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Invited Experts

Keynote Speaker: Thomas Graham

Thomas Graham is a managing director at Kissinger Associates, Inc., where he focuses on Russian and Eurasian affairs. He was Special Assistant to the President and Senior Director for Russia on the National Security Council staff from 2004 to 2007 and Director for Russian Affairs on that staff from 2002 to 2004. From 2001 to 2002, he served as the Associate Director of the Policy Planning Staff of the Department of State.

From 1998 to 2001, Mr. Graham was a senior associate in the Russia/Eurasia program at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace. From 1984 to 1998, he was a Foreign Service Officer. His assignments included two tours of duty at the U.S. Embassy in Moscow, where he served as head of the political/ internal unit and acting political counselor. Between tours in Moscow, he worked on Russian and Soviet affairs on the Policy Planning Staff of the Department of State and as a policy assistant in the Office of the Undersecretary of Defense for Policy. Graham is one of the founders and co-Directors of the Russian Studies Project at Yale.

Sergey Brilev

Sergey Brilev is an award winning Russian TV anchor, best known for his exclusive interviews with Russian and global movers and shakers. Member of Russian TV Academy. He is the only Russian journalist to have interviewed Vladimir Putin and George Bush, Dmitry Medvedev and Barak Obama. Brilev is currently the deputy director of the television channel "Rossiya" (RTR), as well as the manager and presenter of "News on Saturday with Sergey Brilev".

Notably, Brilev has conducted the Pryamaya Liniya special TV broadcasts with the President of the Russian Federation. From 2001-2003, was TV anchor of the Vesti evening news program, then Deputy Director of the RTR channel’s Information Programs Directorate, and anchor of the Vesti Nedeli program.

During the 1990s, was a special correspondent of the Moscow News weekly and the Komsomolskaya Pravda daily; a Moscow-based correspondent of radio El Mundo and the La Razon daily (Argentina) and El Observador Economico and La Republica (Uruguay); was bureau chief of the Rossiya TV channel in London.
Linton Brooks

Linton F. Brooks is an independent consultant on national security issues, a senior adviser at CSIS, a distinguished research fellow at the National Defense University, and an adviser to four of the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) national laboratories. He served from July 2002 to January 2007 as administrator of DOE’s National Nuclear Security Administration, where he was responsible for the U.S. nuclear weapons program and for DOE’s international nuclear nonproliferation programs. Ambassador Brooks has five decades of experience in national security, much of it associated with nuclear weapons. His government career has included service as deputy administrator for nuclear nonproliferation at the National Nuclear Security Administration, assistant director of the U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency, chief U.S. negotiator for the Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty, director of defense programs and arms control on the National Security Council staff, and a number of U.S. Navy and Defense Department assignments as a 30-year career naval officer. Ambassador Brooks holds degrees in physics from Duke University and in government and politics from the University of Maryland and is a distinguished graduate of the U.S. Naval War College. He has been associated with the CSIS Project of Nuclear Issues (PONI) since its inception.

Elena Chernenko

Elena Chernenko is a columnist and head of the foreign desk at the Kommersant daily newspaper in Moscow, Russia, where she likes to focus on issues of cybersecurity. She has previously worked for Russian Newsweek, the German editorial office of Voice of Russia, the Moskauer Deutsche Zeitung newspaper and the EurActiv news agency. She holds a Ph.D. in history from Moscow State University.
Melissa Hanham

Melissa Hanham is a Senior Research Associate in the East Asia Nonproliferation Program (EANP). Her regional interests include the denuclearization of the Korean Peninsula, North Korean WMD procurement and proliferation networks, China’s nuclear posture, and East Asian security. She also studies Chinese, South Korean, and Japanese nuclear exports, as well as East and Southeast Asian export control systems.

Melissa supports CNS’ research by investigating new techniques in open source geospatial analysis, incorporating imagery and other remote sensing data, large data sets, social media, 3D modeling, and GIS mapping. She teaches “Open Source Analysis for Nonproliferation and Terrorism Studies” at the Middlebury Institute of International Studies, and is a regular contributor to Arms Control Wonk and Bellingcat.

Additionally, she assists the Export Control and Nonproliferation Project with research on proliferation financing and money laundering.

