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Events (National)

Conversation with Nobel Peace Prize Laureate Nadia Murad

Date: June 27

Time: 1:00pm-3:00pm

Organization: Center for Strategic & International Studies

Location: CSIS Headquarters, 2nd Floor

The Human Rights Initiative at CSIS invites you to a public event on the mass detention and surveillance of Muslims in Xinjiang, China and the risks such technologies may pose as they are implemented in other areas of China and globally.

Over one million Uyghurs and Muslims from other ethnic minority groups have been detained by the Chinese government and sent to “re-education” internment camps. Sources indicate that detainees are psychologically and physically abused. Uyghurs outside the camps in Xinjiang are also not free, as they are kept under constant surveillance, often using advanced technology. The Chinese government is increasingly testing this technology in Xinjiang and exporting it nationally and globally, with concerning implications for democracy and human rights.

This event will focus on how this surveillance technology is being used and disseminated across the globe, which poses a risk of great harm to human rights and democracy, particularly if deployed without adequate safeguards.

Register [here](#).

NATO at 70: Refocusing for Change?

Date: June 27

Time: 2:30pm-6:10pm

Organization: Atlantic Council and NATO Defense College Fund

Location: 1030 15th Street NW, 12th Floor, D.C.

The 70th anniversary of the Washington Treaty, the founding document of NATO, represents more than just a historical moment to commemorate NATO's past, but also an opportunity to address the challenges facing the Alliance today and its mission going forward.

At this critical juncture, the Alliance faces an era of renewed great power competition, with the European security environment increasingly contested by both traditional and nontraditional actors. Challenges such as Russia's aggression towards neighboring states and China's increasing investment in Europe are forcing the United States and its NATO Allies to reimagine the Alliance's approach to collective defense. While NATO is making progress on issues such as defense spending and military readiness, the Alliance must work with greater urgency to respond to 21st century challenges.

To inform and contribute to the discussion surrounding these issues, this high-level seminar will convene experts from both sides of the Atlantic. The seminar will feature two panel discussions. The first will focus on today's evolving security environment in Europe and new ways to think about collective security, burden sharing, and partnerships. The second will focus on the need for a new strategic approach within NATO for today's rapidly changing world. The seminar will also feature concluding remarks by former US Secretary of State Madeleine Albright.

Register [here](#).



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Conversation with Nobel Peace Prize Laureate Nadia Murad

Date: June 28

Time: 11:00am-12:00pm

Organization: U.S. Institute of Peace

Location: U.S. Institute of Peace, 2301 Constitution Ave. NW, D.C.

Five years after ISIS' genocidal campaign in Iraq, Yazidis and other religious minorities are struggling to recover from the trauma of occupation and the heinous crimes committed by the terrorist group. Sinjar, a district in the Nineveh province of Iraq, remains in ruins while many of its residents are still displaced and trying to cope with the aftermath of mass killing, rape, abduction, and enslavement. On June 28, USIP, in partnership with the Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office, will host Nobel Peace Prize laureate Nadia Murad, a leading advocate for survivors of genocide and sexual violence, to discuss her work to help Iraq recover, the plight of the Yazidi people, and stabilization and resilience in the country.

RSVP [here](#).

The future of U.S. defense strategy: A conversation with General Paul J. Selva

Date: June 28

Time: 2:00pm-3:00pm

Organization: Brookings Institution

Location: Brookings Institution, Falk Auditorium, 1775 Massachusetts Ave. NW, D.C.

As 10th vice chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, General Paul Selva is the nation's second highest ranking military officer. During his distinguished tenure, Selva has played a central role in redirecting the U.S. government's attention to the accelerating pace of China's technological modernization, warning that without a comprehensive response, China could outpace the U.S. military's edge in key warfighting areas. He has also warned that Russia's efforts to offset NATO's advantages in Eastern Europe could threaten the alliance's ability to deter future aggression by Moscow.

On June 28, join Michael O'Hanlon for a discussion with General Selva on the national security landscape facing America, the future of military technology, and the intensifying competition between the United States and its great power competitors.

Register [here](#).

The North Korea Sanctions Regime a Year After Singapore

Date: July 8

Time: 10:00am-11:30am

Organization: U.S. Institute of Peace

Location: U.S. Institute of Peace, 2301 Constitution Ave. NW, D.C.

