

Dear all,

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## **EVENTS**

### **1. 'Deterring Coercive Information Operations' with Paul Stockton**

16 November  
King's College London  
Online

KISG is hosting former US Assistant Secretary of Defense, Dr Paul Stockton, who will discuss the US's ability to deter coercive information operations and cyberattacks. He argues that the US should pursue two complementary strategies to help deter adversaries from using information operations and cyberattacks to coerce US and NATO decision-making in future crises. This presentation will explore how new US and allied information warfare initiatives can strengthen both forms of deterrence.

As Assistant Secretary of Defense for Homeland Defense and Americas' Security Affairs from 2009-2013, Dr. Stockton led the development of DOD's Strategy for Mission Assurance, guided Defense support to civil authorities in Superstorm Sandy and other disasters, and deepened US security partnerships with Canada, Mexico, and other Western Hemisphere nations.

More details [here](#)

## **2. 'Need to Know X' Conference**

25-26 November  
King's College London  
Online

By definition a secret activity, intelligence is still a normal part of public life. Throughout history, governments, political parties, and private interests have sought secret intelligence for advantage.

The 'Need to Know' conferences aim to stimulate research and discussions about the history of intelligence, with a special focus on the Cold War and new information from the opening of archives.

This year's conference explores the intelligence legacy of World War II and the manner in which secret organisations adapted to the tensions of the early Cold War contest between East and West.

More details [here](#)

## **3. 'The Evolution of British Army Intelligence Doctrine' with Ben Hodges**

10 November  
University of Northampton  
Online

Drawing from the content of the first chapter of a PhD thesis that seeks to understand the nature of operational intelligence in the British Army during the interwar period, this seminar will show how intelligence theory developed alongside operational doctrine to become an integral part of how the army prepared to fight a major foe in 1939.

More details [here](#)

## **4. 'Propaganda Stamps and Espionage Currency' with Ken Pugh**

12 November  
British Empire Study Group  
Online

Hear stories about economic espionage, spying, propaganda, conspiracy and murder during and after WWII from Ken Pugh, retired grade school teacher and author of 32 references on BNA forgeries.

More details [here](#)

## **5. 'Dark Persuasion' with Joel Dimsdale**

16 November

The International Spy Museum

Online

Call it what you will--coercive persuasion, thought control, dark persuasion, or brainwashing—techniques to control thoughts and minds blossomed during the 20th century and with advances in neuroscience and social media new avenues for manipulation have emerged. Dimsdale has sought the origins of coercive persuasion in the tortures of the past and shows how Pavlov's scientific approaches to behaviour were embraced by Lenin and Stalin setting the stage for major breakthroughs in techniques of social, political, and religious control.

More details [here](#)

## **6. 'Challenges and Prospects in Intelligence Analysis' with Joseph Gartin**

17 November

Johns Hopkins University

Online

A conversation with Joseph Gartin, managing editor of *Studies in Intelligence*. Gartin is a national security professional with more than 30 years of experience in the U.S. Intelligence Community. He recently retired from the CIA as deputy associate director of CIA for talent and chief learning officer, overseeing learning and development programs for its global workforce. His previous assignments include dean of the Sherman Kent School for Intelligence Analysis, vice chairman of the National Intelligence Council, and director of the President's Daily Briefing.

More details [here](#)

## **7. A Conversation with Chris Inglis, National Cyber Director**

17 November

Michael V. Hayden Center

Online

The White House Office of the National Cyber Director is only a few months old but faces immense challenges. Still staffing up and only now receiving funding in the just-passed

infrastructure bill, the threats the office was established to protect the nation from are metastasizing.

Confirmed by the Senate in July, Chris Inglis has enjoyed a distinguished national security career. He served in the U.S. Air Force and Air National Guard from 1976 to 2006, rising to the rank of brigadier general. His 28-year career at the National Security Agency culminated in a 7 ½-year run as its deputy director. Michael Morell, former acting and deputy director of the Central Intelligence Agency, will host the conversation.

More details [here](#)

## **8. 'Virtual Spy Chat' with Javed Ali**

18 November

The International Spy Museum

Online

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 be joined by Javed Ali former Senior Director for Counterterrorism, National Security Council.

Ali is an associate professor of practice at the Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy where he draws on his more than 20 years of professional experience in national security and intelligence issues in Washington DC. He worked for the Defense Intelligence Agency and the Department of Homeland Security before joining the Federal Bureau of Investigation, where he held senior roles on joint duty assignments at the National Intelligence Council and the National Counterterrorism Center.

More details [here](#)

## **9. 'John Le Carre: Writing and Researching Elusive Subjects' with Adam Sisman**

24 November

South West Doctoral Training Partnership

Online

David John Moore Cornwell, aka John Le Carre, who passed away last year, may be best known for his fictionalised spyworlds, but this fiction was often based on his own life and his experiences of working in MI5 and MI6 at the height of the Cold War. For Sisman, the challenge of writing and telling the stories of Cornwell's life therefore meant negotiating these histories, as well as le Carré's tendency to continue to produce ambiguity about his life and work.

