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WIIS Events and Opportunities

Federal Service: Navigating applications and landing your first job

Date: July 16th

Time: 1 – 1:45 ET, break out sessions 1:45 – 2:15 ET

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

Location: Zoom Webinar

What does a career in federal international affairs look like and what does the application process entail? Learn about different pathways to government service, how to decipher usajob.gov, and what opportunities exist both in Washington and overseas in a variety of government agencies.

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. WIIS members can access the code for free registration on the member homepage. If you have any questions, please contact info@wiisglobal.org.

Registration is free for members and \$10 for non-members. More information and registration [here](#).

Mia Bloom

Date: Oct 22th

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 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)

Women Put the U in Universal – reach all women and girls

Date: Thursday, July 9th

Time: 8 – 9 ET

Organization: Women in Global Health

Women in Global Health globally launched a seven point call to action for Universal Health Coverage (UHC) day on gender equality and the rights of women and girls last year! Women in Global Health will discuss the key to building back better from COVID-19 and accelerating progress for universal health coverage and sustainable development.

Register [here](#).

Covid-19 Through the Migration Lens

Date: July 9th

Time: 10 – 11:30am EDT

Organization: Center for Strategic and International Studies

Migrant workers are central to food systems – agricultural production, and food processing, transportation, and retail – globally and in the United States. Lockdowns limit migrant workers’ ability to perform these essential functions, threatening food & nutrition security in places most reliant on their labor.

Equally importantly, migrant workers’ own health and livelihoods are threatened by Covid-19. An estimated 1.6 billion people – nearly half the global workforce, many of whom are migrant workers – will see their working hours reduced or eliminated altogether due to Covid-19 lockdowns. Working conditions can facilitate the spread of coronavirus, resulting in high rates of infection among migrant communities, and those infected often do not have access to sick leave or health care. Sectors traditionally dependent upon a migrant labor force as essential workers are facing critical supply gaps.

Our expert panel will explore how the pandemic has put a spotlight on the vital contribution of migrants to the global economy, and how this will impact food security during Covid-19.

More information and registration [here](#).

Allied Cooperation on China

Date: July 15th

Time: 8:30 – 10 am

Organization: Center for Strategic and International Studies

Please join the CSIS Economics Program for a discussion about the state of allied cooperation on China, which will focus on the recently announced [Inter-Parliamentary Alliance on China](#) and efforts to coordinate the use of economic policy tools. The event will feature keynote remarks from Baroness Helena Kennedy QC, member of the House of Lords of the United Kingdom and co-chair of the International Parliamentary Alliance on China, followed by a panel discussion with economic policy practitioners and experts from Canada, the European Union, and Japan.

This event will be a Zoom Webinar and has a limited number of available spots for live participants. The recording of this event will be posted on this event page a day after the event concludes.

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

The Fight for Democracy and Public Health

Date: July 17th

Time: 9 – 9:45am ET

Organization: Center for Strategic & International Studies

The Covid-19 pandemic has had a significant impact on the political climate in several African countries. From restrictive media laws to prohibitions on political activities, it is becoming increasingly difficult for the opposition to contribute to policy debates or even assist their supporters in a time of need. Evidently, these continuous attacks on political leaders and civil society activists are most acute in countries experiencing democratic backsliding.

The CSIS Africa Program invites you to join us on July 17th for an interview convening opposition figures from Tanzania, Zambia, and Zimbabwe. The three leaders will discuss how Covid-19 is remaking politics and challenging democratic norms in their country. Join us online at 9 am EDT / 3 pm CAT for this exciting event. Follow [@CSISAfrica](#) on Twitter for live updates during the event.

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

CNAS 2020 National Security Conference

Date: June 17th – July 22nd

Time: 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm

Organization: The Center for a New American Security

The Center for a New American Security (CNAS) will launch its America Competes Summer Series on June 17 as part of a broader campaign to renew American competitiveness at home and abroad across a range of vital national security arenas. The conference series will include interactive online sessions with innovative audience participation and engagement. This year's events will feature CNAS' expertise on sustaining U.S. military deterrence, securing U.S. technological advantages, advancing U.S. values while countering high-tech illiberalism, strengthening U.S. national security institutions, and bolstering U.S. economic power and leadership—all while showcasing next generation leaders and ideas. Each session will convene policymakers, practitioners, and analysts, as well as peers from the private sector, media, and academia. The conference's arc will feature cross-cutting initiatives and projects from the Center's seven research programs.

Interactive Sessions

JUNE 17

[Future Scenarios: America and the Post-Pandemic World](#)

JUNE 24

[The Pitch: A Competition of New Ideas](#)

JULY 15

[Closing the Deal: National Security and Investment Scrutiny](#)

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[Is Seeing Still Believing? Synthetic Media and Illiberal Uses of Technology](#)

JULY 22

[A Deadly Game: East China Sea Crisis 2030](#)

Featured Speakers

Richard Fontaine – Chief Executive Officer, CNAS

Ely Ratner – Executive Vice President and Director of Studies, CNAS

Andrea Kendall-Taylor – Director and Senior Fellow, CNAS Transatlantic Security Program

Elizabeth Rosenberg – Director and Senior Fellow, CNAS Energy, Economics, and Security Program

Susanna V. Blume – Director and Senior Fellow, CNAS Defense Program

Loren DeJonge Schulman – Deputy Director of Studies and Leon E. Panetta Senior Fellow, CNAS

Carrie Cordero – Robert M. Gates Senior Fellow, CNAS

Chris Dougherty – Senior Fellow, CNAS Defense Program

Kara Frederick – Fellow, CNAS Technology and National Security Program

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](#).

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](#).