



THE SUMMER SYMPOSIUM ON FOREIGN POLICY

JULY 30 (MONDAY)

George Washington University, Elliott School of International Affairs, 1957 E. St., NW

9:00 A.M. - 10:30 A.M. Shelton Williams, "Trump and American Diplomatic History"

10:45 A.M. - 12:00 P.M. Gerlinde Groitl, Assistant Professor, Regensburg University, "The State of Transatlantic Relations"

2:00 P.M. - 3:00 P.M. Adam Smith, Gibson and Dunn Law Firm, formerly US Treasury, "Sanctions in US Foreign Policy"

**Center for Strategic & International Studies (CSIS), 1616 Rhode Island Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20036**

4:00 P.M. Louis Lauder, Director of Congressional Affairs, Center for Security and International Studies, "Congress and Foreign Policy"

JULY 31 (TUESDAY)

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10:00 A.M. - 11:30 A.M. Trita Parsi, President, National Iranian American Council, "The US, Israel, and Iran"

1:30 P.M.-2:30 P.M. Lawrence Korb, Center for American Policy, "The Defense Budget"

2:45 P.M. B U S to the Wilson Center for International Scholars

3:30 P.M.- 4:30 P.M. Robert Daly, Director, The Kissinger Center, Woodrow Wilson Center, "Understanding China"

AUGUST 1 (WEDNESDAY):

9:00 A.M. M E E T at Foggy Bottom South Metro Entrance

10:00 A.M. Embassy of Pakistan (3517 International Ct NW, Washington, DC 20008, USA)

1:00 P.M. Embassy of Egypt (3521 International Ct NW, Washington, DC 20008, USA)

3:30 P.M. Embassy of Jordan (3504 International Dr NW, Washington, DC 20008, USA)

6:30 P.M. The Symposium Reception, The George Washington University, Linder Commons (ROOM 602), Julia Nesheiwat, Special Envoy, US Department of State

AUGUST 2 (THURSDAY)

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10:00 AM-11:00 P.M. Les Janka, Former NSC Official and Businessman in Saudi Arabia, and Osgood Board Member, “The US and the Middle East”

11:15 A.M.-12:15 P.M. Shane Harris, The Washington Post, “The Intelligence Community in the Spotlight”

2:00 P.M.- 3:00 P.M. Andrew Kuchins, Georgetown University, “The Russia Problem”

AUGUST 3 (FRIDAY)

George Washington University, Elliott School of International Affairs, 1957 E. St., NW

10:00 A.M.-11:30 AM Embassy of China

1:30 P.M. B U S to Bloomberg News Room

2:00 P.M.-3:30 P.M. Craig Gordon, Bloomberg Bureau Chief, “Covering Politics, Trade and Security in the Trump Era”

August 4 (SATURDAY)

11:00 A.M. B U S from The Avenue Suites to McLean Virginia, Texas BBQ in DC (12:00-3:00 P.M.)

August 6 (MONDAY)

9:15 A.M. M E E T at Department of State, **C STREET ENTRANCE**

10:00 A.M.-11:00 A.M. US Department of State, “The US at the Security Council”

11:00 A.M.-12:00 P.M. US Department of State, “US-European Relations”

2:00 P.M. International Monetary Fund, Patrick Cirillo, Aide to the President, “The IMF and the World Economy”

3:30 P.M. Inside the World Bank with Sarah Hillware, Osgood Board member

August 7 (TUESDAY)

8:15 A.M. M E E T at Foggy Bottom Metro Entrance

9:00 A.M.-10:00 A.M. Tour of the Pentagon

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11:30 A.M.-12:30 P.M. Cindy Dyer, VP for Human Rights, Vital Voices, “Violence Against Women”

2:00 P.M.-3:30 P.M. Col. Lawrence Wilkerson, former aide to Colin Powell, “The US in Decline”

August 8 (WEDNESDAY)

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10:00 A.M.-11:30 A.M. Michael O’Hanlon, Brookings Institution, “National Security Today”

1:30 P.M.- 2:30 P.M. Robert Sutter, GW University, “The US and China”

3:00 P.M.-4:00 P.M. Jennifer Hillman, Georgetown Law Center, “Trade and Trump”

August 9 (THURSDAY)

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11:00 A.M.-12:15 P.M. Rosa Park, Committee for Human Rights in North Korea, “North Korea Today”

SPEAKERS -BIOGRAPHIES-

SHELTON WILLIAMS



Shelton Williams is the president and founder of the Osgood Center for International Studies. Before the Osgood Center, he spent over 35 years as a professor at Austin College in Sherman, Texas, where he supervised its award-winning Model United Nations team and earned several major teaching awards for his classes in International Relations, American Foreign Policy, and Comparative Politics. In addition, Dr. Williams is an expert on nuclear nonproliferation policy, and has worked in the State Department under Secretary Madeline Albright and in Office of International Programs in the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. He holds a Ph.D. in international relations from Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Studies at Johns Hopkins University.

