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Joonbum Bae is a PhD student in the Department of Political Science at the University of California, Los Angeles. His primary field of research is international security, in particular questions regarding nuclear weapons, foreign policy decision making, and crisis bargaining. His dissertation examines why states adopt different responses to the nuclear programs of rivals and what the domestic political repercussions are when rival states gain nuclear capability. He received his BA and MA from Seoul National University.

Geoffrey Bickford is a first year doctoral student in Nuclear Engineering at the University of Florida, Gainesville, FL where he received his Master of Science in Nuclear Engineering in Dec 2011. He received his Bachelor of Arts in Linguistics from the University of CA, Berkeley in 1988 and subsequently served in the United States Navy as a Line Officer and an Explosive Ordnance Disposal Officer. His research interests include but are not limited to development of new detector technologies for neutron spectrum analysis and possible applications of luminescent detectors for energy spectrum analysis of mixed radiation fields. He is interested in nuclear nonproliferation applications for nuclear detection technology.

Rosella Cappella is a post-doctoral fellow at the Dickey Center for International Understanding at Dartmouth College. She just completed her dissertation at the University of Pennsylvania titled The Political Economy of War Finance. Her research interests include but are not limited to the political economy of national security. She is looking forward to studying the political economy of nuclear weapons.
Liz Dallas received both her Bachelor’s degree in Chemistry and her Master’s degree in Analytical Chemistry from the Georgia Institute of Technology. Following her education, she applied her skills as a researcher, writer and editor to two important texts. The first was the National Nuclear Security Agency project to produce the industry guideline text *Environmental Monitoring and Surveillance*. The second was the Department of Energy-sponsored textbook *Radioanalytical Chemistry*. Work on these projects provided long-term exposure to many radiochemists and nuclear physicists. The constructive and collaborative nature of the work ultimately led Ms. Dallas to refocus her research interests on the science of and issues surrounding the use of nuclear energy and materials.

Ms. Dallas is currently pursuing a PhD in International Affairs, Science and Technology at the Sam Nunn School, with a minor in Nuclear and Radiological Engineering. Her research interests include nuclear fuel cycle issues, nuclear proliferation and international negotiations and treaties. She has just begun work with the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty Organization (CTBTO) in Vienna, to help the On-Site Inspection Division to integrate the mobile radionuclide units into the OSI training program.

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Erica Fein is a master’s candidate in international security at the Josef Korbel School of International Studies, with a focus on nuclear security and nonproliferation policy. She is particularly interested in state proliferation behavior and the interaction between states and the International Atomic Energy Agency. Erica is also an assistant to the Korbel School’s Center for the Study of Europe and the World, where she supports the Center’s grant to, among other things, bring high profile officials to speak on transatlantic relations. Prior to moving to Denver, Erica was a legislative assistant to Congressman John D. Dingell, former Chairman of the Committee on Energy and Commerce. Her portfolio included foreign policy, defense/national security, judiciary, veterans’ affairs, and small business issues. Erica holds a BA in international studies from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Marcy Rutan Fowler is a nuclear arms control and non-proliferation policy specialist, currently working at the International Atomic Energy Agency as a safeguards analyst. She recently has been named the Vienna Liaison for the International Network of Emerging Nuclear Specialists. Prior to moving to Vienna, Ms. Fowler worked with the Alfa Fellowship Program as a Visiting Junior Researcher at the Carnegie Moscow Center. Additionally, Marcy has worked as a non-proliferation associate fellow at the US National Nuclear Security Administration, and as a research associate at the Lawyers’ Committee on Nuclear Policy. Marcy holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in political science and Slavic languages and literatures (Russian) from the University of Kansas, and a Master of International Affairs degree in international security policy from the Columbia University School of International and Public Affairs (SIPA). In the fall, she will begin working towards a PhD in War Studies with King’s College London, focusing on multilateral nuclear arms reductions.

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Benjamin Jacobsen is a third year postdoc at the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL). He received a B.S. and a M.S. in geology from the University of Copenhagen in Denmark. During his undergraduate years Benjamin spent his summers in Greenland working for mining companies on diamond and mineral exploration. His master’s studies focused on the chemical and isotopic characterization of volcanic rocks from western Greenland. Following his master’s, Benjamin went to the University of California in Davis to pursue a doctorate in geology. His doctorate research focused on the origin and relative abundances of now extinct radioisotopes in primitive meteorite samples, providing insight into the chronological and isotopic evolution of the early solar system. Since joining the LLNL in 2009, Benjamin has worked on various projects, related to geo- and cosmochemistry and nuclear forensics. He is interested in expanding his knowledge about U.S. and international nuclear policies related to nonproliferation, deterrence, safeguards and nuclear threats, which he hopes will foster new ideas for his research in nuclear forensics.

Naomi Marks is a second year postdoc at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL). She has an undergraduate degree from UC Santa Cruz in geology and a M.S. and a Ph.D. degree in geology from UC Davis. Prior to entering graduate school, Naomi worked variously as a geologist, environmental remediation specialist, summer camp counselor, organic farmer, chauffeur, hospital bed installer, grower of e. coli, and a retail salesperson specializing in woolen socks. Her master’s and doctorate research focused on the geochemistry of carbonate springs in California, and hydrothermal systems in Iceland. Her background and expertise is in geochemistry, with an emphasis on isotope geochemistry and the formation of ore deposits. Naomi’s current research focuses on identifying geochemical signatures in materials from the early part of the uranium fuel cycle. She has been particularly interested in developing geochemical signatures for yellowcake uranium and uranium ore materials. In addition her research focuses on radiometric dating of meteorite and early solar system planetary material. Naomi is looking forward to participating in discussions and collaborating with other researchers in the broader forensics and threat reduction communities to develop novel research approaches.

Adam Mount is a fifth-year Ph.D. candidate in Government at Georgetown University. His dissertation explains U.S. commitments to nuclear disarmament in formal settings as responses to a moral disarmament norm. His current applied research considers technical steps the U.S. can take now to better leverage extant disarmament commitments by increasing their credibility. Previously, he worked (with Alexander Montgomery) on political distortions of U.S. intelligence estimates of foreign nuclear weapons programs. He is a summer associate at the RAND Corporation doing strategic planning for the U.S. Army. His work has appeared in Democracy: A Journal of Ideas and Security Dialogue.

Mira Rapp-Hooper is a PhD candidate in Political Science at Columbia University. She specializes in International Relations and Security studies, with a
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**Samuel T. Reed** is a fourth year Ph.D. student in Political Science at the University of British Columbia. Though he studies a broad range of topics across the subfields of International Relations, Comparative and US Politics, his primary research focuses on denuclearization. For this program of study, Mr. Reed was the recipient of the 2010 James and Setsuko Thurlow Scholarship for Peace and Disarmament Studies. Mr. Reed also coordinates his graduate department's teaching assistant training program, and in 2012 was recognized by the Faculty of Arts for his excellence in graduate teaching. In 2007, Mr. Reed earned his B.A. from the University of California, Santa Cruz with highest honors in the major of Politics.

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