Seigfried Hecker

Siegfried S. Hecker is a professor (research) in the Department of Management Science and Engineering and a senior fellow at the Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies (FSI) at Stanford University. He was co-director of CISAC from 2007-2012.

From 1986 to 1997, Dr. Hecker served as the fifth Director of the Los Alamos National Laboratory. Dr. Hecker is an internationally recognized expert in plutonium science, global threat reduction, and nuclear security. Dr. Hecker joined Los Alamos National Laboratory as graduate research assistant and postdoctoral fellow before returning as technical staff member following a tenure at General Motors Research. He led the laboratory’s Materials Science and Technology Division and Center for Materials Science before serving as laboratory director from 1986 through 1997, and senior fellow until July 2005.

Dr. Hecker’s research interests include plutonium science, nuclear weapons policy, nuclear security, and the safe and secure expansion of nuclear energy. Over the past 20 years, he has fostered cooperation with the Russian nuclear laboratories to secure and safeguard the vast stockpile of ex-Soviet fissile materials.

Dr. Hecker’s research projects at CISAC focus on reducing the risks of nuclear terrorism worldwide and the challenges of nuclear India, North Korea, Pakistan, and the nuclear aspirations of Iran. Dr. Hecker has also published a two-volume book on the history of Russian-U.S. laboratory-to-laboratory cooperation since 1992.
Alexander Gabuev

Alexander Gabuev is a senior fellow and the chair of the Russia in the Asia-Pacific Program at the Carnegie Moscow Center. His research is focused on Russia’s policy toward East and Southeast Asia, political and ideological trends in China, and China’s relations with its neighbors—especially those in Central Asia.

Prior to joining Carnegie, Gabuev was a member of the editorial board of Kommersant publishing house and served as deputy editor in chief of Kommersant-Vlast, one of Russia’s most influential newsweeklies. Gabuev started his career at Kommersant in 2007 working as a senior diplomatic reporter, as a member of then president Dmitry Medvedev’s press corps, and as deputy foreign editor for Kommersant. His reporting covered Russia’s relations with Asian powers and the connection between Russian business interests and foreign policy.

Gabuev has previously worked as a nonresident visiting research fellow at the European Council on Foreign Relations (ECFR) and taught courses on Chinese energy policy and political culture at Moscow State University.

Anton Khlopkov

Mr. Anton Khlopkov is Editor-in-Chief of the Nuclear Club journal. He is also a member of the Advisory Board under the Security Council of the Russian Federation. From 2000 to 2009 he has worked for the PIR Center (Center for Policy Studies in Russia), including as Deputy Director (2003-2007) and Executive Director (2007-2009). In 2001-2002, he was a Member of the Working Group on Nonproliferation and Export Control of the Partnership for Peace Consortium. He is the Editor-in-Chief of the Nuclear Nonproliferation Encyclopedia (2009). Co-author of the monographs: ‘Iranian nuclear program in the US-Russian relations’ (2001),’At the Nuclear Threshold: The Lessons of North Korea and Iran for the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Regime’ (2007); ‘Global Partnership Against the Spread of Weapons of Mass Destruction Guidebook’ (2006); ‘Nuclear Nonproliferation in Russian-American Relations: History, Opportunities and Outlook’ (2000); author of the monograph 'Iran’s Nuclear Program in Russian-American Relations' (2001).
Michael Kofman

Mr. Michael Kofman is a Research Scientist at CNA Corporation and a Fellow at the Kennan Institute, Woodrow Wilson International Center in Washington, D.C. His research focuses on security issues in Russia and the former Soviet Union, specializing in defense and military analysis. Previously he served at National Defense University as a Program Manager and subject matter expert, advising senior military and government officials on issues in Russia/Eurasia and Pakistan. He has represented the Department of Defense in track one and track two efforts, through military engagement programs and strategic exchanges with Russian officials, the Chinese and Pakistani military, along with trilateral dialogues. At NDU he oversaw military-to-military engagements, training programs, and interoperability exercises for senior officers from the US and other countries.