GERLINDE GROITL



Gerlinde Groitl serves as Assistant Professor of International and Transatlantic Relations at the University of Regensburg, Germany. From January through March of 2016 she was a visiting fellow at the London School of Economics' IDEAS program where she researched the interactions between Russia, China, and the West and the implication of their relationship on the world order. Previously she was a visiting scholar at the John Hopkins University's Center for Transatlantic Relations.

ADAM SMITH



Adam Smith is an international lawyer with substantial senior level government experience and a focus on international trade compliance and white-collar investigation, including on federal and state economic sanctions enforcement, the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, embargoes, and export controls. From 2010-2015, he served in the Obama Administration as the Senior Advisor to the Director of the U.S. Treasury Department's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) and as the Director of Multilateral Affairs on the National Security Council.

TRITA PARSI



Trita Parsi is a renowned expert on United States-Israeli-Iranian relations. Born in Iran, his family moved to Sweden to escape political repression. He now serves as the Founder and President of the National Iranian American Council. Parsi is the author of many articles and two books: *Treacherous Alliance: The Secret Dealings of Iran, Israel, and the United States* (Yale University Press 2007) and *A Single Roll of the Dice – Obama's Diplomacy with Iran* (Yale University Press 2012). Parsi is also the 2010 recipient of the Grawemeyer Award for Ideas Improving World Order and is a policy fellow at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars. Parsi earned his Ph.D. at John Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS).

LAWRENCE KORB



Lawrence Korb is a Senior Fellow at the Center for American Progress whose expertise include the Federal budget, military, defense policy, and the defense budget. Additionally, Dr Korb is an adjunct professor at Georgetown and a senior advisor to the Center for Defense Information. He served as Assistant Secretary of Defense during the Reagan administration where he oversaw manpower, reserve affairs, and Installations and Logistics while managing nearly 70 percent of the federal defense budget. Dr Korb received his PhD in Political Science at the State University of New York at Albany.

ROBERT DALY



Robert Daly is currently the Director of the Kissinger Institute on China and the United States at the Woodrow Wilson Center. Robert Daly began his career in U.S- China relations as a diplomat with the United States Information Agency from 1989 to 1991, after which he taught Chinese at Cornell University. After teaching at Cornell, Daly worked on several television projects in China and helped with producing several Children's Television Workshop programs until 1999. From 2001 to 2007 Daly was the American Director of the John Hopkins University-Nanjing University Center for Chinese and American Studies in China. Prior to working with the Woodrow Wilson Center, Daly was the Director of the Maryland China Initiative at the University of Maryland. Daly has lived in China for 11 years and has worked closely with Jiang Zemin who served as General Secretary of the Communist Party of China.

JULIA NESHEIWAT



Julia Nesheiwat is the Presidential Envoy for Hostage Affairs, strengthening diplomatic efforts to secure the safe return of Americans held hostage overseas. Working closely with the families of American hostages, foreign governments and the interagency Hostage Recovery Fusion Cell, she represents the United States on hostage-related issues. Previously, Dr. Nesheiwat was appointed as Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Implementation in the Bureau of Energy Resources. She also served as a Political-Military Advisor and Visiting Professor at the U.S. Naval Post Graduate School's National Security Affairs Department. Dr. Nesheiwat has held numerous positions as Chief of Staff and Senior Advisor to the Under Secretary for Economic Affairs and U.S. Special Envoy for Eurasian Energy Security.

Earlier in her career, she served as the Chief of Staff for Policy and Planning in the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, where she managed the integration and collaboration of analysis and reporting with all intelligence agencies. Prior to that role, she was selected to serve on the U.S. Presidential Commission on Intelligence Capabilities Regarding Weapons of Mass Destruction, leading the North Korea and Iran policy steering committee from 2004-2005.

