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## Schedule

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9:00 a.m.

### Welcome

Daryl G. Kimball, Executive Director

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### Presentation of the 2016 “Arms Control Persons of the Year Award”

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9:30 a.m.

### Panel 1: The NPT and the Ban Treaty Talks: A Status Report

- **Thomas Countryman**, former Acting Undersecretary of State for Arms Control and International Security
  - **Jan Kickert**, Austrian Ambassador to the United Nations
  - **Moderator: Susan Burk**, head of U.S. delegation to 2010 NPT Review Conference, and member of the Board of Directors
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10:45 a.m.

### Panel 2: Curbing the North Korean Nuclear and Missile Threat

- **Michael Elleman**, Senior Fellow for Missile Defence, International Institute for Strategic Studies
  - **Suzanne DiMaggio**, Director, the U.S.-Iran Initiative, and Senior Fellow, New America Foundation
  - **Moderator: Kelsey Davenport**, Director for Nonproliferation Policy
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11:45 a.m.

### Lunch Buffet

*Please be in your seats by 12:15 p.m. for our keynote address.*

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12:15 p.m.

### Keynote

- **Christopher Ford**, Special Assistant to the President and Senior Director for Weapons of Mass Destruction and Counterproliferation, National Security Council
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1:15 p.m.

### Panel 3: Reducing Nuclear & Security Risks with Russia

- **Ulrich Kühn**, Fellow, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace and Fellow, Institute for Peace Research and Security Policy at the University of Hamburg
  - **Anya Loukianova**, Stanton Nuclear Security Fellow, RAND Corporation
  - **Moderator: Kingston Reif**, Director for Disarmament and Threat Reduction Policy
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2:15 p.m.

### Keynote

- **Izumi Nakamitsu**, Undersecretary-General and High Representative for Disarmament Affairs, UN Office of Disarmament Affairs
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3:00 p.m.

### Closing

- **Daryl G. Kimball**, Executive Director
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5:00 p.m.

### Reception

Eighteenth Street Lounge • 1212 18th Street NW, Washington, DC 20036

## Keynote Addresses

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**Christopher Ford** is a special assistant to the president and the senior director for weapons of mass destruction and counterproliferation on the U.S. National Security Council. Before returning to the executive branch, Ford was the chief legislative counsel on the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. Ford has extensive experience on Capitol Hill, also serving as counsel for the Senate Banking Committee (2015), the Senate Committee on Appropriations (2013-2015), the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence (2001-2003), and before that as counsel for the Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations and as national security advisor for Sen. Susan Collins (R-Maine), among other positions. During the George W. Bush administration, he served as the U.S. special representative for nuclear nonproliferation at the Department of State as well as serving as the principal deputy assistant secretary of state for arms control, nonproliferation, and disarmament verification and compliance policy. He is also a former senior fellow at the Hudson Institute, where he directed the Center for Technology and Global Security. Ford is a graduate of Harvard College, Oxford University (as a Rhodes Scholar), and Yale Law School.



**Christopher Ford**



**Izumi Nakamitsu**

**Izumi Nakamitsu** is the new under-secretary-general and high representative for disarmament affairs at the UN Office for Disarmament Affairs. Nakamitsu has served in a number of positions in the United Nations system, both at Headquarters and in the field, including in the UN Reform Team of former Secretary-General Kofi Annan, and with the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), in the office of Assistant High Commissioner for Policy and Operations Sergio Vieira de Mello, and in UNHCR field operations in the former

Yugoslavia, Turkey and northern Iraq. Most recently, she was the assistant administrator for the Crisis Response Unit, UN Development Programme and in the UN Department of Peacekeeping Operations as director of the Asia and the Middle East Division and director of the Division of Policy for Evaluation and Training. Between 2005 and 2008, she was professor of International Relations at Hitotsubashi University, Tokyo. @INakamitsu

## Panelists (alphabetical)

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**Thomas Countryman**

**Thomas Countryman** was a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, achieving the rank of minister-counselor, and served as acting undersecretary for arms control and international security, a position to which he was appointed in October 2016. He simultaneously served as assistant secretary for international security and nonproliferation (ISN), a position he held since September 2011. As acting undersecretary, Countryman advised the Secretary of State on arms control, nonproliferation, disarmament

and political-military affairs. Prior to his position as assistant secretary, he served as the principal deputy assistant secretary for political-military affairs, deputy assistant secretary for European affairs, and as the foreign policy advisor to the Commandant of the U.S. Marine Corps. From 1994-1997, he was responsible for advising Ambassador Madeline Albright on Middle East affairs at the U.S. Mission to the United Nations, and served as liaison with the UN Special Commission investigating Iraq's weapons programs. @TMCountryman

