

CONFERENCE AGENDA



GLOBAL SECURITY REFORM INITIATIVE

TOWARD A NEW GLOBAL SECURITY PARADIGM

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OVERVIEW

The GSRI conference agenda advances the Initiative's objectives of i) drawing attention to the danger of militarized national security (MNS) policy; and ii) inspiring concerted international efforts to reduce its role in the global security order. Security issues are conventionally viewed through a national lens and, accordingly, approached in a manner guided by "national interests." These, in turn, are often linked with MNS policy. Pursuit of militarized national security, however, has the frequent effect of creating international insecurity and, thus, presents a global problem with potentially existential implications. GSRI maintains that a global solution is required. This necessitates, in the first instance, constructive dialogue among diverse stakeholders. GSRI workshops and conferences are intended as a means of bringing these stakeholders together and facilitating pragmatic, impartial discussion about the communal challenge of overcoming militarism.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Unsustainable Instability: The Danger of the Militarized Global Security Order

*Workshop & Edited Volume
Fall 2023
Bonn, Germany*

GSRI is planning a workshop with an accompanying edited volume addressing the question: *is the reigning militarized global security order sustainable?* The workshop seeks to define the post-World War II MNS-based security model, assess its practical effects on security – global and human – and, ultimately, consider its sustainability as a paradigm in light of its track record and future implications. The workshop will lead to publication of an edited volume and feature presentations from contributing authors.

SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Subsequent events will build on the first workshop. They will focus on generating and advancing implementable solution concepts for i) reducing the influence of MNS policy in international security relations; and ii) strengthening internationalized security mechanisms as an MNS replacement. An important focus of these future events will be utilizing new technologies to promote peace and enhance non-militarized security. Emerging technological capabilities, currently being applied by MNS-driven states to advancement of military ends, also hold great promise for revolutionizing international security management, non-violent dispute resolution and arms control and reduction regimes. Collaboration between policy and technical experts is needed to realize this potential. Cultivating this synergy is a GSRI priority.

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