A former U.S. Army Military Intelligence officer, Dr. Nesheiwat served consecutive tours in Afghanistan and Iraq. As a senior operations officer, she coordinated and managed interagency assessments on terrorist networks within the Middle East and Asia, and acted as the U.S. military liaison officer with regional political parties on governance and threat reduction.

LES JANKA



Les Janka is currently Vice Chairman at George C. Marshall International Center. Janka is the former President of Saudi Arabia at Quincy International LLC. Janka graduated with a Master's from John Hopkins SAIS and a Bachelor's Degree from the University of Redlands. He has spent most of his career working as an International Affairs Specialist for the United States Government where he was appointed Special Assistant to Henry Kissinger on the White House National Security Council. Janka worked in the Pentagon

as Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Near Eastern and African Affairs for a couple of years before serving in the White House as Deputy Press Secretary for Foreign Affairs under President Ronald Reagan.

SHANE HARRIS



Shane Harris is a Sr. Intelligence and National Security Correspondent for The Daily Beast, a news reporting and opinion website focused on politics, pop-culture, and world news. He is also a fellow with the International Security Program at New America and a member of its Future of War team. He has authored two books – *@War: The Rise of the Military-Internet Complex*, and *The Watchers: The Rise of America’s Surveillance State*. His writing has earned him several awards and recognitions, including the New York Public Library’s Helen Bernstein Book Award for Excellence in Journalism and the 2010 Gerald R. Ford prize for Distinguished Reporting on National Defense. Shane earned a Bachelor of Arts in Politics from Wake Forest University.

ANDREW KUCHINS



Andrew Carrigan Kuchins is currently a Non-resident Senior Associate for the Russia and Eurasia Program at the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS). He has expansive knowledge on Central Asia, Russia and Eurasia, and the South Caucasus. Kuchins is particularly known for his expertise in Russian foreign and domestic policies. Before CSIS, Kuchins served as a senior associate at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace from 2000 to 2006. Prior to Carnegie, he retained many research and senior management positions at the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation, Stanford University, and the University of California at Berkeley. Kuchins received his B.A. from Amherst College and an M.A. and Ph.D. from Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies.

CRAIG GORDON



Craig Gordon is the Washington Bureau Chief of *Bloomberg News*. In this role, he oversees coverage of President Donald Trump's White House, Cabinet agencies, Congress, national security, tax policy and financial regulation for the global business news service. Craig also oversees [BloombergPolitics.com](https://www.bloomberg.com/politics) and the production of *Bloomberg's* daily global politics newsletter, Balance of Power. He is a frequent guest on Bloomberg Television. Prior to joining *Bloomberg* in 2013, Craig worked for five years at *Politico* and rose to the level of Managing Editor. While at *Politico*, Craig oversaw the coverage of the 2012 presidential campaign, including *Politico's* exclusive reporting that forced Republican presidential contender Herman Cain from the race. Craig went to *Politico* from *Newsday*, where he completed his 17 years there as Washington Bureau Chief. After arriving in Washington in 2000, Craig covered the Pentagon for four years, starting on the day after the Sept. 11 terror attacks. He later traveled to Afghanistan to embed with the Marines and to Baghdad in the days after Saddam Hussein's government fell. He lives in Bethesda, Maryland., with his family.

SARAH HILLWARE



Sarah Hillware is a social entrepreneur and global communications strategist. She has spent her career designing, implementing and managing effective public affairs and behavior change campaigns with measurable public health, gender equality, educational and environmental outcomes.

She currently consults the World Bank on external communications and corporate engagement for an international, multi-sectoral program. In addition to the broader program activities, she also works with task teams to implement behavior change communication at the country level.

Sarah has an academic background in international affairs, global health and entrepreneurship and has held positions in international organizations, NGOs and private sector media and marketing companies.

Prior to working for two major United Nations agencies, she supported the execution of two major campaigns for the American Association of People with Disabilities (AAPD) and the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) Foundation.

In 2012, she founded [Girls Health Ed](#), a nonprofit health education program for low-income girls and young women ages 8-17 throughout the United States and Kenya. The organization has since hired employees to manage day-to-day operations, but Sarah continues to advise the organization on strategic initiatives.

Sarah's research on school- and community-based health communication interventions have led her to give talks at TEDxBerkeley as well as at the United Nations through TEDxUNPlaza. You may visit her blog on the [Huffington Post](#) or follow her on Twitter [@sarahhillware](#).