His previous experience includes working as a researcher at the U.S. Institute of Peace, HSBC Bank, and on international science and technology cooperation programs at NASA. He has published articles on security issues in Eurasia, focusing on Russia and Ukraine, along with numerous analyses for the US government. He has also appeared in major television, online, and print media as a commentator and subject matter expert. Mr. Kofman holds a M.A. in International Security from the Edmund A. Walsh School of Foreign Service, Georgetown University and a B.A. in Political Science from Northeastern University.

Robert Legvold

Robert Legvold is Marshall D. Shulman Professor Emeritus in the Department of Political Science at Columbia University, where he specialized in the international relations of the post-Soviet states. He was Director of The Harriman Institute, Columbia University, from 1986 to 1992.

Dr. Legvold's areas of particular interest are the foreign policies of Russia, Ukraine, and the other new states of the former Soviet Union, U.S. relations with the post-Soviet states, and the impact of the post-Soviet region on the international politics of Asia and Europe.

Legvold is a former trustee of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, and a member of various advisory boards, including those of the Committee on International Security Studies of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, the Watson Institute for International Studies at Brown University, and the Foundation for International Peace and Democracy, led by Mikhail Gorbachev. He is a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and a foreign member of the Russian Academy of Social Sciences.
Jack Matlock

Mr. Jack Matlock, a retired diplomat, has held academic posts since 1991: Sol Linowitz Professor of International Relations, Hamilton College, 2006; visiting professor and lecturer in public and international affairs at Princeton University, 2001-2004; George F. Kennan Professor at the Institute for Advanced Study, 1996 - 2001; Senior Research Fellow and then Kathryn and Shelby Cullom Davis Professor in the Practice of International Diplomacy at Columbia University, 1991 to 1996. During his 35 years in the American Foreign Service (1956-1991) he served as Ambassador to the Soviet Union from 1987 to 1991, Special Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs and Senior Director for European and Soviet Affairs on the National Security Council Staff from 1983 until 1986, and Ambassador to Czechoslovakia from 1981 to 1983.

Pavel Minakir

Dr. Pavel Minakir is an expert on the Russian economy and the economies of Northeast Asia. Since 1991, Dr. Min akir has served as Director of the Institute of Economic Research of the Russian Academy of Sciences in Khabarovsk. He is a member of the “Regional Development” section of the Economic Council under the President of the Russian Federation. Since 2010, he has served as a Senior Researcher at the Russian Economic University in Moscow and, in 2013, he received the title of Senior Researcher at the Institute of Economics of the Russian Academy of Sciences in Moscow.

His previous positions include work at the Khabarovsk Academy of Economics and Moscow Central Economics and Mathematics Institute of Russian Academy of Sciences. He is also a member of the Advisory Council of the Federation Council of the Russian Federation, Chairman of the Economic Council of the Governor of the Khabarovsk Territory, and a member of the Russian Board of the New Economic Association.
Park Ro-Byug

Park Ro-Byug is the current Ambassador of the Republic of Korea to the Russian Federation. Ambassador Park holds a Postgraduate Diploma in International Relations from the London School of Economics, as well as a Ph.D. in History from the Diplomatic Academy of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation. His dissertation was on, “History of Korean Russian Relations, Trade and Economic Aspects (1884-1903).” Later, Ambassador Park was a Visiting Fellow at Georgetown University (2007-2008).

Ambassador Park is author of several books, including “Twenty Years of Economic Relations between Korea and Russia (1884-1903)” and “Paradigms of International Relations.” Both books are in Korean.

Ambassador Park has received several awards for his diplomatic service, most recently the Youngsan Diplomat of the Year Award from the Seoul Forum in March 2016. Ambassador Park has worked for the diplomatic corps in Switzerland, Russia, Uzbekistan, Myanmar and the United States.

William Potter

Dr. William Potter is Sam Nunn and Richard Lugar Professor of Nonproliferation Studies and Founding Director of the Center for Nonproliferation Studies at the Middlebury Institute of International Studies at Monterey.