More details [here](#)

## **10. 'Buckinghamshire Spies and Subversives' with D.J. Kelly**

27 November

Buckinghamshire Archives

Online

Buckinghamshire has a 600 year history of subversion, sedition and espionage. The county has been home to radical plotters, heretics and heretic hunters, agents provocateurs and informers. Two world wars brought spies, secret agents and saboteurs to the county and many of our stately homes housed wartime code-breakers, eavesdroppers, boffins, intelligence chiefs and even Nazi officers. A surprising number of women spies were incarcerated here and the first use of covert surveillance photography was against local women. From religious martyrs and gunpowder plotters to atomic secrets traitors and the domestic terrorists of modern times - this county has seen it all.

More details [here](#)

## **11. 'A Stranger Within: Diversity and Identity in Canadian Intelligence' with Huda Mukbil**

30 November

Brunel University

Online

Huda Mukbil and her family fled Ethiopia during its civil war and became Canadian citizens. Shortly after the attacks of 11 September 2001, she became an officer of the Canadian Security Intelligence Service (CSIS).

Huda's presentation will reveal the twists and turns of her sixteen-year career at CSIS, including her inability to break into managerial positions unofficially reserved for white men. She will speak about her experience fighting misogyny and systemic racism and her road to demand for equity and reforms.

More details [here](#)

## **12. Oxford Intelligence Group**

22 November

Jan Goldman

*Times-They-Are-A'Changing: Reconfiguring Intelligence Threat Environment (Again)*

29 November  
Elizabeth Bruton  
*Top Secret: From ciphers to cyber security*

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

### **13. Cambridge Intelligence Seminar**

12 November  
Ioanna Iordanou  
*Venice's Secret Service: Intelligence Organisation in the Renaissance*

19 November  
Michael Chertoff and Patrick Bury  
*Adapting Western Intelligence for the New Decade*

26 November  
Simon Miles  
*The Problems of Perestroika: The KGB and Mikhail Gorbachev's Reforms*

The Seminar will continue for now to convene virtually using Zoom. 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](mailto:drl37@cam.ac.uk)) with a brief indication of your affiliation or interest in the Seminar.

### **CONFERENCES/CALL FOR PAPERS**

#### **14. The International Security and Intelligence Program (ISI) Cambridge**

The ISI Cambridge is a specialist summer Programme which provides a unique opportunity to study with leading intelligence academics and practitioners in the historic setting of one of the world's foremost universities.

For four weeks, participants will attend lectures and seminars focused on the complex set of challenges that occupy the highest levels of government across the globe. These will be delivered by a diverse and accomplished team of scholars and include Special Subject Lectures delivered by prominent practitioners. In the past, these have included former Heads of MI5, MI6, GCHQ, the French Security Services, as well as top CIA and NSA representatives. Teaching is modelled on that offered by Cambridge University, the centre piece of which is small group teaching requiring individual research.

This Programme is for students and practitioners with an intellectual or professional interest

in statecraft and the interlocking themes of intelligence, security, defence and foreign policy. The application round will start at the end of 2021. For more information, visit the website, follow us on Twitter (@ISICambridge), or email [isi@thecsi.org.uk](mailto:isi@thecsi.org.uk)

## **15. The 2022 NASIH Conference**

Hosted by the University of Calgary  
Alberta, Canada  
18-20 July 2022

The 2022 NASIH Conference will be a virtual conference. We are looking forward to celebrating anniversaries of key events and highlighting new stories in intelligence history. Papers that adopt new methodologies or break new historiographical ground will also be foregrounded. While preference may be given to those who highlight these themes, papers dealing with any aspect of intelligence history are welcome.

Both panel and paper proposals are encouraged. Panels should include three papers and a chair. The subject matter is not limited to North America. Please submit a title, paper abstract of 350 words and a one-page CV to [nasihconference@gmail.com](mailto:nasihconference@gmail.com) by **1 December 2021**. A panel proposal should also include a 500 word panel abstract.

## **16. The Zagreb Security Forum**

Hosted by the Hybrid Warfare Research Institute  
Zagreb, Croatia  
7-8 October 2022

For the 2022 Zagreb Security Forum we welcome paper proposals from scientific or practitioner perspectives, on every issue relating to the conference theme, with special emphasis on:

- A potential nexus between Hybrid Threats, climate change, and environmental considerations
- The role of Strategic Communication and Crisis Management in countering Hybrid Threats through the study and analysis of practical case studies
- Concepts for the evaluation and analysis of Hybrid Threat effects and influences on civil society and industry
- The concept of and role of Strategic Culture in a hybrid threat context
- Case studies of disinformation campaigns
- The role of technology and R&D in early detection and prevention of Hybrid Threats
- The military role in hybrid threat contexts
- Modern threats to maritime security and safety, with emphasis on the Mediterranean Sea

- Advantages, limitations, ethical questions and legal consequences of counter-hybrid threats activities.

Please submit your paper proposal abstract of 250-300 words and your detailed CV in English by email to [petra@zagrebsecurityforum.com](mailto:petra@zagrebsecurityforum.com). The deadline for proposal submissions is **20 December 2021**.

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Kind regards,  
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