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EVENTS

1. 'Catching a Spy' with Bryan Denson

Hosted by the International Spy Museum
Saturday 25 January 2020
L'Enfant Plaza, Washington DC, USA

The FBI and CIA suspected Russia had a dangerous spy working in the US in the early 1990s. But who was it? The newest book in author Bryan Denson's "FBI Files" series for younger readers *Catching a Russian Spy: Agent Leslie G. Wiser Jr. and the Case of Aldrich Ames* explores the race to uncover the traitor.

Denson will be joined by Leslie Wiser, Jr., the agent who ran the Ames operation out of the Washington Metropolitan Field Office, and Sandy Grimes, a CIA officer who was determined to find the evidence that Ames was spying. Together they will explain how Ames betrayed his country, caused US assets to be killed, and ultimately was brought to justice.

More details [here](#)

2. 'Spycraft 2.0: How Technology is Changing Espionage' with Patricia Schouker

Hosted by the Institute for World Politics
Thursday 30 January 2020
16th Street Northwest, Washington DC, USA

Spy technology has captured the imaginations of people around the world, first through books, then through films. Spying and intelligence technology today has evolved significantly from 'Enigma' designed with 26 contact pins to the sleek laptops and fast computing software we have around us.

How can the average intelligence officer cope with the ceaseless volumes of information that the modern world produces? How can open societies' intelligence agencies continue to operate undercover? The speaker will look at the changing landscape of international spycraft and explore the challenges faced by the West against adversaries.

Patricia Schouker is an Energy and Security Analyst. She focuses on strategic and persistent threats as well as the intersection of technology and geopolitics. She has extensive experience in global energy market studies, energy security and political risk.

More details [here](#)

3. 'Betrayal in Berlin' with Steve Vogel

Hosted by Books & Books
Friday 31 January 2020
Coral Gables, Florida, USA

Its code name was "Operation Gold," a wildly audacious CIA plan to construct a clandestine tunnel into East Berlin to tap into critical KGB and Soviet military telecommunication lines. Success would provide the CIA and the British Secret Intelligence Service access to a vast treasure of intelligence. Exposure might spark a dangerous confrontation with the Soviets. Yet as the Allies were burrowing into the German soil, a traitor, code-named Agent Diamond by his Soviet handlers, was burrowing into the operation itself...

Betrayal in Berlin is Steve Vogel's heart pounding account of the operation. He vividly recreates post-war Berlin, a scarred, shadowy snake pit with thousands of spies and innumerable cover stories. It is also the most vivid account of George Blake, perhaps the most damaging mole of the Cold War.

Steve Vogel is the author of *Through the Perilous Fight* and *The Pentagon: A History*. He is a reporter for the national staff of the Washington Post who covers the federal government and frequently writes about the military and veterans.

More details [here](#)

4. Cambridge Intelligence Seminar

Friday 17 January
Intelligence and Counter-Terrorism: A Long-Term Perspective

Christopher Andrew

Friday 24 January
Robert Maxwell and Cold War Intelligence
John Preston

Friday 31 January
The Release of MI5 Files to the National Archives
Andrew Harrison

Friday 7 February
Why CIA invited German intelligence to visit the USA in the 1950s
Bodo Hechelhammer

All Cambridge meetings take place in Corpus Christi College McCrum Lecture Theatre (entry through 'The Eagle' archway, Benet Street) and commence promptly at 5.30 pm.

5. Oxford Intelligence Group

Monday 27 January
Countering Human Trafficking: Intelligence in a Humanitarian Context
A speaker from NGO 'Stop the Traffik'

(Stop the Traffik are working to prevent human trafficking globally through an innovative Intelligence-led approach, which uses information sharing and collaboration to build a global picture of human trafficking hotspots and trends)

Seminars begin at 5.30pm in the Large Lecture Room at Nuffield College, Oxford

CONFERENCES

6. 'Legally Immoral Activity: Testing the Limits of Intelligence Collection'

Hosted by the Citadel
11-12 February 2020
Charleston, South Carolina, USA

Are there limits to intelligence collection in support of national security? Where, if at all, does a free and open society provide the limits of surveillance with civil liberties? Civil liberties are a founding tenet of democracy, but at what cost? How does a country balance collective security with individual rights? Recently, a Federal Court ordered Apple to help the FBI unlock the cellphone of a terrorist, but company officials would oppose that order, citing concerns over the privacy rights of all Americans.

