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## **Naval War College, Brown University to Co-host Women, Peace, Security Conference**

May 29, 2018 -- PROVIDENCE, R.I. – Media are invited to join the U.S. Naval War College (NWC) and Taubman Center for American Politics and Policy for the sixth annual Women, Peace and Security (WPS) Conference, May 31 to June 1 at Brown University's Watson Institute for International and Public Affairs.

The two-day event will bring together leaders from academia, military and non-governmental organizations to discuss the links between the security of women and the security of states.

This year's theme, "Promoting Global Leadership," will focus on current events and historical commentary within the context of the four pillars of U.N. Resolution 1325: participation, conflict prevention, protection and relief and recovery.

Since the inception of the U.S. National Action Plan on WPS in 2011, NWC has been at the forefront of exploration into national and international issues involving WPS, working toward the goal of empowering women in conflict prevention and peace.

Established in 2012, the conference continues to grow in perspective and scope to include ideas from each sister service and every global continent. It is the only U.S. military academic program specifically related to the topic.

The event will kick off at 8:15 a.m. on May 31 with a short welcome and introduction by Mary Raum, NWC professor and WPS conference chair, and Susan Moffitt, Brown professor and director of the A. Alfred Taubman Center for American Politics and Policy at the Watson Institute.

Below is a detailed list of scheduled events, times and participants.

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Media interested in covering the event should contact Kathryn Dunkelman, Watson Institute director of communications and outreach, at 401-863-1302 or [kathryn\\_dunkelman@brown.edu](mailto:kathryn_dunkelman@brown.edu) no later than noon Wednesday, May 30.

## **THURSDAY – MAY 31, 2018**

### **8:15 Welcome Remarks**

Dr. Mary Raum, U.S. Naval War College  
Dr. Susan Moffitt, Brown University

### **8:30 Keynote Address**

Rear Adm. Cassivi, Canadian Defense Academy

### **9:00 Panel 1- Latin America and the Caribbean**

Dr. Yuri Gramajo, Uruguay Naval War College  
Brig. Gen. Rocky Meade, Jamaica Defense Force  
Rear Adm. Alberto Soto, Armada de Chile  
Moderator: Sean Sullivan, U.S. Naval War College

### **10:30 Panel 2 – Conference Theme: Leadership Perspectives**

Jennifer Link, U.S. Naval War College  
Vanessa Brown, Canadian Forces College  
LeAnne Howard, U.S. Naval War College  
Moderator: Dr. Rick Norton, U.S. Naval War College

### **11:30 Panel 3 - Pacific Region**

Cmdr. Junko Kawashima, Japan Self Defense Forces  
Dr. Saira Yamin, Daniel K. Inouye Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies  
Maj. Dana Grigg, Nevada Air National Guard  
Moderator: Jody M. Prescott, University of Vermont

### **2:00 Panel 4 - International Themes**

Dr. Meredith Soule, U.S. Naval War College  
2nd Lt. Katherine Maffey, U.S. Army  
Brenda Soya, U.S. Naval War College  
Chloe Colbert, Johns Hopkins University SAIS Graduate  
Moderator: Dr. Lauren Mackenzie, Marine Corps University

### **3:15 Panel 5 - Genocide Discussion**

Dr. Kevin Gentzler, U.S. Army Command and General Staff College  
Dave Cotter, U.S. Army Command and General Staff College  
Moderator: Dr. Hayat Alvi, U.S. Naval War College

## **FRIDAY – JUNE 1, 2018**

### **8:30 Panel 6 - Cyber**

Brittany Lamon-Peredes, Office of Naval Intelligence  
Dr. Elena Mastors, The Johns Hopkins University  
Rhea Siers, Center for Cyber and Homeland Security  
Moderator: Col. Michael Clark, U.S. Air Force

### **9:30 Panel 7 – Organizations and Substructures**

Selena Hayes, Hayes Group International  
Dr. Melissa Finley, Sandia National Laboratories  
Marie O'Reiley, Inclusive Security  
Moderator: Cmdr. Andrea Cameron, U.S. Naval War College

### **11:00 Panel 8 – Ideas Worth Considering**

Cmdr. Suzanna Brugler, U.S. Third Fleet  
Catie Fowler, Our Secure Future, a program of One Earth Future Foundation  
Dr. Suzanne Levi-Sanchez, U.S. Naval War College  
Moderator: Dr. Samantha Taylor, U.S. Naval War College

### **1:00 Panel 9 - Education**

Kerry Foley, Harvard Extension School  
Lexie Van Buskirk, Our Secure Future, a program of One Earth Future  
Dr. Lauren Mackenzie, Marine Corps University  
Moderator: Dr. Mary Raum, U.S. Naval War College

### **2:00 Closing Remarks**

Dr. Mary Raum, U.S. Naval War College