**Suzanne DiMaggio** is a director and senior fellow at the New America Foundation where she leads projects focused on international security in the Middle East and Asia. DiMaggio has been leading Track 1.5 and Track 2 diplomatic initiatives on regional security, terrorism, nonproliferation, governance, and development for over 15 years. She has a special interest in the role of policy dialogue with countries that the United States has limited official relations, especially Iran, Myanmar, and North Korea. Following a recent visit to Pyongyang, North Korea in February 2017, she is preparing to launch a U.S.-DPRK dialogue. Before joining New America, DiMaggio served as the vice president of global policy programs at the Asia Society (2007-2014), and was also the vice president of policy programs at the United Nations Association of the USA (UNA-USA; 1998-2007) where she directed programs that advanced multilateral approaches to global problem solving and advocated in support of constructive U.S. international engagement. @suzannedimaggio



**Suzanne DiMaggio**

## Panelists (alphabetical)

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**Michael Elleman**

**Michael Elleman** is the senior fellow for missile defence at the Institute for International Strategic Studies (IISS). Before joining IISS, Elleman spent five years at Booz Allen Hamilton, where he supported the implementation of Cooperative Threat Reduction programmes sponsored by the U.S. Department of Defense and the Department of Energy. He also provided weapons proliferation analyses to the Advanced Systems and Concepts Office at the Defense Threat Reduction Agency (DTRA). Previously, he spent 18 months at the UN Monitoring, Verification and Inspection Commission (UNMOVIC) as a missile expert for weapons inspection missions in Iraq. Prior to joining the UN, he spent two decades as a scientist at Lockheed Martin's Research and Development Laboratory, where his activities focused on solid propellants, weapons elimination technologies, nuclear effects and special materials research. From 1995 to 2001, he led a Cooperative Threat Reduction program in Russia, aimed at dismantling obsolete long-range missiles. @**StuckinArabia**

**Jan Kickert** is the permanent representative of Austria to the United Nations in New York. Prior to his appointment as ambassador, Kickert was director-general for political affairs of the Austrian Ministry of Foreign Affairs from 2009 to 2011. He served as his country's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Austria to Croatia. Kickert also served in a number of other government positions, including in the Cabinet of the Minister for Foreign Affairs from 2005 to 2007, and as deputy head of the Cabinet from 2007 to 2009. In the autumn of 2004, he acted as the personal representative to Kosovo of Javier Solana, the European Union's high representative for common foreign and security policy. From 2001 to 2004, he was minister-counsellor and deputy head of Mission at the Austrian Embassy in Ottawa. He joined the Austrian Foreign Ministry in 1995 after graduating that year from the Diplomatic Academy in Vienna, Austria. @**AustriaUN**



**Jan Kickert**



**Ulrich Kühn**

**Ulrich Kühn** is a Stanton nuclear security fellow at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, and a fellow with the Institute for Peace Research and Security Policy at the University of Hamburg (IFSH). He holds a Ph.D. in political sciences from Hamburg University and was also a UN Fellow on Disarmament. His current research focuses on escalation dynamics in the NATO-Russia context and possible arms control measures. Previously, he worked for the German Federal Foreign

Office. Kühn is the founder and a permanent member of the Deep Cuts Commission, a 21-member trilateral commission of German, Russian, and American experts, chair of the Standing Group on Non-Proliferation of the European Initiative on Security Studies (EISS), and an elected member of the International Institute for Strategic Studies and an alumnus of the ZEIT Foundation Ebelin und Gerd Bucerius.

**@UlITKuehn**

**Anya Loukianova** is a Stanton nuclear security fellow at RAND. Her research interests include U.S./NATO-Russian security strategies and Euro-Atlantic security institutions. Prior to her current position, Loukianova was a program officer at the Stanley Foundation where she focused on multilateral action to strengthen nuclear security. Between 2007 and 2012, she was a research associate at the James Martin Center for Nonproliferation Studies at the Monterey Institute of International Studies, where she

focused nuclear weapons and nuclear fuel cycle issues in Russia and the former Soviet Union states and also provided research support for a book dealing with cruise missile proliferation. She received her Ph.D. in policy studies (international security and economic policy) from the University of Maryland and earned an M.P.I.A. in security studies from the University of Pittsburgh. **@Anyalouk**



