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EVENTS

1. 'Mi9: A History of the Secret Service for Escape and Evasion' with Helen Fry

Hosted by RUSI

9 December

Online event

When Allied fighters were trapped behind enemy lines, one branch of military intelligence helped them escape: MI9. The organisation set up clandestine routes which traversed Nazi-occupied Europe, enabling soldiers and airmen to make their way home. Drawing on declassified files and eye-witness testimonies from across Europe and the United States, Dr Helen Fry will provide a significant reassessment of MI9's wartime role.

Helen Fry has written and edited over twenty-five books. Her works cover the social history of the Second World War including: British Intelligence and the secret war; spies and espionage; and MI9 escape and evasion. She is the leading expert on the 'secret listeners' at special eavesdropping sites by British intelligence in World War Two.

Please note this event is only available to RUSI members. More details [here](#)

2. 'All his Spies: The Secret World of Robert Cecil' with Stephen Alford

Hosted by the Historical Association (UK)
10 December
Online event

How can we look at Elizabethan politics in a fresh way? How should we understand the assumptions and outlooks of the queen's courtiers and councillors? In this lecture Stephen Alford wants to offer some answers to these questions by examining the relationships between Sir Robert Cecil and his 'intelligencers' and spies between 1595 and 1603. Cecil's formidable system for gathering secret intelligence gives us a valuable lens through which to inspect political rivalries, the operations of clientage and court patronage, the dangers for Elizabethans of writing history, and the courtier's necessary art of dissimulation.

More details [here](#)

3. 'Virtual Spy Chat' with Chris Costa and Nadia Schadlow

Hosted by the International Spy Museum
10 December
Online event

Join Spy Museum Executive Director Chris Costa for an online discussion of the latest intelligence, national security, and terrorism issues with Dr. Nadia Schadlow who served in 2018 as the U.S. Deputy National Security Advisor for Strategy.

Nadia Schadlow was the lead architect of the 2017 US National Security Strategy. Prior to joining the National Security Council, she was a senior program officer in the International Security and Foreign Policy Program of the Smith Richardson Foundation, where she helped identify strategic issues which warrant further attention from the U.S. policy community.

More details [here](#)

4. 'Behind the Enigma: The Authorised History of GCHQ' with John Ferris

Hosted by RUSI
14 December
Online event

For a hundred years, GCHQ has been at the forefront of innovation in national security and British secret statecraft. Famed for its codebreaking achievements during the Second World War, and essential to the Allied victory, GCHQ also held a critical role in both the Falklands War and Cold War. Today, amidst the growing threats of terrorism and online crime, GCHQ continues to be the UK's leading intelligence, security and cyber agency, and a powerful tool of the British state.

Having been given unprecedented access to classified archives, Professor Ferris and Gill Bennett will discuss *Behind the Enigma*, the first book to authoritatively tell the entire history of GCHQ and peer into its future at the heart of the nation's security.

Professor John Ferris is a Fellow of The Royal Society of Canada. He is Professor of History at the University of Calgary, where he also is a Fellow at the Centre for Military and Strategic Studies. Gill Bennett OBE is a Senior Associate Fellow of RUSI. She was Chief Historian of the Foreign Office from 1995-2005, and senior editor of its official history of British foreign policy, *Documents on British Policy Overseas*.

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5. 'Counterterrorism Between the Wars' with Mary Barton

Hosted by NASIH
15 December
Online event

NASIH presents Mary Barton on her upcoming book, *Counterterrorism Between the Wars: An International History, 1919-1939*. This brown bag lunch talk explores counterterrorism in the years between World War I and World War II, starting with the attempted assassination of French Prime Minister George Clemenceau in 1919, and taking the story up to and beyond the double assassination of King Alexander I of Yugoslavia and French Foreign Minister Jean Louis Barthou in 1934.

Mary Barton is a wargaming analyst supporting the US Department of Defense. Previously, she worked in the Historical Office of the Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD). She is currently writing a history of the establishment of the Five Eyes intelligence alliance.

