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Transitions and Taking a Leap: Switching Sectors and Leveraging Your Contacts

Date: August 10th

Time: 1:00 pm – 2:15 pm

Organization: Women In International Security and Women's Foreign Policy Group

This summer, Women's Foreign Policy Group (WFPG) and Women In International Security (WIIS) will co-host monthly virtual career development events. Throughout these events, participants will build upon important career development skills and connect with professionals in international affairs.

Our fourth webinar event entitled **Transitions and Taking a Leap: Switching Sectors and Leveraging Your Contacts** will be held on **August 10th**. There will be a **panel from 1:00 - 1:45 PM EDT** followed by **breakout sessions from 1:45 - 2:15 PM EDT**. Thinking about switching sectors or finding a new career path? What should you consider before you jump? How do you leverage your connections and network to find your next position? Join us for a conversation on mid-career transitions and advancing your career in international affairs.

This event is co-sponsored with Women's Foreign Policy Group (WFPG) and the Robertson Foundation for Government. Registration is free for WIIS and WFPG members. If you have any questions, please contact info@wiisglobal.org.

To learn more and to register for this event, click [here](#).

Mia Bloom

Date: Oct 22nd

Time: 9 am -10:30 am

Organization: Women In International Security

The Center for a New American Security (CNAS) will launch

Location: University Club, Conference Room B, 123 University Pl, Pittsburgh, PA 15260

The WIIS University of Pittsburgh chapter will cohost terrorism expert Dr. Mia Bloom. Dr. Bloom will discuss her research on women, children, and terrorism, as well as her work as a female academic, opportunities for mentorship, and advice for women beginning careers in international security.

Dr. Bloom is a Professor of Communications and Middle East Studies at Georgia State University. She conducts ethnographic field research in Europe, the Middle East, and



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South Asia, and speaks eight languages. Bloom has published numerous books on terrorism, including *Bombshell: Women and Terror* (2011), and most recently *Small Arms: Children and Terror* (2019). She is regularly featured as an expert contributor on CNN, MSNBC, and Fox News for terrorism and national security issues. Dr. Bloom is a member of the UN terrorism research network (UNCTED) and the radicalization expert advisory board for the Anti-Defamation League (ADL).

More information [here](#).

Events (Online)

APsia Online Graduate School Fair

Date: July 23rd

Time: 10:00 am – 12:30 pm EDT

Organization: Association of Professional Schools of International Affairs

Find The Right Program In International Affairs And Public Policy

Thinking about Grad School? Searching for an international career in the private, public, or non-governmental sector?

Whether you've just started your search or have a shortlist in mind, representatives of APsia's top international affairs and public policy graduate schools can help you navigate the admissions process.

Register today and answer your questions about:

- application requirements,
- curricula and joint degrees,
- financial aid, and
- career opportunities.

Go beyond what you read on a website - leave with new information and personal connections to admissions staff.

Learn more and register [here](#).

Afghanistan's Peaceful Future: Support from Central Asia

Date: July 24th

Time: 10:00 am – 11:30 am



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Organization: United States Institute of Peace

Ambassadors Discuss Prospects for Peace, Regional Connectivity, and Economic Cooperation

Uzbekistan, Kazakhstan, and the other Central Asian republics have deep historical and cultural ties and increasingly important economic relations with Afghanistan. Meanwhile, Afghanistan President Ashraf Ghani has put forward a vision of Afghanistan as a roundabout for Asia, linking the markets and peoples of Central and South Asia in mutual prosperity. With ongoing efforts to establish enduring peace in Afghanistan, there will need to be extensive regional support and consensus from Afghanistan's northern neighbors. And given the increased challenges brought on by the COVID-19 pandemic, regional cooperation is more critical than ever to ensure peace and stability throughout the region.

You will be able to participate in the live Q&A using the YouTube chat box function on the [YouTube page](#). You can also take part in the conversation on Twitter using [#AfghanPeace](#).

Several Central Asian countries have already become involved in the peace process. Uzbekistan played a constructive role in the recent efforts for peace by hosting the Tashkent Conference of major international parties, which reaffirmed strong support for intra-Afghan talks with the Taliban without preconditions. And in recent years, Kazakhstan has provided both trade and aid to support key economic and social initiatives in Afghanistan for higher education, essential goods, and infrastructure. Join USIP as we host Ambassadors Roya Rahmani of Afghanistan, Javlon Vakhobov of Uzbekistan, and Erzhan Kazykhanov of Kazakhstan for a virtual discussion. U.S. Special Representative for Afghanistan Reconciliation, Zalmay Khalilzad, will provide remarks on the important role of Afghanistan's northern neighbors in stabilizing Afghanistan. The discussion will highlight how greater regional connectivity – especially increased trade and transit – can contribute to security and the sustainability of the peace process. Take part in the conversation on Twitter using [#AfghanPeace](#).