**Anya Loukianova**



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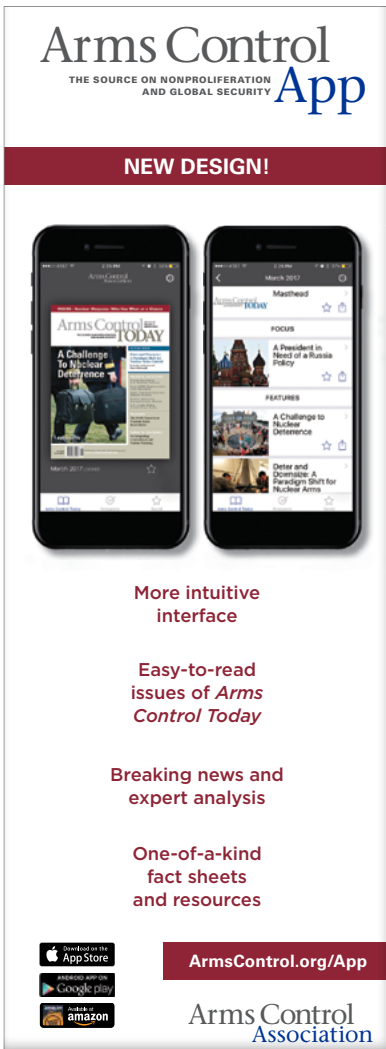
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The five initiatives examined in this project include: the Global Initiative to Combat Nuclear Terrorism, the Missile Technology Control Regime, the Nuclear Suppliers Group, the Proliferation Security Initiative, and the G7 Global Partnership Against the Spread of Weapons of Mass Destruction.

## Arms Control Persons of the Year



### **The 2016 Arms Control Persons of the Year Award Winners: The Republic of the Marshall Islands and its former Foreign Minister Tony de Brum.**

The Republic of the Marshall Islands and its former Foreign Minister Tony de Brum, garnered the highest number of votes in an online poll to determine the “2016 Arms Control Persons of the Year.” Over 1,850 individuals from 63 countries participated in the selection.

The government of the Marshall Islands and Ambassador de Brum were nominated for pursuing a formal legal case in the International Court of Justice in The Hague against the world’s nuclear-armed states for their failure to initiate nuclear disarmament negotiations in violation of Article VI of the 1968 nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty and customary international law.

In October 2016, the 16-member court issued their rulings which upheld the arguments of the nuclear states that the Court lacked jurisdiction in two 9-7 votes in the cases of India and Pakistan and in an 8-8 vote in the case of the United Kingdom.

The people of the Marshall Islands were subjected to 67 U.S. atmospheric nuclear tests explosions from 1946 to 1958. India, Pakistan, and the United Kingdom were the only states to participate in the lawsuits because the others do not recognize the court’s compulsory jurisdiction to mediate disputes between states.

Despite the court decisions, representatives of the Marshall Islands said the cases brought the frustratingly slow pace of disarmament negotiations to the world’s attention.

## Previous Winners

The Arms Control Association is dedicated to providing authoritative information and promoting practical solutions to address the dangers posed by the world's most dangerous weapons: nuclear, biological, and chemical, as well as certain types of conventional arms.

Every year since 2007, the Arms Control Association's staff has nominated several individuals and institutions that have advanced effective arms control, nonproliferation, and disarmament solutions and/or raised awareness of the threats posed by mass casualty weapons. The nominee that receives the highest number of votes in an online poll becomes the "Arms Control Person of the Year."

- 2015**      **Setsuko Thurlow** and the *Hibakusha* (atomic bomb survivors) of Hiroshima and Nagasaki for their unyielding dedication to sharing first-hand accounts of the catastrophic and inhumane effects of nuclear weapons.
- 2014**      Austria's Director for Arms Control, Nonproliferation, and Disarmament Ambassador **Alexander Kmentt** for organizing the third International Conference on the Humanitarian Impact of Nuclear Weapons.
- 2013**      Executive-Secretary of the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty Organization **Lassina Zerbo** for providing real-time data regarding North Korea's third nuclear test explosion.
- 2012**      **General James Cartwright** for calling on the United States to reduce its nuclear forces, scale back triad modernization plans, and reduce the alert status of deployed weapons.
- 2011**      Reporter and activist **Kathi Lynn Austin** for her work to document and track arms smugglers and for highlighting the need for a robust global Arms Trade Treaty.
- 2010**      Kazakhstan Deputy Foreign Minister **Kairat Umarov** and U.S. National Nuclear Security Administration Administrator **Thomas D'Agostino** for securing material containing highly enriched uranium and weapons-grade plutonium.
- 2009**      **Senator Richard Lugar** (R-Ind.) for his long-running support for U.S. financial contributions to assist with the construction of Russia's chemical weapons demilitarization complex.
- 2008**      Norway's Foreign Minister **Jonas Gahr Støre** and his ministry's Director-General for Security Policy **Steffen Kongstad**. Støre convened the Oslo process which led to the negotiation of the Convention on Cluster Munitions, and Kongstad led Norway's cross departmental effort.
- 2007**      Congressmen **Peter Visclosky** (D-Ind.) and **David Hobson** (R-Ohio) for helping lead the effort for Congress to reject the Bush administration's proposal to fund research on a new, replacement warhead.







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