More details [here](#)

6. 'Walking through Intelligence Operations' with Erik Kleinsmith

Hosted by the International Association for Intelligence Education (IAFIE)
15 December
Online event

Encompassing a more than 30-year career as an intelligence professional, Erik Kleinsmith's book *Intelligence Operations: Understanding Data, Tools, People, and Processes* helps readers understand the various issues and considerations for intelligence operations. In this webinar, Erik discusses why he chose to write a book about intelligence, where it fits within the current library of available intelligence sources, and why the intended audience for the book goes beyond the classroom as a guide for practitioners currently seeking to create or understand and improve their current operations in intelligence and security.

Erik Kleinsmith is the Associate Vice President for Strategic Relations in Intelligence, National, Homeland and Cyber Security for American Military University. He has extensive experience in the intelligence and security related analysis and training along with experience in counterintelligence, information operations, and asymmetric threats and tactical military operations.

More details [here](#)

7. 'National Security in the Biden Administration' with Leon Panetta

Hosted by the Michael V Hayden Center for Intelligence

17 December

Online event

The Hayden Center is pleased to welcome Leon Panetta to address this question and many more on the future of American security under the Biden administration. Mr. Panetta served as a member of Congress from 1977 to 1993, director of the Office of Management and Budget and White House Chief of Staff during the Clinton Administration, and the director of the Central Intelligence Agency and Secretary of Defense under President Barack Obama.

General (retired) Michael Hayden, former director of CIA and NSA, will welcome Secretary Panetta and Larry Pfeiffer, the Hayden Center director, will moderate the conversation.

More details [here](#)

8. 'Virtual Ideas Exchange' with John Brennan

Hosted by the Los Angeles Times

17 December

Online event

Join former CIA director John Brennan in conversation with L.A. Times White House reporter Eli Stokols for a revealing conversation about Director Brennan's memoir *Undaunted: My Fight Against America's Enemies, at Home and Abroad*. Spanning his more than thirty years in government, Brennan offers a rare and insightful look at the often-obscured world of national security, the intelligence profession, and Washington's chaotic political environment.

More details [here](#)

9. 'Capturing the Essence of Espionage' with Kristie Macrakis

Hosted by the Women's Intelligence Network

6 January
Online event

This is the latest instalment of WIN's brown bag lunch series, on the essence of espionage and how to write a short story. To register for this event, or for more information, please contact Kristie Macrakis (mackrakis@gatech.edu).

RECORDED CONVERSATIONS

10. The ASIS Interviews

For the first time in the 68 year history of Australia's overseas spy service, its top spy has gone before the camera for a series of interviews conducted by the Australian Strategic Policy Institute – with bio, transcripts, and videos.

The Director-General of the Australian Secret Intelligence Service (ASIS), Major General Paul Symon, talks about the purposes and principles of ASIS and spying in the 21st century. The interviews cover *'The formation of ASIS'*, *'Purpose and Principles'*, *'Spying for Australia'*, and *'Australia's James Bond: finding jewels for the country'*.

More details [here](#)

11. The 'Oh So Social' Conversation Series

To celebrate the 75 year legacy of the OSS, the OSS Society has organised a conversation series on the future of intelligence and special forces, moderated by Michael Vickers. These were recorded in October and are now available online:

'A Third Special Operations Forces Revolution'

'Current and Future State of Special Operations Forces'

'Challenges for the Next Administration and the Bureau of Intelligence and Research'

'The Future of Intelligence' with Michael Morell

'OSS 75: Its Legacy and Lessons' with Robert Gates, Leon Panetta, William McRaven and David Petraeus

More details, including links to the conversations, [here](#)

CALL FOR PAPERS

12. The International Journal of Intelligence and CounterIntelligence - Military Intelligence

Special Issue

Military intelligence is of great importance, but while there is some literature on historical cases, only limited academic research has been done into the post-1990 era. In an effort to understand this lack of attention, it seems that most scholars have emphasized intelligence at a strategic level and studied, for example, the role of intelligence in national decision councils. Meanwhile governments spend heavily on intelligence in support of military operations to meet the information needs of troops at the tactical and operational levels.

This call for submissions aims to bring together contributions that critically reflect on 21st century military intelligence. In different contexts, these can study how military intelligence functions, how it is embedded in the military organization, campaign or operation, what challenges it meets, how it performs and what future developments lie ahead.

Please submit an abstract of your paper by **1 February 2021**. The deadline for complete manuscripts is **29 October 2021**. All manuscripts will be peer-reviewed, with the timeline for requested revisions intended to ensure publication in 2022. Final papers should not exceed 7,000 words inclusive of figure captions and references.

