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NATO AND A CHANGING WORLD

PANEL DISCUSSIONS ON NATO, ITS CHALLENGES, & NATIONAL SECURITY

PROGRAM

2:00 – 6:30 p.m.

OPENING REMARKS

Kathryn H. Floyd, Ph.D., Director, Whole of Government Center of Excellence, William & Mary

Teresa V. Longo, Ph.D., Associate Provost for International Affairs, Director, Reves Center for International Studies, William & Mary

FROM 1949 TO COMING FUTURE THREATS

Peter Apps, Reuters Global Defence Columnist, Executive Director, Project for Study of the 21st Century

EUROPE'S SECURITY: A NEW TIME OF CRISIS?

George Barros, Russia Team and GEOINT Lead, Institute for the Study of War

Elina Beketova, Democracy Fellow, Center for European Policy Analysis (CEPA)

Liis Mure, Defense Counselor, Estonian Embassy, Washington D.C.

THE POLITICAL DIMENSION

Ed Owen, Former UK Labour Party Special Adviser, Political Consultant

Alexander Prokhorov, Ph.D., Head of Russian Studies, William & Mary

SURVIVING TO THE NATO 2049 CENTENARY

Eileen Ackley, Global Scholar Student, William & Mary, 2024 NATO Youth Summit Delegate

James Andrew Lewis, Senior Vice President, Director, Strategic Technologies Program, Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS), former U.S. State Department Official, former U.S. Military-political Adviser

Denys Sienik, Deputy Chief of Mission, Ukrainian Embassy, Washington, D.C.

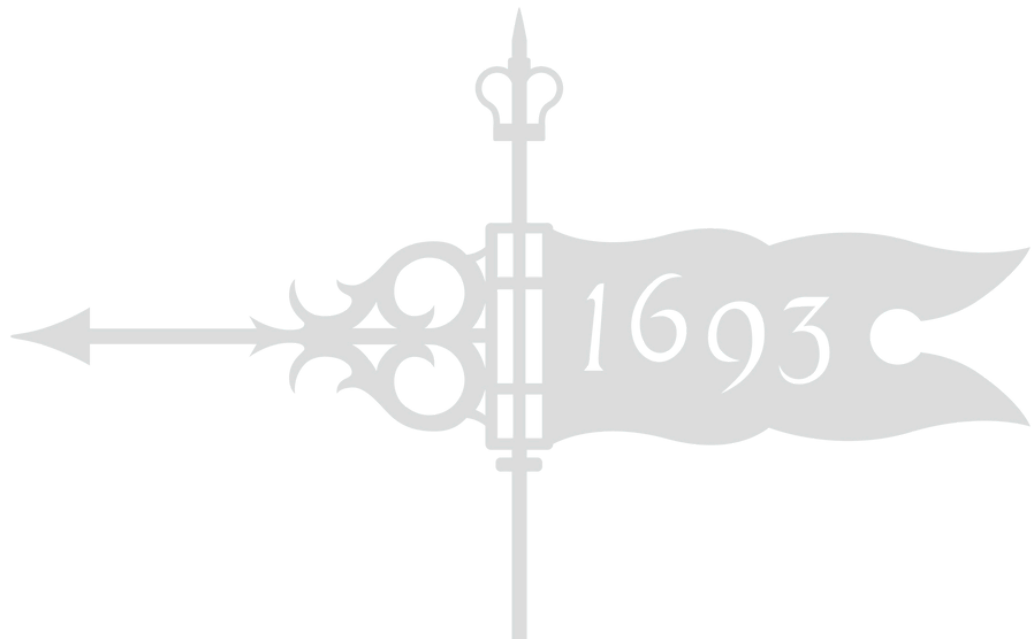
CLOSING REMARKS

Roxane Adler-Hickey, Ed.D., Director, William & Mary Washington Center

RECEPTION

ABOUT NATO AND A CHANGING WORLD

As NATO turns 75 ahead of the Washington Summit in July, William & Mary and the Project for Study of the 21st Century examine its past, future, and the increasingly complex world in which it must survive and thrive.



SPEAKERS

Eileen Ackley

Eileen Ackley is a rising junior at William & Mary studying government. She has expressed interest in great power conflicts, defense policy, and international affairs. During her time at William & Mary, she has been a Global Scholar at Global Research Institute (GRI), campus tour guide, and a new student orientation aid. Eileen served as a student delegate to the 2024 NATO Youth Summit in Miami, Florida. she is currently a National Security intern at QinetiQ, a global defense tech consulting company for Summer 2024.

Roxane Adler-Hickey

Roxane first joined the W&M Washington Center in 2001 as a graduate intern. In 2006, she became the Center's first program director of the newly established D.C. Semester Program, and by 2021, she ascended to the role of Director. As Center Director, Roxane oversees strategic vision, innovation, engagement, and collaborations with campus and DC-based partners, board management, fundraising, and teaches experiential learning, internship, and reflection courses. Roxane holds a Bachelor's degree from Bucknell University (2000), a Master of Education from the W&M School of Education (2002), and an Ed.D. in Educational Policy, Planning, & Leadership with an emphasis in Higher Education Administration from W&M (2023). Her dissertation focused on experiential learning, specifically evaluating the Washington Center's D.C. Summer Institutes in relation to career readiness.