This 2-day inter-disciplinary conference will examine the legal, ethical, social, economic,

historical and political aspects of the United States government's ability to protect its citizens in an era that warfare has no societal or personal boundaries.

More details [here](#)

CALL FOR PAPERS

7. HistoCrypt 2020

Hosted by the European Historical Ciphers Colloquium
15-17 June 2020
Budapest, Hungary

The International Conference on Historical Cryptology (HistoCrypt 2020) invites submissions of long and short papers to its annual conference on historical cryptology. HistoCrypt 2020 addresses all aspects of historical cryptography/cryptanalysis including work in closely related disciplines (such as history, history of ideas, computer science, AI,(computational) linguistics, or image processing) that is sufficiently formalized or applied, with relevance to historical ciphertexts and codes.

We welcome everybody interested in the field of historical cryptology (classical cryptography and cryptanalysis). We invite submissions, either short or long paper, for presentation at the conference, which will be evaluated by a program committee. The conference's subjects include, but are not limited to:

- the use of cryptography in military, diplomacy, business, and other areas
- analysis of historical ciphers with the help of modern computerized methods
- unsolved historical cryptograms
- the Enigma and other encryption machines
- the history of modern (computer-based) cryptography
- special linguistic aspects of cryptology
- the influence of cryptography on the course of history
- teaching and promoting cryptology in schools, universities, and the public

All submissions must follow the HistoCrypt 2020 style files, shall be anonymous, i.e. not reveal author(s) on the title page or through self-references, and must be submitted digitally via the on-line conference system. Submissions to the conference must be uploaded no later than **24 January 2020** at 23:59 (Central European Time).

More details [here](#)

8. The 2020 IAFIE Conference

International Association for Intelligence Education (IAFIE) Europe Chapter
25-27 June 2020

London, UK

IAFIE and its Europe Chapter are joining hands to organise a joint annual conference examining the intelligence requirements for the next decade, with its changing threat environment and fast developing technological advancements. The conference papers will reach out to other cognate disciplines for a multidisciplinary approach and brings scholars and practitioners together for a blend of research and applied discussions on intelligence.

The conference invites scholars and practitioners in fields of intelligence, defence, policing, war studies, security, cyber security, risk analysis and management, history, legal reasoning, cognitive and experimental psychology, statistics, information science, and other fields to submit abstracts for a research paper/presentation, interactive workshop, poster, or a panel of 3-4 papers.

The conference themes include: intelligence analysis, intelligence domains, management of the intelligence community, and intelligence education/research.

Abstracts submissions are expected to include the author name, affiliation, contact details, and an abstract (300-400 words for paper/presentation,). Please submit your abstract to the conference chair, Mohamed Gaballa (mohamed.gaballa.10@ucl.ac.uk) by **27 January 2020** or email general enquiries to info@iafie-ec.org

More details [here](#)

9. EISS Conference: 'Intelligence Panel'

European Initiative for Security Studies (EISS)

22-23 June 2020

Lisbon, Portugal

EISS is a Europe-wide multidisciplinary network of scholars from over eighty universities that share the goal of consolidating security studies in Europe. This fourth annual EISS Conference features both 'closed' and 'open' panels. Closed' panels focus on themes decided by the EISS, and includes one panel on Intelligence.

Intelligence is deeply embedded within national and transnational security policies and practices. The panel's aim is to understand the various roles intelligence plays at the strategic and tactical level. How do intelligence actors reduce uncertainty and provide a knowledge advantage? And what are the problems and pitfalls? Many intelligence practices challenge legal and ethical boundaries in democratic societies. What kind of structures and mechanisms have been developed to ensure oversight and control of intelligence activities? What role do non-state actors play in the collection, analysis and use of intelligence? We are particularly keen to bring together panellists from various disciplinary backgrounds and with diverse theoretical approaches and methodologies. By comparing and contrasting systems and practices from a range of historical and contemporary cases, as well as state and non-state contexts, the panel aims to provide a rich picture of the current status of Intelligence

Studies.