This special issue will be edited by Dr. Sebastiaan Rietjens and Dr. Peter de Werd of the Netherlands Defence Academy. Submissions, Questions and Comments: basrietjens@gmail.com

13. Zagreb Security Forum 2021

Hosted by the Hybrid Warfare Research Institute and the St. George Association
Zagreb, Croatia
3-5 September 2021

The global Corona crisis emphasized the need for a foresight-based grand strategy for national threat prevention and crisis management. In order to effectively counter the hybrid threats of the 21st Century, future needs and capacities must be planned with foresight on possible threats, probabilities and outcomes. Strategic planning for the future must necessarily include strategic analyses with different emerging variants of future events, if it wants to be designated as high quality, safe, reliable, feasible and sustainable.

We welcome paper proposals, with scientific background, on every issue relating to the conference theme, with special emphasis on:

- Role of foresight in grand strategy planning , development , and training
- Strategic Leadership
- Role of strategic communication in hybrid threats and campaigns with deep analysis of practical case studies/examples
- Strategic concept of modern DIME (diplomacy, information, military, economy) instruments in developing, planning, conducting, and evaluating modern Hybrid Threats

- Concept of Strategic culture and its connectiveness with Hybrid threats as a target, mean and source of them in the 21st century (such as Digital Cold War, Economy Warfare with an accent on Energy Warfare)
- Role of disinformation campaigns in modern health crises
- Role of Technology and R&D in 21st century conflicts and wars
- Hybrid Warfare, Radicalism, Political Extremism and Populism (with a special accent on West Balkan and MENA regions)
- Modern threats to maritime security and safety (with an emphasis on the Mediterranean Sea)
- Deep analysis of the election results in significant countries in 2020 (such as Serbia, Montenegro, N. Macedonia, USA) including suggestions and recommendations for future election protection from malicious influences
- 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. The deadline for proposal submissions is **15 December 2020**.

14. Conference on 'Collaboration in a Complex and Uncertain World'

Hosted by the Australian Institute of Professional Intelligence Officers
Melbourne, Australia
25-28 October 2021

From the Cold War, to terrorism to cyber threats to global pandemic – what does the intelligence community now have to do to demonstrate value and results from their efforts? The challenges of 2020 have highlighted an increasing requirement for improved collaboration and cooperation between intelligence professionals, and within the expanding intelligence community.

Contributions are now sought from intelligence professionals, academics, students, and other industry professionals. Authors of the successful abstracts will be given the opportunity to prepare a paper and present it to an international conference attended by intelligence professionals, managers, and sector partners.

There are many areas to be explored to enhance collaboration but the key sub themes for Intelligence International 2021 have been identified as:

Ethics. Changing expectations of data usage and information requires increasing consideration about the ethical application of technology, intelligence techniques and tradecraft. Public expectations of the want for personal privacy, balanced against a desire for transparency of officially held information, is an increasing challenge faced by those working in the intelligence profession. As the amount of information that can be leveraged increases, the ethical use of intelligence generated is an increasing challenge for the global intelligence community.

Partnerships. Increasing amounts of information held by commercial entities, monetised by information brokerage, and driven by a mobile and connected society, provides new opportunities for near real time insights. The benefits of brokered information, including the 'adtech' ecosystem, is well known within the commercial community. This is a data driven market, leveraging highly advanced analytics to deliver competitive advantage in a complex and evolving environment. The intelligence community will increasingly need to look beyond its 'business as usual' data holdings and seek non-traditional partnerships within the private sector to access these expanded data sources to better inform decision-making.

Capability. The global intelligence community is facing an increasingly complex series of challenges. Whilst the fundamental business of 'intelligence' has not changed, effective capability planning is an essential part of an integrated global intelligence approach. Technological improvements and an expanded collection environment require the enhancement of practitioner tools and techniques. Ensuring the 21st Century intelligence workforce is 'future ready' will also require a reassessment of intelligence organisation capabilities, including the need for effective intelligence leadership.

An abstract (300 words maximum) outlining your paper and addressing the theme of the conference and one of the three sub-themes should be prepared, and is due on **1 May 2021**. Successful applicants will be notified and will be invited to complete a full paper by **1 September 2021**. Abstracts should be sent to: journal@aipio.asn.au

More details [here](#)

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Kind regards,
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