He is the author or editor of over 20 books, including two volumes on Forecasting Nuclear Proliferation in the 21st Century (Stanford University Press, 2010), The Global Politics of Combating Nuclear Terrorism (Routledge, 2010), Nuclear Politics and the Non-Aligned Movement (Routledge, 2012), and Preventing Black Market Trade in Nuclear Technology (Cambridge University Press, forthcoming 2017). Dr. Potter has served on numerous committees of the US National Academy of Sciences and for five years was a member of the UN Secretary-General’s Advisory Board on Disarmament Matters. He has been an advisor to the delegation of Kyrgyzstan at every NPT Review Conference and Preparatory Committee meeting since 1995.

He is renowned for his work on disarmament and nonproliferation education, and is regarded as one of the world’s leading authorities on the use of simulations for pedagogical purposes.
Rafal Rohozinski

Rafal Rohozinski is co-founder and principal of the SecDev Group. He was recently named to the Forbes list of top ten cyber experts to follow. Prior to founding SecDev, Rohozinski spent 17 years working in an operational capacity in 37 countries including conflict zones in the former Soviet Union, the Middle East and Africa. Rafal is an active scholar. He has held academic appointments and fellowships from the Ford Foundation, Munk School of Global Affairs, and is currently a senior consulting Fellow with the UK based International Institute for Strategic Studies.


Matthew Rojansky

Matthew Rojansky is the Director of the Kennan Institute, as well as an adjunct professor at both Johns Hopkins SAIS and American University. Mr. Rojansky is an expert on U.S. relations with the states of the former Soviet Union, especially Russia, Ukraine, Belarus and Moldova. He has advised governments, intergovernmental organizations, and major private actors on conflict resolution and efforts to enhance shared security throughout the Euro-Atlantic and Eurasian region. Prior to entering his role with the Kennan Institute, from 2010 to 2013, Mr. Rojansky was Deputy Director of the Russia and Eurasia Program at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace. There, he founded Carnegie’s Ukraine Program, led a multi-year project to support U.S.-Russia health cooperation, and created a track-two task force to promote resolution of the Moldova-Transnistria conflict. From 2007 to 2010, Rojansky served as executive director of the Partnership for a Secure America (PSA), where he worked on issues relating to arms control and nonproliferation. Founded by former congressman Lee Hamilton (D-IN) and former senator Warren Rudman (R-NH) with a group of two dozen former senior leaders from both political parties, PSA seeks to rebuild bipartisan dialogue and productive debate on U.S. national security and foreign policy challenges. While at PSA, Rojansky orchestrated high-level bipartisan initiatives aimed at repairing the U.S.-Russian relationship, strengthening the U.S. commitment to nuclear arms control and nonproliferation, and leveraging global science engagement for diplomacy. Mr. Rojansky serves as U.S. Executive Secretary for the Dartmouth Conference, a track-two U.S.-Russian conflict resolution initiative begun in 1960. He has lectured at colleges and universities throughout the United States, Russia and Europe. He is frequently interviewed on TV and radio, and his writing has appeared in the International Herald Tribune, the Washington Post, and Foreign Policy.
Natalia Sevagina

Natalia Sergeyevna Sevagina is an Associate in the Research and Education division of the State Tretyakov Gallery in Moscow. She completed her undergraduate education at the Russian Academy of Painting, Sculpture and Architecture in Moscow, as well as the Novoaltay College of Art and the Republican Art School in Tallinn. She received her master’s degree from the Russian Academy of Painting, Sculpture, and Architecture in Moscow. Prior to joining the staff at the Tretyakov Gallery, Sevagina taught art history, painting and drawing in secondary and tertiary educational institutions of the City of Moscow. She then served for ten years as a senior research associate at the Ilya Glazunov State Art Gallery.

Alexey Sitnikov

Alexey P. Sitnikov, Ph.D. (psychology) - a founder and a president of a major thinktank in Russia, ICCG, a founder of Triangle Consulting Group. Dr. Sitnikov is a head of the Political advising and electoral technologies department in the State University – Higher school of economics (SU-HSE) and a research advisor of the Institute of Communication Management at SU-HSE, a member of the Highest Expert Council of the Russian Public Relations Association, a vice-president of the ICCO-Russia and a President of the National Academy of Social Technologies (Russia).

