as well as the importance of continued close U.S. collaboration. Based on the discussion, a synthesis paper will be prepared, including key cases, insights, and recommendations.

Find more information or to RSVP, [click here](#)

4th Annual Conference on Gender and International Affairs

Date: Nov. 16-17

Time: 8:00am-6:00pm

Location: Fletcher School, Tufts University

Event description:

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The Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts University is pleased to announce the third annual Conference on Gender and International Affairs will be held on November 17 and 18, 2017. This year's theme, ***Money, Power, and Influence: The Gendered Dimensions of Geopolitics***, expands upon the foundation laid by the previous two conferences, which explored gender analysis and gender-sensitive leadership. The panel topics in the past included feminist foreign policy, urban displacement, and decision-making in security.

Over the past two years, the Conferences have brought hundreds of individuals across the Fletcher, Tufts, and greater Boston community together to cultivate their knowledge of gender analysis and the application of a gendered lens in all realms of international affairs, development, and business. This year's theme expands on the past two years' Conferences, broadening the application of a gendered lens from the individual to states and institutions, with a particular focus on the impact of gendered dynamics within the global arena.

The goal of the Conference is to facilitate conversations surrounding gender and power, their impact at the individual, community, institutional, state, and multilateral levels, and what this means for policy and programming in practice. Through these conversations, the conference aims to deepen participants' understandings of the relevance of gender in relation to status, access, and influence in all areas of international relations. The Conference seeks to reiterate the importance of applying an intersectional lens towards issues in international affairs since gender and power intersect and are enmeshed within other aspects of identity, such as class, citizenship, and sexuality.

This year's conference is particularly focused on introducing a gender lens to professional fields and sectors in which it has been traditionally absent or ignored. The Conference will feature the following five panels:

- *Gender in Nuclear Security*
- *Queering International Relations*
- *The Politics of Data Collection*
- *Gender, Guns, and Gangs*
- *Gender and Impact Investing*

The panels will be supplemented with specialized breakout sessions including education in armed conflict and gender and food security. Ultimately, the goal is for audience members to leave the Conference with a broader, more nuanced understanding of intersectional gender analysis and as advocates for gender-sensitivity within their fields of work.

Find more information or to RSVP, [click here](#)

The New Dynamics of Global Energy and Climate: A Conversation With Sustainable Energy for All CEO Rachel Kyte

Date: Nov. 19

Time: 2:00-3:15pm

Location: Brookings Institution

Event description:

More than one billion people in the world today do not have electricity and more than three billion cook with inefficient, polluting fuels like firewood. Providing access to modern energy services for all must be part of any strategy to deal with the challenge of climate change, necessitating cleaner, low-carbon energy sources and greater efficiency in energy use. On November 19, the Cross-Brookings Initiative on Energy and Climate will host Rachel Kyte, CEO of Sustainable Energy for All, in a discussion facilitated by initiative Co-Chair David G. Victor. The pair will discuss how to provide energy services to the world's poorest and how to encourage the development of greener and more efficient energy systems. Rachel Kyte is chief executive officer of Sustainable Energy for All (SEforALL), the special representative of the U.N. secretary-general for Sustainable Energy for All, and co-chair of U.N.-Energy. She previously served as World Bank Group vice president and special envoy for climate change, and vice president for sustainable development.

Find more information or to RSVP, [click here](#)

Events (International)

Transatlantic Security Task Force Scenario Exercise: Transatlantic Security Cooperation Towards 2020

Date: Oct. 28-29

Time: 7:30-9:30; 8:30am-4:00pm

Location: Residence of the Ambassador of France in Germany, Berlin, Germany

Event description:

GMF Paris, as part of its tri-annual TSTF workshop, will bring together a group of around 25 high-level American and European security experts, strategic thinkers, policymakers, and representatives from the defense industry, to develop concrete and specific policy recommendations on transatlantic security issues in Berlin on November 28-29, 2018.

Through creative yet realistic scenarios, this session is designed to foster innovative dialogue between small groups of participants in an interactive and practice-oriented manner. Conducive to the emergence of new sets of ideas, the technique aims to generate a range of credible scenarios and issues for transatlantic actors based on what the international environment might look like in the future. Going beyond the operational responses typically considered in a war-game, it helps participants imagine, from a long-term perspective, the strategic, political, social, economic and environmental trends that will influence the future of transatlantic security cooperation.

For more information, or to RSVP, [click here](#)

Technology Offsets in International Defense Procurement

Date: Oct. 31

Time: 12:00-13:00

Location: Arundel House, London U.K.

Event description:

Technology offsets, a non-conventional trade-financing tool, is a multi-billion-dollar business investment activity in international defence procurement. Governments argue that offsets can act as a catalyst for a nation to leapfrog to a more advanced technological and industrial status. However, controversy surrounding non-transparent offsets management policy and implementation has tainted this activity and made it less popular in recent years.

Dr Kogila Balakrishnan will argue that offsets as a policy tool can deliver high impact and achieve effective economic, industrial and technological outcomes. This will require transparent offsets management policy and implementation, and harmonising and standardising fundamental offsets practices globally.

For more information, or to RSVP, [click here](#)

Tech Against Terrorism

Date: Nov. 1

Time: 9:00-16:00

Location: Tel Aviv, Israel

Event description:

Tech professionals: Are you interested in the intersection of technology and terrorism? Do you want to learn more about how the internet is being exploited by terrorist and violent extremist groups? Do you want to learn how you can protect your platform and your users from terrorist exploitation?