Speakers:

Her Excellency Roya Rahmani

Ambassador of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan to the United States

His Excellency Javlon Vakhobov

Ambassador of the Republic of Uzbekistan to the United States

His Excellency Erzhan Kazykhanov

Ambassador of the Republic of Kazakhstan to the United States



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His Excellency Zalmay Khalilzad

U.S. Special Representative for Afghanistan Reconciliation

Andrew Wilder, *welcoming remarks*

Vice President, Asia Center, U.S. Institute of Peace

Scott Worden, *moderator*

Director, Afghanistan and Central Asia Programs, U.S. Institute of Peace

Learn more and register [here](#).

Careers in the United Nations

Date: July 24th

Time: 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Organization: United Nations Association of the United States of America

Have you ever thought about working for the United Nations or one of its agencies? In partnership with The Fund For American Studies, UNA-NCA is proud to present a panel discussion on Careers in the United Nations. The panel will feature speakers from two different UN Agencies and the UN Association of the USA sharing their experience and insider's perspective of not only working for the United Nations, but also working towards the UN goals from the grassroots.

Panel Featuring:

Laura Blyler (Moderator), Vice Chair of Young Professionals, UNA-NCA

Farah Eck, Senior Director, UN Association of the USA

Sarah Jackson-Han, Adviser for Communications, Partnerships, & Policy, UN Development Programme

Kristi Pelzel, UNA-NCA Graduate Fellows Program Alumna

Stefania Piffanelli, Deputy Director, UN Information Center-Washington

When: Friday, July 24th from 4:00 to 5:00pm

Where: Zoom Webinar

Cost: \$5 for members and students; \$15 for non-members

Register [here](#).

Women in Dev Presents: A Series of Progressive Dialogues

Date: July 24th - 10:00 am EST, July 31st - 9:00 am EST, August 7th - 9:00 am EST

Organization: Women in Dev

Women in Dev is launching ‘A Series of Progressive Dialogues’. In collaboration with Women in Global Health and Wellbeing for Women Africa, we will convene some of the world’s leading voices to unite, highlight and mobilise action around some of the world’s most pressing issues. The concept for this series of online dialogues came out of the calls to action from the WID conference, and our commitment to continue creating these ‘spaces’ within the sector for honest and genuinely progressive dialogues around key issues.

Our aim is simple: uniting women to drive change in international development. This digital web-series represents a safe space to have the much-needed, honest discussions that will take our sector, our governments, our philanthropists, and the movements and communities we work with, to a more altruistic and progressive future. We’ll encourage you to utilise the Women in Dev 2020 ‘Calls to Action’ as a critical base for candid conversation.

The first in the series will focus on Donors and movements. We want to know: how do we radically overhaul funding flows in international development?

Learn more and register [here](#).

Online Event: Challenged and Change at Home and Abroad – Economy Disrupted, Episode 5

Date: July 27th

Time: 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Organization: Center for Strategic & International Studies

Join us for an online event from the CSIS Economics Program:

A DISCUSSION WITH

Wally Adeyemo

Former Deputy National Security Advisor for International Economics
Senior Adviser (Non-Resident), Economics Program, CSIS

HOSTED BY

Matthew P. Goodman

Senior Vice President for Economics, CSIS

Stephanie Segal

Senior Fellow for Economics, CSIS

More information and registration [here](#).

A Cross-Service Discussion on US National Security Priorities and Challenges

Date: July 27th

Time: 9:00 am – 10:00 am EDT

Organization: The Brookings Institution

The Brookings Federal Executive Fellows program is a longstanding initiative that hosts career officers from each military service and the Coast Guard for a year of research on defense topics. On July 27, Foreign Policy at Brookings will host the outgoing class of Federal Executive Fellows for a conversation on U.S. national security and defense policy. The fellows will discuss the challenges they see on the horizon for their respective services, from the use of force, civil-military relations and force structure, to the strategic dilemmas confronting the United States in the Arctic and other increasingly contested regions. Likewise, the fellows will reflect on the importance of public service, and what they have learned from their year of research in residence at Brookings.

Senior Fellow Michael O’Hanlon will moderate the discussion. Questions from the audience will follow the conversation. Viewers can submit questions by emailing events@brookings.edu or via Twitter [@BrookingsFP](https://twitter.com/BrookingsFP).

Learn more and register [here](#).

Think Gala

Date: August 2nd

Time: 6pm MST

Organization: Thinking Huts

Thinking Huts, a non-profit based in Colorado seeking to 3D print a school in Madagascar, is holding an online gala with the intention of raising awareness about their organization. This event is free and open to the public.