Author of 11 monographs published in Russia and Poland. ICCG (founded in 1989) provides expert services in public relations, political consulting and lobbying. It has executed more than 400 electoral campaigns, over 350 information and PR campaigns, research, socio-political and lobbying projects and over 200 workshops and training sessions, consulting programs in Russia and abroad.
Stephan De Spiegeleire

Stephan has worked as a defense and security analyst at the RAND Corporation for nearly 10 years, interrupted by 3-year stints at SWP (Germany) and the WEU’s Institute for Security Studies (France). Since 2004 he works in research institutes in the Netherlands (Principal Scientist at HCSS and Senior Advisor Defense and Security at TNO) and also teaches at Webster University and at military academies across the world. Stephan’s current main research area is international defense and security planning, with a special focus on security foresight, risk assessment, (comprehensive) capabilities-based planning, strategic balance of investment, performance management, human-centred defense design. He still maintains an active interest and research portfolio on post-Soviet issues, especially pertaining to Russia and Ukraine.

Adam Stulberg

Dr. Stulberg is Professor and Neal Family Chair; Associate Chair/Research; and Co-Director, Center for International Strategy, Technology, and Policy (CISTP) in the Sam Nunn School of International Affairs. He teaches undergraduate and graduate courses on international security, Russia/Eurasian politics and security affairs, nuclear (non)proliferation, and energy and international security, as well as inter-disciplinary courses on science, technology, and international security policy. His current research focuses on the geopolitics of oil and gas networks, energy security dilemmas and statecraft in Eurasia, Russia and "gray zone" conflicts, new approaches to strategic stability and denuclearization of military arsenals, internationalization of the nuclear fuel cycle, and implications of emerging technologies for strategic stability and international security.

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**Dmitri Trenin**

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He served in the Soviet and Russian armed forces from 1972 to 1993, including experience working as a liaison officer in the external relations branch of the Group of Soviet Forces (stationed in Potsdam) and as a staff member of the delegation to the U.S.-Soviet nuclear arms talks in Geneva from 1985 to 1991. He also taught at the War Studies Department of the Military Institute from 1986 to 1993. Dr. Trenin’s lectures addressed U.S.-Russian relations, Russian foreign policy, and the enduring significance of Russia to the United States.

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He published several books in English and Russian including Anti-Russian Lobby and American Foreign Policy (2009), Russia and the West from Alexander to Putin (2012), and The Strong State in Russia (2014), as well as many journal articles.
Feodor Voitolovsky

Dr. Feodor Voitolovsky is a corresponding member and professor of the Russian Academy of Sciences, as well as acting Director at the Institute of World Economy and International Relations of the Russian Academy of Sciences (IMEMO). He has been one of the leading experts of IMEMO’s forecasting program and is also a professor in the department of Political Science at MGIMO University. He is a Next Generation Hurford Fellow with the Carnegie Endowment’s Euro-Atlantic Security Initiative. His research interests include U.S. foreign and security policy, transatlantic relations, Russia-NATO relations, and wider political and security issues in the context of international institutions.

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His areas of specialization are Russian Literature and Russian Cultural History, especially of the XVIII- XIX centuries. His research includes Russian literature and culture of the 18th – beginning of the 19th centuries in the European context, the cultural history of emotions, and the history of the cultured community in Russia and in the USSR.

Dr. Zorin graduated from Moscow State University (1978) and completed his Dissertation (1983) and Habilitation (2000) also at Moscow State University.
Irina Zorina

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Graduated from the philological faculty of Moscow State University (MGU). Specializations: English and Scandinavian literature. In 1986-1990 worked as a curator of joint cultural projects between Russia and Scandinavian countries. For promotion of modern Scandinavian literature in Russian-speaking countries received several awards, including The Swedish Ministry of Culture Award, The Award of the Finnish Literature Society and The Danish Ministry of Culture Award. In 1993 was a columnist of the Swedish newspaper “Hufvudstadbladet” (Helsinki).

In 1994-2004 was a director of the Russian program of the international non-governmental organization “Civic Education Project”, which supported humanities in the universities of the former Soviet Union and Eastern Europe.

Translated a number of books from English and Scandinavian languages, among which are “Comrade Pavlik: The Rise and Fall of a Soviet Boy Hero” by Catriona Kelly (from English) and “Sommarboken” by Tove Jansson (from Swedish).