SPEAKERS

Peter Apps

Peter Apps is a Reuters global affairs columnist, author, and former Future of War fellow at New America. He has reported from over 20 countries, including southern Africa and South Asia, with significant work in London and Washington D.C., covering emerging markets, global political risk, and defense issues. In 2006, a minibus accident while covering the Sri Lanka civil war left him largely paralyzed from the shoulders down, yet he has continued to report extensively. Since 2016, he has been a member of the British Army Reserve and the UK Labour Party, and has undertaken reserve military training with both the British and U.S. armies, serving two full-time tours during the Covid-19 pandemic and Ukraine war.

George Barros

George Barros is the Russia Team & Geospatial Intelligence Team Lead on the Russia and Ukraine portfolio at the Institute for the Study of War. George's work with the Russia and Ukraine portfolio focuses on Russian information operations, the Kremlin's operational art and campaign design in Ukraine and Belarus, and Ukrainian politics. His work within the Geospatial Intelligence Team focuses on innovating ISW's open source research methodology with remote sensing data collection, data visualization, and geospatial analysis. George received his B.A. with Honors in International Relations and Global Studies with a concentration in Russian and Post-Soviet Studies from William & Mary. Prior to joining ISW, he worked in the U.S. House of Representatives as an advisor on Ukraine and Russia for a member of the House Foreign Affairs Committee.

SPEAKERS

Elina Beketova

Elina Beketova is an in-residence fellow with the Democracy Fellowship program at the Center for European Policy Analysis (CEPA). Her focus is on Ukraine, including its temporarily occupied territories, and authoritarian threats to the U.S. She is currently the author of "Behind the Lines," a database and series of articles about these territories. Elina began her career as a journalist in Crimea, working for a local newspaper. She later participated in the Benjamin Franklin Transatlantic Fellowship at Wake Forest University and the Global Undergraduate Exchange Program at the University of Mississippi. For a decade, Elina worked as a journalist, editor, and TV anchor for news stations in Kharkiv and Kyiv.

Kathryn H. Floyd

Kathryn H. Floyd, Ph.D., is the Director of William & Mary's Whole of Government Center of Excellence (WGC). WGC, part of the W&M Veteran-to-Executive Transition Program (W&M VET), serves a university hub dedicated to all matters of national security: military and interagency training; convening academic and practitioners on research priorities; and education. Floyd received her Ph.D. in Strategic Studies from S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies, Nanyang Technological University where she worked with the International Centre for Political Violence and Terrorism Research (ICPVTR). She holds an M.A. in War Studies from King's College London and a B.A. in Government from William & Mary.

SPEAKERS

James Andrew Lewis

James Lewis is a researcher at CSIS. He has been a diplomat and a member of the Senior Executive Service, with extensive negotiating, politico-military, and regulatory experience. He developed groundbreaking policies on satellite remote sensing, encryption, high-tech exports to China, and cybersecurity. Lewis was rapporteur for three UN Groups of Governmental Experts on Information Security and his work on norms and confidence-building measures is foundational for international cybersecurity. He has authored numerous publications, is frequently quoted in the media, and has testified numerous times before Congress. He received his PhD from the University of Chicago.

Teresa V. Longo

As Executive Director at the Reves Center for International Studies and Associate Provost for International Affairs at William & Mary, Teresa Longo enhances internationalization across the university's five schools, oversees the center's three areas of specialization—global education, global engagement, and international students, scholars, and programs—and promotes the internationalization of learning, teaching, and research. She is the senior international officer at W&M, holds international signature authority for the provost, nurtures W&M's external international academic partnerships, and may engage with federal agencies like the National Endowment for the Humanities, the National Endowment for the Arts, and the U.S. Department of Education. Additionally, Longo is a Professor of Hispanic Studies, holding a Ph.D. from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and an M.A. and B.A. from the University of Montana, with her scholarship focusing on the cultural relationship between Latin America and the United States.

SPEAKERS

Liis Mure

Liis Mure has been the defence counselor at the Embassy of Estonia in Washington, D.C. since August 2023. Previously, from 2021 to 2023, she was the security policy adviser to the President of Estonia, Mr. Alar Karis. In this capacity she was responsible for intelligence, national defence, international defence policy, internal security and crisis management. She worked at the Estonian Foreign Intelligence Service from 2019 to 2021, and before that, led the NATO and EU Department at the Estonian Ministry of Defence. She was posted at the NATO Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe from 2012 to 2014 as the senior analyst responsible for early warning and horizon scanning. From 2010 to 2012 she worked at the NATO Headquarters Defence Policy and Planning Division, and prior to that at the Estonian Ministry of Defence, focusing on international defence cooperation. She has a degree in political science and public administration from the University of Tartu in Estonia, as well as a graduate degree in international security and terrorism from the University of Nottingham in the UK.

