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Events (National)

The Future of Conflict: Carnegie Junior Fellows Conference 2019

Date: June 12

Time: 11:30am-5:00pm

Organization: United States Institute of Peace Location: United States Institute of Peace

As renewed rivalries set in among great powers and instability grows around the world, it is more difficult than ever to predict the nature of future conflicts. How will future wars between states be fought? How likely is great power conflict? How does growing violence within states impact the international system? And how does the potent combination of new technologies, resurgent authoritarianism and populism, and the changing role of international organizations affect these dynamics?

Join us for a conference that will bring together experts and young professionals to discuss the future of conflict. This conference is geared toward young professionals. Interested attendees should fill out the application form below. Applications will be accepted until 11:59 p.m. on May 5, 2019. The conference will take place on June 12, 2019 from 11:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Lunch will be provided, and a reception will follow.

RSVP Here.

Inside the Five-Sided Box: A Conversation with the Hon. Ash Carter

Date: June 12 **Time**: 1pm-2pm

Organization: The Center for Strategic and International Studies **Location**: The Center for Strategic and International Studies

The Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS) invites you to attend a conversation with the 25th Secretary of Defense Ash Carter on his new book, "Inside



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the Five-Sided Box: Lessons from a Lifetime of Leadership in the Pentagon". In this new book, former Secretary of Defense Ash Carter demystifies the Pentagon and sheds light on all that happens inside one of the nation's most iconic, and most closely guarded buildings. Drawn from Carter's thirty-six years of leadership experience in the Department of Defense, this is an essential conversation for understanding the challenge of defending America in a dangerous world—and imparting a trove of incisive lessons that can guide leaders in any complex organization.

Dr. John Hamre will introduce Secretary Carter at the event and Mr. Andrew Hunter will moderate the discussion. Please join us on Wednesday, June 12th for this timely conversation with the Honorable Ash Carter. Books will be available for purchase at the event.

RSVP here.

Third Annual US-Georgia Strategic Partnership Conference

Date: June 12

Time: 9:00am-12:00pm

Organization: United States Institute of Peace

Location: U.S. Institute of Peace, 2301 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC

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Please join the United States Institute of Peace, Embassy of Georgia, and the Heritage Foundation for the third annual U.S.-Georgia strategic partnership conference. Featuring renowned experts and government officials, the conference will explore the current state of regional affairs, focusing on the geopolitical interests of the United States and Georgia and bilateral economic and trade opportunities.

The conference will also look at how the United States and Georgia can further strengthen the ties between the two nations. It will also provide a unique chance for U.S. decision-makers, experts, scholars, and journalists to focus on geopolitical regional trends and challenges, and explore bilateral opportunities from both the regional and international perspective. Take part in the conference on Twitter with #GEOUS. Register Here.



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2019 National Security Conference: Sharpening America's Edge

Date: June 14

Time: 9:30am-4:30pm

Organization: Center for a New American Security

Location: Washington Hilton

This year's CNAS National Security Conference will explore the United States' efforts to sharpen its strategic edge in an era of heightened global competition. From sustaining America's military advantage, to countering high-tech illiberalism, to designing new

ways to project U.S. economic power, each session will offer new ideas to evaluate the national security debate.

RSVP Here.

TruCon19, American Global Leadership: The Path Forward

Date: June 14

Time: 8:15am-5:00pm

Organization: Truman Center for National Policy

Location: Washington Marriott at Metro Center, 775 12th Street, NW, Washington, D.C.

American leadership, at home and abroad, are up for debate. Questions of war and peace, law and order, and diversity and pluralism have divided our government and our nation. Now more than ever, we all must speak loudly and clearly in favor of living our values. Against this backdrop, Truman Center for National Policy and Truman National Security Project are convening our nationwide community, and we would like to invite you to participate in this conversation at TruCon19. This year, Truman's annual conference will be held from 14 June to 16 June at the Washington Marriott at Metro Center.

On Friday 14 June—our public day, open to members of the broader progressive movement, national security field, and the press—please join us to hear from leaders inside and outside our community who live and lead with their values at the local, state, and national levels. Then, on Saturday 15 June and Sunday 16 June, programming for our members will continue with trainings, presentations, and panels while also working towards a shared articulation of our vision for national security and foreign policy in 2020 and beyond.



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Reserve tickets here.