CINDY DYER



Cindy Dyer is the Vice President of the Human Rights team in Vital Voices, Global Partnerships where she oversees all programs and partnerships related to gender-based violence including domestic violence, sexual violence, human trafficking and harmful traditional practices. Prior to joining Vital Voices in 2009, Cindy Dyer served as the Director of the United States Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women. Cindy was nominated to this position by President George W. Bush and confirmed by the United States Senate. As Director, she served as the liaison between the Department of Justice and Federal, State and International governments on crimes involving violence against women.

Cindy has spoken at numerous conferences and professional training sessions before national and international audiences. She was a specialized domestic and sexual violence prosecutor for 13 years. She has received numerous awards and recognition for her service to victims of gender based violence.

LAWRENCE WILKERSON



Lawrence Wilkerson is currently a visiting Professor of Government and Public Policy at William and Mary and has taught at the Honors Program at George Washington University, the Naval War College, and was the Director of the US Marine Corps War College. During his time in government he served as Chief of Staff to Secretary of State Colin Powell and as an assistant to Colin Powell during his time as National Security Advisor during the Regan administration. Wilkerson served in the US Army for 31 years where he attended Airborne school, Ranger School, and retired with the rank of Colonel. He was the recipient of the 2009 Sam Adams Award for Integrity and Intelligence.

MICHAEL O'HANLON



Michael O'Hanlon is a senior fellow in Foreign Policy Studies at the Brookings Institution his specialties include US defense strategy and budget, military technology, and American national security policy. Dr O'Hanlon is the Co -Director of the Center on 21st Century Defense and Intelligence at Brookings with retired General John Allen. Dr O'Hanlon is also the director of research for the Foreign Policy program at Brookings. He is an adjunct professor at Columbia, Syracuse, the University of Denver, and is a Visiting Lecturer at his alma matter Princeton.

ROBERT SUTTER



His area of focus is the United States' policies towards Asia and the Pacific. Sutter has also taught at Georgetown, John Hopkins, and the University of Virginia. Sutter served as National Intelligence Officer for East Asia and the Pacific at the US Government's National Intelligence Council and the China Division Director at the Department of State's Bureau of Intelligence and Research. Sutter has published 20 books and over 200 articles on the relationship between the United States and East Asian and Pacific countries. Robert Sutter earned his Ph.D. in History and East Asian Languages from Harvard University.

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Jennifer A. Hillman is currently a professor of practice at the Georgetown Law Center, teaching the lead courses in international business and international trade, while serving as a fellow of Georgetown's Institute of International Economic Law (IIEL). She recently published *Legal Aspects of Brexit: Implications of the United Kingdom's Decision to Withdraw from the European Union* (IIEL 2017). She has also written extensively about international trade law and the WTO.

Hillman has had a distinguished career in public service, both nationally and internationally. She recently completed her term as one of seven members from around the world serving on the World Trade Organization's (WTO) Appellate Body. Prior to that, she served for nine years as a commissioner at the United States International Trade Commission (USITC). Before her appointment to the USITC, Hillman served as general counsel at the Office of the United States Trade Representative (USTR), where she had

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Hillman formerly served as a partner in the law firm of Cassidy Levy Kent, a senior transatlantic fellow for the German Marshall Fund of the United States, as president of the Trade Policy Forum and on the selection panel for the Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation. She is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and serves on the board of visitors at the Sanford School of Public Policy at Duke University. She is a graduate of the Harvard Law School and Duke University.

ROSA PARK



Rosa Park is the Director of Programs and Editor at the Committee for Human Rights in North Korea (HRNK) and has been working for the organization since 2011. Most recently, Ms. Park was the very first person to interview Ji Seong-ho after his State of the Union appearance in January 2018. KEI Korean Kontext featured her on their podcast on February 13, 2018, discussing her work with Ji Seong-ho. After her work on an advocacy project in Times Square, Ms. Park was quoted by NBC and her work was featured on Democracy Digest. She has conducted numerous interviews with experts and North Korean escapees published on HRNK Insider. She has completed editorial and graphic design work on more than 15 HRNK publications. While continuing to work on future publications, HRNK Insider, and managing the internship program at HRNK, she also directs conference planning and execution. She has worked on major conferences and information outreach in Washington DC, New York City, Chicago, Boston, and Los Angeles.

Ms. Park received an M.A. in International Politics from American University's School of International Service, an M.A. in Korean Studies from Korea University, and a B.A. in International Relations from American University's School of International Service with a minor in Graphic Design.