A year into deadlocked U.S.-North Korea denuclearization negotiations, sanctions relief has emerged as a key sticking point. Pyongyang is demanding relief from economic and financial sanctions in exchange for steps toward denuclearization, raising questions for U.S. policymakers about whether and how to roll back the complex regime of U.S. and multilateral sanctions. Please join USIP for a discussion that will examine the scope and purposes of the North Korea sanctions regime, consider the constraints and opportunities for providing partial and complete sanctions relief, and provide a comparative look at other such regimes.

RSVP [here](#).

Hypersonic Missiles: Assessing the Benefits and Risks

Date: July 9

Time: 10:30am-12:00pm

Organization: Carnegie Endowment for International Peace

Location: Carnegie Endowment for International Peace

The administration of President Donald Trump, worried that the United States is falling behind China and Russia in the development of hypersonic missiles, is making major new investments in this technology. Yet, as R. Jeffrey Smith notes in the [New York Times](#), developments in technology are outpacing consideration of their implications. So, what are the potential benefits for the United States of hypersonic missiles? Specifically, will they help offset equivalent Chinese and Russian capabilities? And what are the risks of their acquisition and potential employment, including of escalation to a nuclear war? Join us for a discussion of these questions featuring Smith, Amy Woolf, and James Acton.

Register [here](#).

The Impossible Dream of a World without the Bomb

Date: July 10

Time: 6:30pm-8:00pm

Organization: World Affairs

Location: World Affairs Auditorium, 312 Sutter St, Suite 200, San Francisco, CA

In his new book, "An Impossible Dream; Reagan, Gorbachev, and a World Without the Bomb," journalist Guillaume Serina explores the top-secret archives of the Kremlin and the personal papers of Mikhail Gorbachev, as well as the archives of Ronald Reagan to better understand the Reykjavik summit and the world that could have been. This pivotal point in history has deep implications on the present where the threats of the nuclear age have not disappeared but in some ways have grown more complex. From aging weapons to rising political tensions to new technologies vulnerable to cyber-attacks, questions surrounding nuclear security arise daily. What made it impossible for Reagan and Gorbachev to reach an agreement and would the world have looked different if they had? What can today's leaders learn from the Reykjavik summit?

Register [here](#). Members free, Non-Member \$20, Student \$7.

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?

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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 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.

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

Apply [Here](#).

Events (International)

Child Soldiers: Rethinking Integration

Date: July 3

Time: 6:00pm-7:00pm

Organization: Chatham House: The Royal Institute of International Affairs

Location: Chatham House, 10 St James Square, London, SW1Y 4LE

Around the world, children are recruited into armed groups and forced into direct combat and support roles. Despite this being a violation of international law, reports from children, NGOs and the UN suggest that recruitment is increasing. Children that manage to escape or demobilize from these armed groups will often face marginalization from their families and communities. Programmes aimed at reintroducing these children to their families and communities have regularly fallen short in providing long-term and sustainable solutions. To address this, a recent War Child report calls for reintegration programmes that are individualistic, community-based and put children at the forefront of the discussion.

This panel will discuss the intricacies of a child's association with an armed group and the benefits of, and obstacles to, reintegration. Why and how are children drawn into armed groups and how can they be helped to leave? What are some of the common experiences of children in reintegration programmes? And how can ongoing security concerns and assessments of a child's agency in joining an armed group be balanced with an approach that treats child soldiers as victims rather than perpetrators?

RSVP [here](#). Members only event.

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Personalist rule, instability, conflict and state failure

Date: July 12

Time: 11:30am-12:30pm

Organization: International Institute for Strategic Studies (IISS)

Location: Arundel House, 6 Temple Place, London, WC2R 2PG

Since the end of the Cold War, we have seen the rise of ‘personalist’ rule – where power is highly concentrated in the hands of a single individual. Personalist regimes now account for 40% of all authoritarian regimes.

From Chávez’s Venezuela to Kiir’s South Sudan, personalist rule has been an increasingly recognisable mode of authoritarian rule. However, these regimes pose significant challenges to democracy and international peace and security. Recent studies have shown that personalist leaders are likely to pursue a more aggressive foreign policy, often with sub-par intelligence and poor strategic decisions. These leaders are synonymous with their regimes – when they die or fall from power, the state does too, as seen in Iraq and Yemen. This leaves lasting problems in their wake, with significant implications for peace building and state building processes.

Professor Natasha Lindstaedt will explore the issues of transitioning from personalist rule to democracy, from the leader’s often bloody and protracted exit to long-term democratising processes. What effect does this have on state stability and global security? Why does personalist rule make states more likely to fail? Why are these rulers more likely to perform poorly on development indicators? Join Professor Lindstaedt as she begins to unpick these questions in this roundtable discussion.

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](#).