2013 Public Policy and Nuclear Threats Winter Conference
Washington, D.C., March 22-23, 2013
University of California, Washington Center (UCDC)
1608 Rhode Island Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20036
Conference Agenda

Friday, March 22, 2013

9:00 AM  Continental Breakfast

9:20 AM  Welcome: Neil Narang, PPNT Program Director

9:30 AM  Panel: Ambiguity at the threshold (Chair and Discussant: Ambassador Linton Brooks)
- Rupal Mehta (University of California, San Diego) – Deproliferation Dynamics: Why States Give Up Nuclear Weapons Programs
- Todd Robinson (University of Illinois) – Does Testing Matter? Nuclear Weaponisation vs Nuclear Latency and their Effect on the Behavior of Neighbors

10:45 AM  Coffee Break

11:00 AM  Panel: Impact of Signaling in Nuclear Policy (Chair and Discussant: Dr. Trita Parsi, President, National Iranian American Council)
- Mira Rapp-Hooper (Columbia University) – All Weather Friends? : Signaling Security Guarantees in International Politics
- Heather Williams (Kings College, London) - From "Gorby" to "Pooty Poot": An Examination of Personal Relationships in Arms Control Treaties
- Matt Kroenig (Georgetown University) – US Nuclear Posture and National Security

12:30 PM  Lunch address by Chairman Allison M. Macfarlane, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission

2:00 PM  Panel: Monitoring and Forensics in the 21st Century (Chair and Discussant: Dr. Charles D Ferguson, President, Federation of American Scientists)
- Erika Suzuki (University of California, Berkeley) – The Three Stage Proposal: Establishment of an International Nuclear Forensics Database
- Liz Dallas (Georgia Institute of Technology) – Broader Implications of the CTBT Verification Mechanisms
- Jay Brotz (Sandia National Laboratory) – Active Monitoring in support of Future Arms Control Treaty Verification

3:30 PM  Coffee Break

3:45 PM  Panel: Nuclear Governance (Chair and Discussant: Dr Janne Nolan, The George Washington University, The Elliott School of International Affairs)
- Jeff Kaplow (University of California, San Diego) – The Credibility of the Nuclear Nonproliferation Regime
- Caroline Reilly (Princeton University) – Examining the Rationale for Parity in Nuclear Arms Control Agreements
Saturday, March 23, 2013

9:00 AM  Continental Breakfast

9:30 AM  Panel: Public Perception in the Nuclear World (Chair and Discussant: Amy Woolf, Congressional Research Service)
- Adam Mount (Georgetown University) – *The Evolution of the Nuclear Disarmament Norm*
- Samuel Reed (University of British Columbia) – *Interaction between Public Opinion and Elite Expertise in US Nuclear Policymaking*
- Will Foster (Georgia Institute of Technology) – *Assessing the Demand Side of Nuclear Proliferation in Egypt using Social Media Technologies*

10:45 AM  Coffee Break

11:00 AM  Panel: Nuclear Policy: An Educational Insight (Chair: Paul Willis-Patel, Atomic Weapons Establishment, UK)
- Philipp Bleek (MIIS)
- Liz Dallas (Georgia Institute of Technology)
- Matt Kroenig (Georgetown University)

12:30 PM  Lunch