

Dear all,

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1. 'Codebreaker: The untold story of Richard Hayes in WW2'

Hosted by the National Library of Ireland (NLI)
9 November
Online event

When Dr Richard Hayes, a gifted polymath and cryptographer, was drafted by Irish intelligence services to track the movements of a prolific Nazi spy, Hermann Görzt, it set in motion one of the most remarkable episodes in Irish history. Historian Marc McMenamin discusses the contribution of former NLI Director, Dr Hayes, to the Allied victory in WW2.

More details [here](#)

2. 'After Bletchley Park: global tech and trusted devices in Cold War espionage'

Hosted by the University of Warwick
12 November
Online event

This panel investigates the 'missing link' in the history of codebreaking and cipher machines, typified by the famous German 'Enigma'. It connects the period of Bletchley Park with the Internet era. It seeks to explore cryptography in the latter decades of the twentieth century, arguing that technical processes of interference in trusted devices produced a significant flow of intelligence. It draws on new documents released in Europe and the USA, expanding

our comprehension of technical co-operation between United States, Germany, Switzerland and Sweden. It showcases the latest published Warwick early career researchers supported by the Warwick Cyber GRP. The talk will be historical, but will inform current debates over trusted devices, supply chain security and 5G.

More details [here](#)

3. 'Virtual Spy Chat' with Chris Costa

Hosted by the International Spy Museum

12 November

Online event

Join us for an online discussion of the latest intelligence, national security, and terrorism issues in the news. Spy Museum Executive Director Chris Costa will lead the briefing. Costa a former intelligence officer of 34 years with 25 of those in active duty in hot spots such as Panama, Bosnia, Afghanistan, and Iraq is also a past Special Assistant to the President and Senior Director for Counterterrorism on the National Security Council. He will be joined by Ali Soufan, a member of the Homeland Security Advisory Council.

More details [here](#)

4. 'Security of Research in Canadian Universities' with Tricia Geddes

Hosted by University of Saskatchewan

19 November

Online event

The University of Saskatchewan is partnering with the Canadian Security Intelligence Service (CSIS) on a public talk on CSIS's efforts during the past few months to work with medical and scientific researchers across the country to sensitize them to threats of foreign interference and espionage targeting their research, data, and other intellectual property.

Tricia Geddes was appointed to deputy director, policy and strategic partnerships (DDP) at CSIS, in April 2020. The DDP is responsible for key partnerships in the areas of strategic policy development, foreign relations, external review and compliance, communications, academic outreach and stakeholder engagement, as well as litigation and disclosure.

More details [here](#)

5. 'Secret Deals in the Desert: Science and Technology Espionage, and the Nazi-Soviet Pact'

Hosted by the Plymouth Athenaeum

26 November

Online event

Richard Handy takes us on a journey through the real history, science, and technology that inspired his novels, with a focus on skulduggery taking place between Germany, Russia and the British in Iran – events that still echo through the politics and troubles of the Middle East today, including the rise of ISIS and other extremist groups.

Professor Richard Handy is an internationally respected scientist, editor, and author of technology-led spy thrillers. His spy thriller series, set in the 1930s and 1940s, involves the escapades of Danny Nash of the British Secret Intelligence Service.

More details [here](#)

6. 'Foreign Interference and the Implications for Universities and Industry'

Hosted by RMIT University

26 November

Online event

RMIT University's Sir Lawrence Wackett Centre (SLWC) is delighted to invite you to hear Mr. Jerome Mullan speak about the issues of foreign interference and the implications for universities and industry. The webinar will explore the threat facing Australia as changes in technology enable malign actors to target universities and industry, their IP, staff and infrastructure.

Michelle Gee is Director of the SLWC and Professor of Aerospace Engineering at RMIT University. Professor Gee leads multidisciplinary research, education and workforce training for Aerospace and Defence. Jerome Mullan is the Director of Operations, at Protegas Australia. As a senior intelligence and security advisor with experience across the Australian Government, Defence and the commercial sector, Mr. Mullan has conceived, designed, and managed integrated security organisations in a wide variety of security settings from permissive to high risk security environments.

More details [here](#)

7. 'The Portland Spy Ring and Cold War Counter-Espionage' with Lord Evans and Trevor Barnes

Hosted by the National Army Museum, London

26 November

Online event

In a rare public appearance the former Head of MI5, Jonathan Evans (Baron Evans of Weardale), whose Security Service career started in counter-espionage, is in conversation with historian Trevor Barnes about Barnes' new history of the Portland Spy Ring, *Dead*

Doubles. This spy network was one of the most notorious of the Cold War and MI5's remarkable investigation involved intelligence agencies around the globe including in the USA, Canada and New Zealand.

The conversation will focus on this gripping Security Service investigation, the people involved, the tradecraft, the politics, Barnes' historical sources in Moscow and elsewhere and whether the case holds lessons for today. Jonathan Evans will answer questions about intelligence issues as part of the Q&A.

More details [here](#)

8. 'The Moscow Rules' with Jonna Mendez

Hosted by the Cold War Museum

6 December

Online event

Jonna Mendez will talk about her new book, *The Moscow Rules*, written with her husband Tony Mendez of *ARGO* fame. The book discusses the CIA's rules of comportment when working on the streets of Moscow, which was perhaps the most difficult environment in the world in which to conduct intelligence operations during the Cold War, given the KGB's high level of competence and surveillance manpower. She will also talk about her next book, being drafted during this quarantine period, a memoir of her career overseas as a female CIA technical operations officer.