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

Visions of Feminist Peace

Dates: September 14th- October 2nd 2020

Organization: London School of Economics

To mark the 40th anniversary of the launch of CEDAW, the 20th anniversary of the Security Council's Women, Peace and Security (WPS) Agenda, and 25 years since the Declaration and Platform for Action at the conclusion of the Fourth World Conference on Women in Beijing, the AHRC-funded Feminist International Law of Peace and Security (FILPS) project is organising a series of virtual events in collaboration with the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom to build on visions of a feminist peace. Women's activism inspired and shaped CEDAW, the WPS agenda, and the Beijing Platform for Action. Notwithstanding differences, women have shared two ambitions: to achieve gender equality and sustainable peace, in the knowledge that neither could be achieved without the other. Likewise, research unearthed by feminist historians shows how these two ambitions have long been at the core of women activists' aspirations, including those who gathered in 1915 in The Hague.

Women's tireless activism through political institutions and local communities, through protest, advocacy, litigation and scholarship, has been instrumental in securing the progressive development of policy and law, at national and international levels. Across the world, women's and feminist groups are using legal and policy tools creatively to advance equal rights. Yet transformative change remains slow. Women are still fighting for equality in all spheres of life. Peace remains an elusive goal. Women, and even more so minority women, continue to be excluded and marginalised from mainstream conflict prevention efforts to peacebuilding measures.

Through a programme of digital outputs, Visions of Feminist Peace brings together academics, advocates, practitioners, activists, artists, and students to showcase the plurality of peace visions, experiences, and discontents. The programme – featuring webinars, performances and interviews – aims to contribute to the development of interdisciplinary, inclusive, intergenerational feminist visions of peace. Using digital technologies to connect with people across the world, the programme will promote knowledge and experience exchange and hopes to build solidarity within a global community.

The Visions of Feminist Peace programme is among a range of virtual programmatic activities that the LSE Centre for Women, Peace and Security is developing to mark the 20th anniversary of UN Security Council Resolution 1325, and the global women, peace and security agenda.

More information and registration [here](#).



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Women in Global Development Leadership Forum

Date: October 26th – October 28th, 2020

Organization: Women Innovators and Leaders Network

JOIN US FOR THE WORLD'S LARGEST WOMEN IN GLOBAL DEVELOPMENT LEADERSHIP FORUM

VIRTUAL: OCTOBER 26-28, 2020

Attending the Women in Global Development Leadership Forum is a life-changing experience.

On October 26-28th, 2020, 400 women and men will converge for the third edition of this unique global event.

You can expect a full day of inspiring, interactive sessions with one singular focus: to increase the power and influence of women and diverse leaders in the global development sector.

Join us for a collaborative experience and participate in conversations that address some of the most significant challenges of our time.

Learn more and register [here](#).

Events (International)

Counter Terror Expo (CTX) 2020

Date: September 8th-10th, 2020 (New date)

Organization: Counter Terror Expo (CTX)

Location: ExCeL London, Royal Victoria Dock, 1 Western Gateway, London, E16 1XL, UK

The Counter Terror Expo (CTX) is the UK's leading networking event for security professionals from industry, infrastructure, government and policing. It's where they come to discover new ideas and technology to improve security and aid in the fight against terrorism. In partnership with its sister events the World Counter Terror Congress, Forensics Europe Expo and Ambition, CTX brings together the world of security, preparedness, resilience and response under one roof.

The key themes of CTX are:

- Protecting People

- Protecting Infrastructure
- Policing and Specialist Operations

Why You Can't Afford To Miss CTX 2020:

- Hear from top tier international speakers and earn CPD accreditation for your conference attendance
- Benefit from free-to-attend educational sessions and interactive demo zones
- Join the largest gathering of senior security professionals from Law Enforcement, Government to the Private Sector
- Gain insight into the latest technologies and product

Register [here](#).

Giving Women's 9th Annual Conference – Food: Women's role in the struggle to feed the world

Date: October 29th, 2020

Organization: Giving Women

Location: Hôtel Métropole Genève, 34 Quai du Général-Guisan, 1204 Genève, Switzerland

Over the last 10 years, Giving Women has organised a yearly conference, which examines a theme that affects vulnerable girls and women globally.

The Giving Women Annual conference has become an important platform for convening UN organisations, Civil Society, NGOs, business, academia, and private individuals to INFORM, REFLECT AND ACT on what we need to do together to bring dignity and agency to the lives of girls and women globally.

Our 9th Annual Conference will look at the issue of food security and the key role women play in providing food for their families, their communities and the world.

All people should be free from hunger and malnutrition, yet there are millions of women throughout the world who struggle to provide basic nutrition for the healthy development of themselves and their families.

Giving Women has invited a group of experts who will explain what malnutrition looks like on a global scale, what are the big organisations doing to address this and how can a reworked supply chain provide nourishing food for all.

The Right to Food: Article 25 of The Universal Declaration of Human Rights:
The right to food is a human right. It protects the right of all human beings to live in dignity, free from hunger, food insecurity and malnutrition.

Join us on **29 October 2020** to learn the truth about food, malnutrition globally and how together we can ensure that everyone's right to nutrition is met.

Meet our [speakers](#). Register [here](#).