5th International Conference on Economics, Politics, and Security of China and the USA
“Partnering for the 21st Century”

October 24-25, 2017
Samuel Riggs Alumni Center ~ College Park, MD

The conference is a joint collaboration between the University of Maryland, College Park and the National University of Defense Technology (NUDT), Changsha, China.

AGENDA

DAY 1 | Orem Hall

7:45 AM Registration & Continental Breakfast

8:30 AM Opening and Introductory Remarks
Dr. Robert C. Orr, Dean, UMD School of Public Policy Dean

8:45 AM Keynote Address
Dr. Zeng Li, Chief Engineer, College of Humanities and Social Sciences, National University of Defense Technology, Changsha, China

9:45 AM Break

10:00 AM Overview of Maryland-China Relations
Nathaniel Ahrens – Director, Office of China Affairs, University of Maryland

10:20 AM Panel 1 | U.S.-China Bilateral Security Relations
Moderator – Dr. Gregory Kulacki, China Project Manager, Union of Concerned Scientists
- Living with Conflicts: Why is U.S.–China Cooperation Possible under the Situation of Distrust? (Li Pengli)
- Mirror, Mirror on the Wall, Where is the U.S.-China Relation Going After All? (David Lai)

11:30 AM Networking Break & Lunch | Heise Ballroom
12:00 PM  **Lunch Keynote Speaker: “Responsible Disclosure – Government and Corporate Roles”**
Melissa Hathaway – President, Hathaway Global Strategies, LLC, and Sr. Advisor at the Harvard’s Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs at that Kennedy School. *(Hathaway is the former Sr. Cyber Security Advisor to US Presidents Barack Obama and George W. Bush, and former Acting Sr. Director for Cyberspace at the National Security Council.)*

1:15 PM  **Panel 2 | 21st Century Issues: Nuclear Energy and Nonproliferation**
Moderator – Dr. Steve Fetter, Associate Provost for Academic Affairs and Professor, University of Maryland
- The Effect of U.S. Nuclear Energy Cooperation on Recipient States’ Nonproliferation Policies: A Case Study of U.S.-China Nuclear Cooperation (Jonas Siegel)
- China’s Nuclear Reprocessing Policy (Hui Zhang)
- Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons: The Gap between Nuclear-armed and Non-nuclear-weapon States (Lu Xiao)

2:45 PM  **Networking Break**

3:00 PM  **Panel 3 | U.S.-China Nuclear Weapons & Security Issues**
Moderator – Dr. Nancy Gallagher, Research Professor; Director, Center for International and Security Studies at Maryland (CISSM), University of Maryland
- North Korea’s Nuclear Tests and Sino-U.S. Cooperation (Gong Keyu)
- Wishing on the Nuclear Genie: China’s Nuclear Aspirations (Ben Lowsen)
- Differing Perspectives on Deterrence: Implications for US-PRC Relations (Dean Cheng)
- U.S. Tailored Nuclear Options: Costs and Benefits in East Asia (Gregory Kulacki)

4:30 PM  **Closing Remarks**
Dr. David Mussington, Professor of the Practice and Director, Center for Public Policy and Private Enterprise, School of Public Policy, University of Maryland

5:00 PM  **Private Cocktail Reception for Conference Participants**

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**Day 2 | Orem Hall**

7:45 AM  **Registration & Continental Breakfast**

8:30 AM  **Welcome & Introductory Remarks**
Dr. David Mussington, Professor of the Practice and Director, Center for Public Policy and Private Enterprise, School of Public Policy, University of Maryland

8:45 AM  **Panel 4 | Cybersecurity in the 21st Century**
Moderator - Dr. David Mussington, Professor of the Practice and Director, Center for Public Policy and Private Enterprise, School of Public Policy, University of Maryland
- Study of Sino US Network Security Under the Community of Destiny (Li Shouqi)
- Problems and Potential Solutions in Cyber Arms Control (Du Yanyun)
- Strategies for Moderating International Cyber Insecurity Dilemmas (John C. Mallery)
10:15 AM Networking Break

10:30 AM Briefing – Global Sustainability
• US Perspective of Global Sustainability (Nathan Hultman)

11:00 AM Panel 5 | Security in the Pacific
Moderator – Ben Lowsen, Asia Specialist, US Navy Asia-Pacific Advisory Group
• ICAS's Nuclear Weapons Portfolio and the Broader National Security Implications of the Sino-American Relationship (Will Saetren)
• The US-China Military Balance in the Western Pacific: A Net Assessment (John Gennace)
• Major Mathew Feehan, Military Faculty, College of National Defense University, College of Information and Cyberspace

12:00 PM Lunch and Luncheon Keynote: “Solving Global and National Challenges: Harnessing the Multi-Stakeholder Revolution"
Dr. Robert C. Orr – Dean, UMD School of Public Policy

1:15 PM Panel 6 | Defense Industrial Base – Acquisition and Procurement
Moderator - William Lucyshyn, Research Professor and Director of Research, Center for Public Policy and Private Enterprise, School of Public Policy, University of Maryland
• Globalization As a Mechanism for Technology Transfer (William Lucyshyn)
• Mapping China’s Defense Basic Research System: Current Status and Future Growth (Eric Anderson)
• Logic of China’s Military Industry Complex Reform: National Security Shapes the Struggle for Priority in Civil & Military Conflict (Yang Mei)
• Understanding China’s Shift from Imitation to Innovation in Defense Science and Technology (Tai Ming Cheung)

2:30 PM Networking Break

2:45 PM Panel 7 | Geo-Strategic Competition
Moderator – Dr. Tai Ming Cheung, Professor and Director, Institute on Global Conflict and Cooperation, University of California, San Diego
• The New Trend of Security Architecture in the Indian Ocean and Analysis of the Reasons (Li Hongmei)
• BRICS in Motion: China-South Africa Relations (Brynn Koeppen)
• Addressing Mutual U.S.-China Strategic Distrust: The Role of Third Countries and Trilateral Diplomacy (Gary Xie & Menglu Zhang)

3:45 PM Closing Remarks
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4:00 PM Meeting Adjourned