Jonna Mendez is a retired CIA officer with 27 years of service. She joined the CIA's Office of Technical Service (OTS) in early 1970. OTS provided the CIA with the technical wherewithal to facilitate its operations around the globe. Within a few years she was overseas as a Technical Operations Officer with broad technical skills and a specialty in clandestine photography. Retiring in 1993, she had risen to the position of Chief of Disguise and earned the CIA's Intelligence Commendation Medal. As Chief of Disguise she was responsible for a worldwide staff that created identity transformations for both CIA officers and foreign assets working with the U.S. government.

More details [here](#)

9. Cambridge Intelligence Seminar

Friday 6 November:

Eunan O'Halpin

British intelligence and Ireland, 1919-1925

Friday 13 November:

Daniela Richterova

Banking on Military Assistance: Czechoslovakia's Struggle for Influence and Profit in the Third World

Friday 20 November:

Christopher Andrew

The Rise of Women Intelligence Officers: From Jane Sissmore and the 'Barmy Breezies' to Gina Haspel and Rachel Noble

Friday 27 November

Molly Pucci

Security Empire: The Communist Secret Police and the Making of the Eastern Bloc

This term the Seminar will convene virtually using Zoom at 5.30pm (GMT). In order to attend, you must be subscribed to our mailing list. The Zoom link will be distributed in advance of the session. To subscribe, please email Dr Dan Larsen (drl37@cam.ac.uk) with a brief note including your affiliation and interest in the Seminar.

10. Oxford Intelligence Group

Monday 9 November

Peter Waring

Deep Dive: Malaysian Airlines Flight 370.

Peter is the Programme Manager for non-proliferation at Ridgeway Information, a London-based research consultancy. Before moving to London in 2016, Peter spent 11 years as an officer in the Australian Navy, during which he completed a series of sea postings on a variety of vessels, before specialising as a hydrographic surveyor in 2010.

The meeting will be held by MSTeams from 17.30-18.30 (GMT). You do not need to download MS Teams to participate. [Click here to join the meeting](#) (join on your computer or mobile app).

The meeting will be moderated by gwilym.hughes@nuffield.ox.ac.uk. When you enter the meeting please mute your microphone and turn off your camera so that the screen is reserved for the speaker. We intend to use the chat function to organise questions to the speaker.

11. North American Society for Intelligence History (NASIH) – Brown Bag Lunches

Tuesday 17 November

Jason Bell

Winthrop Bell – The Canadian Spy Who Discovered the Nazis.

Tuesday 1 December

Trevor Barnes

Dead Doubles – The Extraordinary Worldwide Hunt for One of the Cold War's Spy Rings

Wednesday 2 December

Helen Fry

MI9: The Forgotten Intelligence Agency of WW2

(For more information or to volunteer for a slot in this event, please contact: Kristie Macrakis: macrakis@gatech.edu)

All sessions will run between 12:00-13:00, Eastern Standard Time (GMT-5). There is a maximum of 35 people per session. Unless stated otherwise, if you would like to register please email: NASIHbrownbaglunchseries@gmail.com

12. Podcast: The Secret Struggle for Cold War Dominance

This podcast series goes behind the scenes of the global Cold War. It investigates how the 'East' and the 'West' used their intelligence, security services and armies to win over the Third World. The podcast takes listeners to Central Europe, Cuba, Tanzania, the Chagos Archipelago, Congo or Vietnam and discusses the incredible ways propaganda, disinformation, covert operations, assassinations, coups d'état were used in the Cold War struggle for the Third World.

Inspired by journal articles which will feature in the upcoming special issue of the *International History Review* (January 2021), podcast producer Katarina Urban Richterova retells these unique academic findings in a new and engaging way - using a variety of storytelling techniques. The podcast is primarily aimed at non-academic audiences - spy thriller fans, students and busy people with a passion for untold histories that shaped the world.

You can stream or download the 12-episode podcast series on Spotify, iTunes, Soundcloud, Anchor or Google Podcasts. For updates, bonuses, photos and more – follow us on Twitter @CWDominance and Facebook, 'Secret Struggle for Cold War Dominance'.

Spotify: https://bit.ly/spoti_secretstruggle

iTunes: https://bit.ly/apple_secretstruggle

Soundcloud: https://bit.ly/sound_secretstruggle

Google: https://bit.ly/google_secretstruggle

Anchor: https://bit.ly/anchor_secretstruggle

13. Call for Papers: HistoCrypt 2021

20-22 September 2021

Amsterdam, Netherlands

The International Conference on Historical Cryptology (HistoCrypt 2021) invites submissions of papers to its annual conference on historical cryptology. The conference will be held at Trippenhuis, the Headquarter of the Royal Netherlands Academy of Sciences in Amsterdam, Netherlands.

HistoCrypt addresses all aspects of historical cryptology/cryptography 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) to participate in the event. We invite submissions to HistoCrypt, 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

Participation in the conference is mandatory for at least one author of each accepted paper. Submissions from those who are new to the field, particularly

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Kind regards,
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