Government representatives: Are you interested in learning more about the online environment that terrorists exploit? Do you want to learn more about how your government can support and encourage the local tech scene in tackling terrorist exploitation and engage with big tech firms?

Civil society organisations and academia: Are you an expert in counter-terrorism, counter-radicalisation or counter-narrative messaging? Do you want to play an active role in supporting the tech and government sectors in tackling terrorist exploitation of the internet?

Tech Against Terrorism is an initiative launched and supported by UN CTED, which supports the tech industry through developing practical tools and advice for companies. As a public-private partnership, we work with tech companies, civil society, and governments across the world to coordinate tech responses to terrorist exploitation of the internet whilst respecting human rights. Our workstreams cover fintech, e-commerce, social media, encrypted messaging, transport tech, content storage and file-sharing.

During the first half of the event (9am - 12 noon), we invite academics, companies, governments, and civil society organisations to share assessments of the terrorist threat and discuss emerging responses to this challenge. In the second half (1pm - 4pm), tech companies will be able to participate in Tech Against



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Terrorism's in-person training workshop to help build capacity against terrorist exploitation. You will:

- Gain expert insight through declassified threat assessments of terrorist exploitation
- Participate in best practice and knowledge sharing with leading industry experts
- Learn more about our Knowledge Sharing Platform and the Data Science Network
- Find out how you can become a Member or an Associate Partner

Through this event, we will establish a workstream to build support for industry self-regulation to tackle terrorist exploitation of the internet. Whether you are a tech company, civil society organisation, or government official, this is your chance to make your voice heard.

Please note that registration does not guarantee admission. If you have any questions please contact Tech Against Terrorism on events@techagainstterrorism.org

For more information, or to RSVP, [click here](#)

China's Grand Strategy from Mao Zedong to Xi Jinping

Date: Nov. 2

Time: 13:00-14:00

Location: Arundel House, London U.K.

Event description:

Before the Chinese Communist Party came to power, China lay broken. Today it is a force on the global stage, but its leaders remain haunted by the past. Sulmaan Khan tells the story of the grand strategies pursued by China's paramount leaders: Mao Zedong, who made the country whole and kept it so; the caustic, impatient Deng Xiaoping, who dragged the country into the modern world; Jiang Zemin and Hu Jintao, who served as cautious custodians of Deng's legacy; and Xi Jinping, who combines assertiveness with insecurity. For all their considerable costs, China's grand strategies have been largely successful. But whether or not the country's time-tested approach can meet the challenges of the twenty-first century remains to be seen.

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Challenges and Opportunities in the Middle East: A Jordanian Perspective

Date: Nov. 7



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Time: 17:30-18:00

Location: The Fullerton Hotel, Singapore

Event description:

In the 33rd IISS Fullerton Lecture, Mr. Ayman Safadi, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Expatriates of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, will address the theme ‘challenges and opportunities in the Middle East’. He will discuss relations between Singapore and Jordan, as well as ways to develop mutually beneficial cooperation between the Middle East and Southeast Asia more broadly. The Minister will also reflect on the current situation in the Middle East.

For more information, or to RSVP, [click here](#)

YTN Event- Midterm Results Briefing with Kristen Soltis Anderson

Date: Nov. 20

Time: 6:30pm-8:00pm

Location: The German Marshall Fund of the United States- Paris Office

Event description:

Kristen Soltis Anderson is author of *The Selfie Vote: Where Millennials Are Leading America (And How Republicans Can Keep Up)*. She is a pollster and co-founder of Echelon Insights, a research and analytics firm. She was one of TIME’s “30 Under 30 Changing the World” and has been featured as one of ELLE’s 2016 “Most Compelling Women in Washington.” Anderson is an ABC News political contributor, columnist at The Washington Examiner, and is the co-host of The Pollsters, a bipartisan weekly podcast. She regularly appears on programs such as Morning Joe, Fox News Sunday, Real Time With Bill Maher, and more. In 2014, Anderson was a resident fellow at the Harvard Institute of Politics. Her research on millennial attitudes has been featured in *The New York Times Magazine* and she regularly speaks to audiences of corporate leaders and public officials about how to reach the millennial generation. Prior to launching Echelon Insights, Anderson was vice president of The Winston Group, a Republican polling firm. She received her master’s degree from Johns Hopkins University and her undergraduate degree from the University of Florida. Originally from Orlando, Florida, Anderson now lives in Washington, DC with her husband Chris.

For more information, or to RSVP, [click here](#)

Protecting Civilians: When is Incidental Harm Excessive

Date: Dec. 14

Time: 10:00am-11:30am

Location: Chatham House, Geneva Switzerland

Event description:

There have been large numbers of civilian deaths in the armed conflicts in Yemen and Syria. Is international humanitarian law being ignored?

This meeting coincides with the launch of a Chatham House research paper on the incidental harm side of the proportionality assessment which belligerents are legally required to make. The panel at the meeting will consider the types of harm that fall within the scope of proportionality assessments, what constitutes 'excessive' harm and measures that belligerents can take to give effect to the rule on proportionality.

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Member Publications

[Guide to Women Leaders 2018](#)

Author: Women's Foreign Policy Group

Description:

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