Ill Winds: Saving Democracy from Russian Rage, Chinese Ambition and American

Complacency
Date: June 18

Time: 6:00pm-7:30pm

Organization: Carnegie Council for Ethics in International Affairs

Location: Merrill House, 170 East 64th Street, New York, NY 10065-7478

Larry Diamond's core argument is stark: the defense and advancement of democratic ideals relies on U.S. global leadership. If the U.S. does not reclaim its traditional place as the keystone of democracy, today's authoritarian trend could become a tsunami that could provide an opening for Vladimir Putin, Xi Jinping, and their admirers to turn the 21st century into a dark time of surging authoritarianism.

How can the U.S. exploit the soft, kleptocratic underbelly of dictatorships? How can the nation reclaim its role as a global leader?

Register Here.

Training the Next Generation of Diverse Leaders

Date: July 25 – July 28

Time: TBA

Organization: Public Policy and International Affairs Program, George Washington

University

Location: Washington, DC

Apply to the take advantage of this fully funded conference hosted by the Elliott School of International Affairs and the Trachtenberg School of Public Policy and Public Administration. Be prepared for a weekend of engagement, inspiration, and networking opportunities in the heart of the nation's capital. You will learn from and network with leading scholars and policy experts in the field of domestic and international service. You will also have the opportunity to explore Washington, DC through site visits and cultural activities.

This free, three day conference will highlight the practical skills necessary for success in a public service career at home and abroad, while also emphasizing ethical decision making.



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Deadline: Thursday, June 20, 2019 at 11:59PM EST

Apply <u>Here</u>.

Prospects for US-Russia Relations: A perspective from Moscow

Date: July 15

Time: 2:30pm-4:00pm

Organization: Center for Strategic and International Studies

Location: CSIS Headquarters 2nd floor

The conclusion of the Mueller investigation renewed President Trump's desire to meet with Vladimir Putin and to intensify U.S.-Russian dialogue in general. Both countries face numerous problems, from Venezuela to strategic stability, that require management. Is more effective management of these problems and bilateral relations as such possible? How will Russia approach relations with the U.S. leading up to the 2020 elections and beyond? Does Russia have a strategy vis-à-vis the U.S., and if so, what are its major elements? Lastly, how will the election interference issue impact U.S.-Russia relations after the publication of the Mueller report, and how is Moscow going to address it?

RSVP Here.

Events (International)

Women in Security Conference

Date: June 12

Time: 1:30pm-6:15pm

Organization: Security Women

Location: Guildhall, City of London Corporation, EC2V 7HH

Threats to human security range from localised crime to organised conflict to widespread terrorism. Experience tells us that this vital area of human existence cannot be run along segregated lines. Women should be equal partners in the protection and security of citizens in all areas as well as being proactive participants in matters of conflict resolution and peace building. It is widely recognised that women's presence can bring about a



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better security for society as a whole.

The Conference will highlight current situations, from the lack of gender balance in UN peacekeeping, and the shortage of women in cybersecurity, to the success of female police leadership and integration of female officers. The conference aims to bring together defense and security leaders, policy advocates and practitioners, academia, media, private and non-profit sector experts to share practical insights and best practice on building more inclusive security services around the world.

RSVP <u>here</u>.

Africa Summit

Date: June 17

Time: 1:45pm-6:30pm

Organization: Friends of Europe **Location**: Friends of Europe

Held on the eve of the European Development Days, this high-level conference will look at the challenges and opportunities Africa and Europe must grapple with to ensure resilient, inclusive and sustainable growth.

Africa and Europe are in the midst of a massive transformation of their economic, political and social structures. While many welcome these changes, others fear being left behind, prompting societal anxieties and possible social unrest. This is creating a politics which could undermine the very policies that will address the challenges at hand. Europe and Africa can learn much from each other on tackling these and other challenges. This requires, however, that both agree to engage in a partnership of shared objectives and interests.

This event is part of our Development Policy Forum (DPF), which brings together a number of important development actors, including the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ), the Agence Française de Développement (AFD), the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), the European Investment Bank (EIB), the United Nations and the World Bank. Reflecting the growing role of the private sector in development, the DPF has now welcomed Coca-Cola and Eni to the forum. The DPF contributes to the global and European conversation on inclusive development. Through its activities and publications, the DPF reflects the rapidly-changing global



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debate on growth and development and seeks to encourage a multi-stakeholdered, fresh, up-to-date thinking on the multiple challenges facing the development community.

Request invitation here.

