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## *Combating Corruption in Environmental Crimes*

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Webinar

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### SPEAKERS

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**Lt. Col. Faye Cuevas** is a senior executive, attorney, and decorated US Air Force Reserves veteran. Lt. Col. Cuevas is an expert in counter-terrorism, environmental security, disruptive innovation, and gender-mainstreaming. Faye earned her JD *magna cum laude* from Florida State University while simultaneously serving as a military officer in various counter-insurgency environments. Currently assigned to the Joint Staff at the Pentagon as an Africa Regional Strategy Officer, Faye has also practiced law as a civilian attorney, corporate counsel and US state and federal prosecutor. A mother of three, Faye has lived and worked abroad in Europe and Africa. She received the *VICE News* “Human of the Year” award in 2017, and, in 2019 was recognized by *Forbes* and *Africa Business Daily* for her groundbreaking innovation leading projects with government wildlife services throughout Africa.



**Jessica Graham** serves as the President of JG Global Advisory, LLC. She has previous experience at the U.S. State Department, Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs and INTERPOL Illicit Markets Sub-Directorate, Environmental Security Programme. She is an expert on international policy and non-traditional security threats, including transnational organized crime and wildlife trafficking. Previously she served as a chief negotiator for the U.S. government, and, as part of the former Presidential Task Force for Combating Wildlife Trafficking, Jessica coordinated and implemented USG efforts to strengthen law enforcement responses and develop capacity building and training across Africa, Asia, and Latin America.

Jessica received her Master’s degree from the University of California, San Diego and her Bachelor’s degree from the University of Florida.



**Lisa Handy** is the Director of Forest Campaigns at the Environmental Investigation Agency (EIA), where she focuses primarily on illegal logging issues as well as illegal deforestation and land conversion for the production of other forest-risk commodities, and related illicit trade. During her time at EIA, she has also worked to combat wildlife trafficking and climate change. Prior to joining EIA, Ms. Handy served as Senior Director for Government Affairs at Conservation International (CI), where she led CI’s work with the U.S. Administration and Congress, focusing on policy and funding priorities for biodiversity conservation and climate change. In addition, her responsibilities included engagement with the World Bank, UN agencies, and the

Global Environment Facility.



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**Dr. Louise Shelley** is the Omer L. and Nancy Hirst Endowed Chair and a University Professor at George Mason University in the Schar School of Policy and Government. She directs the Terrorism, Transnational Crime and Corruption Center (TraCCC) that she founded. Previously, Dr. Shelley ran programs in Russia, Ukraine and Georgia. She served on the Global Agenda Council on Illicit Trade and Organized Crime of the World Economic Forum, was the first co-chair of its Council on Organized Crime, and is a life member of the Council on Foreign Relations. Dr. Shelley received her undergraduate degree cum laude from Cornell University, her M.A. in Criminology from the University of Pennsylvania, and her Ph.D. in Sociology from the University of Pennsylvania. She also studied at the Law Faculty of Moscow State University on IREX and Fulbright Fellowships.



**Sally Yozell** is Senior Fellow and Director of the Environmental Security program at Stimson Center. Yozell also serves in an advisory role to the host governments for the annual global Our Ocean Conference. Previously, Yozell was a Senior Advisor to Secretary of State John Kerry. She has served as Director of Policy and as Deputy Assistant Secretary for Oceans at the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; as a Regional Director for Marine Conservation at The Nature Conservancy; as a Vice President in the applied marine science group at Battelle Memorial Institute; and worked in the U.S. Senate as an environment and energy advisor to Senator John Kerry. Yozell holds a Master's degree in Public Administration from Harvard University and a Bachelor's degree in Political Science from the University of Vermont.

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## WELCOMING REMARKS

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**Kurt Jaeger** is the Ambassador of the Principality of Liechtenstein to the United States of America. From 2010-2016 he was Ambassador of Liechtenstein to the European Union (EU) and Belgium. He has over 25 years of professional experience in international regulatory affairs, of which 15 years were acquired in the airline industry and civil aviation administration. Prior to his ambassadorial postings, Ambassador Jaeger was elected as one of three members of the Board of the European Free Trade Association (EFTA) Surveillance Authority in charge of monitoring and enforcing the application of EU law in the European Economic Area (EEA) by the three EFTA-States Iceland, Liechtenstein, and Norway.



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## MODERATOR

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**Dr. Chantal de Jonge Oudraat** is President of WIIS since February 2013. She was the founding Executive Director and CEO of the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute's North America office. She has also held senior positions at the U.S. Institute of Peace; the Center for Transatlantic Relations, Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies; the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace; and the UN Institute for Disarmament Research in Geneva. She has been an adjunct faculty member at Georgetown University. She received her PhD in Political Science from the University of Paris II (Pantheon).

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