Participants should send an abstract (300 words maximum) by **30 January 2020** to the panel co-chairs, Peter Jackson (Peter.Jackson@glasgow.ac.uk) and Damien Van Puyvelde (Damien.VanPuyvelde@glasgow.ac.uk). Please make sure to send the paper abstracts directly to the panel's chair, not to the EISS. Each panel includes four papers and the chair serves as discussant.

More details [here](#)

10. The 2020 NASIH Conference

North American Society for Intelligence History (NASIH)
12-14 November 2020
Toronto, Canada

NASIH and the Canadian Foreign Intelligence History Project proudly present a call for papers for their 2020 conference. Topics may include, but are not limited to: election meddling, SIGINT and cyber intelligence, Soviet and Russian intelligence, economic intelligence, intelligence analysis, counter-intelligence, the history of spies and espionage, covert operations, popular culture, whistle-blowers, publishing intelligence history, the media and intelligence history, and lessons learned.

Both panel and paper proposals are encouraged. The subject matter is not limited to North America. Please submit a title, abstract of 250 words, and a one-page CV to Sarah Jane Corke (s-j.corke@unb.ca) by **1 March 2020**.

11. ICF: Intelligence and the Second World War

Mercyhurst University
16-18 June 2020
Erie, Pennsylvania, USA

Brecourt Academic and Mercyhurst's Ridge College of Intelligence Studies and Applied Sciences are pleased to announce a conference on 'Intelligence and the Second World War'. Held in conjunction with the Intelligence Community Forum (ICF) this conference will bring together scholars and students, and will endeavor to promote an interdisciplinary and international study of intelligence and intelligence-related issues in the 1919– 1945 period (and beyond) by means of drawing upon the latest scholarship from a variety of disciplines.

The conference will also serve as a forum for historians to discuss and debate the ever-expanding field of intelligence and global conflict studies. Papers dealing with one or more of the following topics are welcome and while intelligence is the focus, papers and panels covering other related topics or taking thematic approaches are equally encouraged:

Counterintelligence / Espionage / Signals Intelligence / Science & Technology Special Operations / Prisoners of War / Cryptology / Resistance Movements Alliance Politics / Intelligence and Air Power / Industry / Naval Intelligence Human Intelligence / Asymmetric Warfare / Deception Operations

Paper proposals must be submitted by **15 March 2020** and must include a brief (200 words or less) one-paragraph abstract and a one-page curriculum vitae. Submissions and inquiries should be addressed to Sharon von Maier (brecourtacademicadm@gmail.com)

More details [here](#)

12. *Intelligence and National Security (Vol.35, No.1)*

‘An INS special forum: US intelligence officers’ involvement in political activities in the Trump era’ by John Gentry

‘The road to CANUSA: how Canadian signals intelligence won its independence and helped create the Five Eyes’ by Wesley Wark

‘Securing the colony: the Burma Police Special Branch (1896 – 1942)’ by Rhys Thompson

‘The contemporary security vetting landscape’ by Paul Scott

‘EU INTCEN: a transnational European culture of intelligence analysis?’ by Rubén Arcos & José-Miguel Palacios

‘The US 2016 presidential election & Russia’s troll farms’ by Stephen McCombie, Allon Uhlmann & Sarah Morrison

‘The legitimacy of intelligence surveillance: the fight against terrorism in the Czech Republic and Slovakia’ by Martin Kovanic & Aneta Coufalova

‘November 1983: the most dangerous moment of the Cold War?’ by Len Scott

‘Chikara Hashimoto on intelligence and counter-subversion during the twilight of the British Empire - an enduring scholarly legacy’ by Geraint Hughes & R. Gerald Hughes

The full issue is available [here](#)

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Kind regards,
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