Mission Critical: Inclusive Leadership for the Security Sector

Date: June 18-20

Time: TBA

Organization: WIIS.de, German Marshall Fund of the United States, European

Location: Berlin, Germany

The fifth edition of Mission Critical: Inclusive Leadership for the Security Sector will accelerate the transfer of knowledge among security professionals in Berlin, Germany, from June 18 to 20, 2019. Rapid demographic change and emerging security challenges make it essential for security organizations on both sides of the Atlantic to strengthen diversity and inclusion expertise in order to succeed in our missions. Mission Critical provides a leadership development and exchange opportunity for key personnel and stakeholders to gain new strategies for diversity and inclusion in security contexts. Formats include VIP keynotes, interactive dialogues, and break-out working groups. Please see the thematic agenda here, with speaker highlights forthcoming.

As a key focus area of GMF's commitment to advancing inclusive leadership, Mission Critical will convene 100 active participants from Europe, the United States, Canada, Australia, and New Zealand, representing Ministries of Defense, Interior and Foreign Affairs, Armed Forces, Law Enforcement and Intelligence Agencies, the Private and Non-Profit sectors.

Participants are asked to make travel and hotel arrangements independently. We recommend reserving your room at the Arcotel John F. where we have secured a room block, valid until April 8.

For more information, please reach out to Lora Jane Berg at <u>LJBerg@gmfus.org</u>.

Register on the event page.



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Molto Agitato: Italy and Mediterranian Security

Date: June 25

Time: 5:30pm-7:00pm

Organization: Friends of Europe **Location**: Friends of Europe

The new report by Friends of Europe to be released on June 25 highlights growing security challenges in the Mediterranean region and Italy's central role in influencing Europe's response. The study by Friends of Europe senior fellow Paul Taylor, a columnist for POLITICO and veteran former foreign correspondent for Reuters, examines the broad array of present and future threats, driven by long terms trends of climate change, demography and state fragility, and fueled by great power rivalry, resource conflicts, radicalization and Jihadist terrorism, and smuggling of people, arms and drugs. It will offer recommendations for how to optimise Italy's defence policy to best assure its own long-term security interests and those of Europe.

RSVP Here.

Adelphi Book Launch - Europe's Strategic Future: From Crisis to Coherence?

Date: June 25

Time: 9:30am-10:30pm

Organization: International Institute for Strategic Studies **Location**: 6 Temple Place, London WC2R 2PG, UK

Although it is the world's largest economic bloc and a trade superpower, the European Union has struggled to assert itself as a diplomatic and security actor. The rise of Asian powers and the possibility of weakened transatlantic ties threatens to push it towards the margins of geopolitics. Moreover, the EU has suffered a decade of crises, starting with the eurozone's debt troubles, then recession and austerity, the migration crisis and the United Kingdom's vote to leave the Union. It is arguable that Europe is running out of time to achieve strategic coherence, and some will contend that the prospects are gloomier than ever.

Sarah Raine surveys the consequences of a decade of crises for the EU's strategic posture. She identifies areas of underappreciated success in the EU's external policy and argues that changes now in motion will facilitate greater effectiveness. Europe cannot become a superpower in the mold of the United States, and much will depend on Germany's political



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direction and the future relationship between the EU and the UK, but there is a realistic chance that Europe will buck years of underperformance to become a strategic actor of substance.

Sarah Raine is the IISS Consulting Fellow for Geopolitics and Strategy, based in Berlin. She previously worked as a Research Fellow at IISS-Asia and is the author of the *Adelphi* book *China's African Challenges* (2009) and co-author of *Regional Disorder: The South China Sea Disputes* (2013).

RSVP Here.

Emerging Technologies, Evolving Nuclear Postures, and Deteriorating Norms: Is the Global Nuclear Order Eroding?

Date: January 8-15, 2020

Time: TBA

Organization: International School on Disarmament and Research on Conflicts

Location: Andalo (Trento)-Italy

The global nuclear order is undergoing major transformations. Policy makers around the world are facing complex decisions and – more importantly - costly trade-offs if strategic stability is to exist and be sustainable among nuclear-armed states. A combination of dramatic and wide-ranging technological change, vigorous nuclear modernization, and the substantial waning of arms control is producing a more challenging and worrisome nuclear order. What nuclear order will arise as emerging technologies are folded into comprehensive modernization programs in an environment largely or wholly unregulated by arms control? What constitutes stable nuclear deterrence under such circumstances? What emerging technologies are most destabilizing for nuclear strategic stability? Which ones might lead to escalation across the nuclear threshold? The 59th ISODARCO course will explore the technological, military, and arms control developments that are changing and challenging the global nuclear order.

Additional information here.