Alexander “Sasha” Prokhorov

Professor Alexander Prokhorov specializes in the history of Russian/Soviet cinema and television, specifically in the periods of destalinization in the 1950s-1960s and contemporary cinema and television. He is especially interested in cultural memory of the late Soviet era. His book, *The Inherited Discourse: The Paradigms of Stalinist Culture in Literature and Cinema of the Thaw* (2007) examined cultural politics of a failed destalinization in the 1950s and 60s. A co-edited volume, *Cinemasaurus: Russian Film in Contemporary Context* (2020) examined contemporary Russian cinema as a new visual economy, emerging over three decades after the Soviet collapse in 1991. His articles have been published in *Critical Quarterly*, *Journal of Film and Video*, *Kinokultura*, *Russian Review*, *Slavic Review*, *Slavic and East European Journal*, *Studies in Russian and Soviet Cinema*, *Art of Cinema (Iskusstvo kino)*, and *Wiener Slawistische Almanach*.

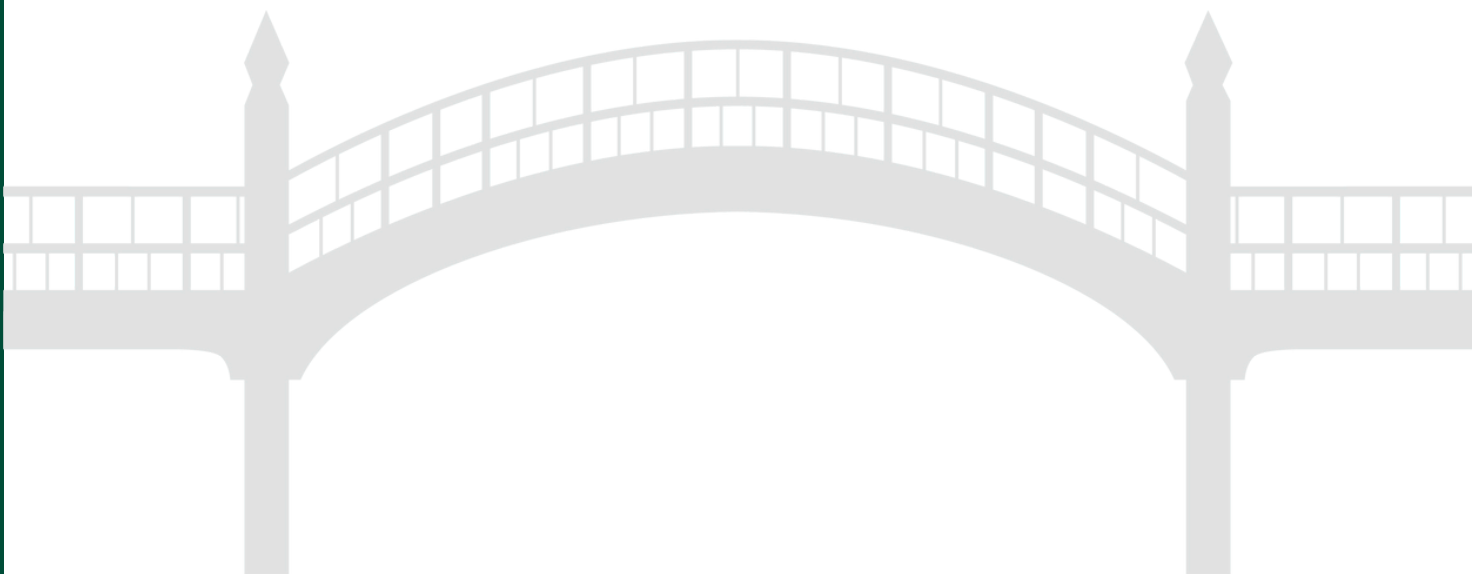
SPEAKERS

Ed Owen

Ed is a senior communications and political professional based in Washington DC who worked as a Labour special adviser in Tony Blair's government in the Home Office and Foreign & Commonwealth Office between 1997 and 2005. A former local journalist, Ed has also ran a public affairs agency in London for six years and was Director of Communications of HM Courts & Tribunals Service in the Ministry of Justice. He currently provides strategic advice to a range of clients including Lisa Nandy MP, Labour's Shadow Cabinet member for International Development. He writes comment pieces for the LabourList website and is a founder of The Power Test podcast in the UK.

Denys Sienik

Denys Sienik is a career diplomat with more than 17 years of experience working at various positions at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine and the Embassies of Ukraine in Canada and the United Kingdom. He has served as the Deputy Chief of Mission at the Embassy of Ukraine in the United States since August 2023. Prior to his current role, Denys served as Chief of Staff to Ukraine's First Deputy Foreign Minister. Denys holds master's degree in international affairs and political sciences from Kyiv International University.



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