

WASHINGTON, DC

Conference on Diversity in International Affairs

Friday, April 10

REGISTRATION AND RECEPTION

5:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

WELCOME REMARKS

6:00 p.m. – 6:10 p.m.

James M. Lindsay, *Senior Vice President, Director of Studies, and Maurice R. Greenberg Chair, Council on Foreign Relations*

KEYNOTE ADDRESS

6:10 p.m. – 7:25 p.m.

Carla Harris, *Chair, National Women's Business Council; Director, Investment Banking Division, Morgan Stanley; Author, Strategize to Win: The New Way to Start Out, Step Up, or Start Over in Your Career*

Presider: Elizabeth Dahan, *Director, Macro Advisory Partners, LLP*

NETWORKING RECEPTION

7:25 – 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 11

REGISTRATION AND BREAKFAST

10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Registration: 1st floor | Breakfast: 2nd floor foyer

WELCOME MESSAGE

Thomas Bowman, *Associate Director, Washington Program, Council on Foreign Relations*

10:40 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

Live audio to breakout rooms

BREAKOUT SESSION ONE

10:45 a.m. – 12:00 noon

Please refer to breakout assignment sheet

Working in Foreign Policy: Lessons Learned

Participants will learn about experiences working in various offices in government, as well as the various foreign policy issues covered during their careers in government.

Farah Pandith, *Adjunct Senior Fellow, David Rockefeller Studies Program, Council on Foreign Relations; Former Director, Middle East Regional Initiatives, National Security Council*

Zeenat Rahman, *Fellow, Institute of Politics, University of Chicago; Former Special Adviser on Global Youth Issues, U.S. Department of State*

Michael Singh, *Managing Director, Washington Institute for Near East Policy*

Presider: Rosita Najmi, *Program Officer, Financial Services for the Poor, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation*
2nd floor

Developing Competitive Applications: Scholarships, Fellowships, and More

Participants will learn about internationally focused scholarships, fellowships, and other opportunities and discuss strategies to develop a competitive application to graduate school, fellowships, and internships.

James Gadsden, Senior Counselor for International Affairs, Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation

Erin Mann, National Director, PPIA Fellowship Program

Presider: Kim McClure, Foreign Service Officer, Department of State; Founder, Gotta Go Global

8th floor

Speed Networking

During this interactive session, participants will have the opportunity to meet many people in a short timeframe. The session facilitators will provide clear guidelines for the session, and will lead participants into an exciting and fruitful exercise intended to expand your network and enhance your networking skills.

Facilitators:

Kristin Hayden, Founder and Senior Advisor, One World Now!

Nicole Rumeau, Senior Project Manager, STARTALK, National Foreign Language Center

1st floor

Human Rights Defenders: Different Approaches and Actors

People all over the world strive for the realization of human rights according to their circumstances and in their own way. This panel will feature a discussion of different actors and different approaches in pursuing human rights around the world.

Tarek Elgawhary, Chief Executive Officer, Coexist.org

Ken Payumo, Chief of the Peacekeeping Operations Support Section for Department of Safety and Security, United Nations

Presider: Mark Quarterman, Senior Fellow, Enough Project

7th floor

LUNCH RECEPTION

12:00 noon – 12:45 p.m.

2nd floor foyer

PLENARY SESSION

12:45 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.

World Economic Update

This plenary will focus on current trends and potential developments in the world economy.

Jerry Lavell Johnson, Founding Member and Managing Director, RLJ Equity Partners

Karen H. Johnson, Independent Consultant; Former Director, Division of International Finance, Federal Reserve System

Presider: David Trulio, Director of Operations, Raytheon International, Inc.

2nd floor

BREAKOUT SESSION TWO

2:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.

Experiences in Entrepreneurialism

Making your own path in business or policy can be a challenging road. The panelists will discuss their lessons learned as well as advice on how to engage the entrepreneurial spirit.

Lee Brenner, Lead, Global Business Development, Microsoft Corporation

Esther Lee, Cofounder and Vice Chair, Council on Korean Americans

Presider: Amy Wilkinson, Lecturer, Stanford Graduate School of Business; Author, *The Creator's Code*.

7th floor

Knowing Your Brand

Technology, compounded with consumer and social demands, is quickly transforming the global marketplace and the role institutions and individuals play in it. Creating a brand is not only economically and socially desirable, it has considerable political and strategic implications. This session will discuss these trends as well as best practices in realizing and creating one's brand.

T.C. Cooper, *Chief Executive Officer, Upward Action*

Tanvi Madan, *Director, India Project, Brookings Institution*

President: Melinda Wuellner, *Deputy Director, Communications and Marketing, Council on Foreign Relations*
8th floor

Honing Your Writing Skills for Professional Success

This interactive seminar will focus on identifying and strengthening writing skills, critical to success in international careers. After the initial presentations, the group will break into smaller groups to work on interactive exercises.

Terry Davidson, *Chief of Recruitment Outreach, U.S. Department of State*

President: Patricia Scroggs, *Director, Rangel International Affairs Program*

Table Facilitators:

Maria Carland, *Independent Consultant; Senior Advisor, ICAP*

Lynne J. Sport, *Senior Director, Human Resources and Administration, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace*

1st floor

How New Demographics are Remaking U.S. Foreign Policy

This session will examine how societies around the world are coping with the broad range of demographic challenges and assess what conditions may help transform these trends to benefit the security interests of the United States.

Frances Colon, *Acting Science & Technology Advisor to the Secretary of State*

Mark Hugo Lopez, *Director of Hispanic Research, Pew Research Center*

President: Farrah Barrios, *U.S. Department of Agriculture*

2nd floor

CLOSING PLENARY

3:45 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

How to Get a Global Education

This plenary will examine both traditional pathways in higher education as well as less traditional routes for students to learn about and prepare for careers in public and foreign policy.

Edith Bartley, *Vice President, Government Affairs, Thurgood Marshall College Fund*

Anya Schmemann, *Assistant Dean, School of International Service, American University*

President: Charles Landow, *Director, Education Content, Council on Foreign Relations*

2nd floor

CAREER COUNSELING SESSIONS

BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

SATURDAY, APRIL 11

9:45 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

One-on-one career counseling sessions are available by appointment only. If you are registered to meet with a career counselor, please arrive at the designated room five minutes prior to the start of your session.

David Fletcher, *Career Advisor,* *Lounge, 1st Floor*
School of International Service,
American University

Katherine J. Taylor, *Student Affairs Coordinator,* *Small Conference Room, 2nd Floor*
Office of Career Services, University of Maryland

Maria Pinto Carland, *Members Lounge, 2nd Floor*
Senior Advisor and Career Counselor, ICAP

Marc St. Hilaire, *Career Advisor,* *Small Conference Room, 7th Floor*
American University