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Panelist Biographies

PANEL 1: HOW THE ARCTIC IS CHANGING: ENVIRONMENT, GEOGRAPHY, GOVERNANCE

Erin Sikorsky, *Center for Climate and Security*

Erin Sikorsky is Director of the Center for Climate and Security (CSS), and the International Military Council on Climate and Security (IMCCS). Previously, Erin served as the Deputy Director of the Strategic Futures Group on the National Intelligence Council (NIC) in the US, where she co-authored the quadrennial Global Trends report and led the US intelligence community's environmental and climate security analysis. Ms. Sikorsky is an adjunct professor at George Mason University, a member of the Climate Migration Council, and serves on the advisory board of the Smith College Center for Environment, Ecological Design and Sustainability. She has published articles in a range of outlets, including *Foreign Policy*, *Survival*, *Environmental Affairs*, *Lawfare*, *War on the Rocks*, *The Hill*, *Just Security*, and *The Cipher Brief*. Ms. Sikorsky earned a Master of International Affairs at Columbia University, and a B.A. in government from Smith College.

Marisol Maddox, *Wilson Center*

Marisol Maddox is a Senior Arctic Analyst at the Polar Institute of the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars in Washington, DC. Her research considers the nexus of the Arctic, climate change, security, and geopolitics. She is particularly interested in how the growing presence of actorless threats—such as climate change and biodiversity loss—challenges strategic thinking and first-order assumptions about security.

Ms. Maddox is a non-resident research fellow at the Center for Climate & Security, a term member of the Council on Foreign Relations, and a member of the Newport Arctic Scholars Initiative at the U.S. Naval War College. Ms. Maddox holds an M.A. in International Security with a concentration in Transnational Challenges from George Mason University's Schar School. She holds a B.A. in Environmental Studies with a concentration in Ecosystems from Binghamton University.

Eugénie Panitcherska, *Embassy of Canada*

Eugénie is currently First Secretary at the Embassy of Canada in Washington, DC., focusing on Arctic and Indigenous Affairs. She joined the foreign service in 2003. Her first assignment abroad was in Beijing, China (2006-2008) in the Public Affairs section responsible for media relations, communications, and outreach. From 2009 to 2013, she was posted in Oslo, Norway as head of the Political and Public Affairs section, managing Canada's political, economic, and advocacy program, and where her interest for the Arctic started. During that assignment, Eugénie was also chargé d'affaires in Norway and non-resident chargé d'affaires for

the Canadian Embassy in Reykjavik, Iceland. At headquarters, Eugénie has worked on a variety of issues, including security and defense (NATO/OSCE) as well as human rights. She has a bachelor's degree in Political Studies and International Relations and a master's degree in Public Administration.

Moderator, Todd La Porte, Schar School

Todd M. La Porte is an associate professor in the Schar School of Policy and Government at George Mason University. His current research interests include climate change adaption policy and governance, organizational and social resiliency.

La Porte has also worked on governance and the use of networked information technologies, for which he has received National Science Foundation and Pew Foundation support, public attitudes to technology and homeland security, with Department of Homeland Security funding, critical infrastructure protection, and organizational responses to extreme events such as 9/11 and Hurricane Katrina. His most recent major publication in this area as contributor to and coeditor of *Seeds of Disaster, Roots of Response: How Private Action Can Reduce Public Vulnerability* with Philip Auerswald, Lewis M. Branscomb, and Erwann Michel-Kerjan.

Before coming to Mason, La Porte was a member of the faculty of technology, policy, and management at the Delft University of Technology in the Netherlands, where he was associate professor. From 1989 to 1995, he was an analyst at the Office of Technology Assessment (OTA), a research office of the US Congress where he worked on the roles of wireless telecommunications and the National Information Infrastructure, international trade in telecommunications services and US policy, and international defense industrial cooperation and the arms trade. In addition to his work at OTA, La Porta has published work in public organizational challenges of the web in disaster assistance, on European technology assessment methodologies and practices, and on the social implications of telecommunications mobility. He received his PhD in Political Science from Yale University in 1989, and his B.A. in Sociology and Political Science from Swarthmore College in 1980.

PANEL 2: THE INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC DIMENSIONS

Lawson Brigham, University of Alaska and Wilson Center

Lawson W. Brigham is a Global Fellow at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars in Washington, DC and a researcher at the University of Alaska Fairbanks (UAF). He is currently a member of the National Academies Polar Research Board and a Fellow at the U.S. Coast Guard Academy's Center for Arctic Study & Policy. Captain Brigham was a career U.S. Coast Guard officer and commanded four cutters including the polar icebreaker *Polar Sea* on Arctic and Antarctic expeditions; he also served as the Coast Guard's Chief of Strategic Planning in Washington, DC. During 2004-2009 he was chair of the Arctic Council's *Arctic marine Shipping Assessment* and Vice Chair of the Council's Protection of the Arctic Marine Environmental Working Group. Dr. Brigham has been a Marine Policy Fellow at Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution; a faculty member of the U.S. Coast Guard Academy, Naval Postgraduate School, and UAF (as Professor of Geography), and Alaska Director of the U.S. Arctic Research Commission.

Lawson is a graduate of the U.S. Coast Guard Academy, a Naval War College distinguished graduate, and holds graduate degrees from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (MS) and Cambridge University (MPhil and PhD). His research interests have focused on the Russian maritime Arctic, Arctic marine safety and environmental protection, Arctic climate change, polar geopolitics, and strategic planning. Dr. Brigham is an

elected member on the Council on Foreign Relations and the Norwegian Scientific Academy for Polar Research. A central peak in the Gonville and Caius Range, Victoria Land, Antarctica was named *Mount Brigham* in January 2008 by the U.S. Board of Geographic Names.

Richard Kauzlarich, Schar School

Ambassador Richard Kauzlarich is a Distinguished Visiting Professor in the Schar School of Policy and Government at George Mason University. He teaches courses on the geopolitics of energy security and the theory and practice of public policy. Since 2014, he has been co-director of the Center for Energy Science and Policy (CESP).

Kauzlarich was National Intelligence Officer for Europe on the National Intelligence Council, Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI) from September 2003 to April 2011. He received the National Intelligence Distinguished Service Medal for his activities. Before that position, he had a 32-year career in the Foreign Service. He served as United States Ambassador to Bosnia and Herzegovina from 1997-1999 and Azerbaijan from 1994-1997. He was senior deputy to the Secretary of State and the President's Special Representative to the Newly Independent States (NIS) from 1993-1994. He was deputy assistant secretary of state in the Bureau of European Affairs from 1991-1993, deputy assistant secretary of state for International Organizational Affairs in 1984-1986, and deputy director of the State Department's Policy Planning Staff in 1986-1989, handling global and international economic issues.

In December 2001, the Century Foundation published his report, "Time for Change? U.S. Policy in the Transcaucasus." He is a co-author of *Aid During Conflict: Interaction Between Military and Civilian Assistance Providers in Afghanistan, September 2001-June 2002*, published by RAND. In 2017, he contributed a chapter on U.S. policy toward the South Caucasus in *The New Geopolitics of the South Caucasus*, edited by Shireen T. Hunter.

Lucy Duncan, Safe Ports

Lucy Duncan is Founder and CEO of Safe Ports, which excels in logistics, free trade zones and port development, port security, disaster/humanitarian relief support, and other related services. Lucy began her career with the World Bank and Silicon Valley's leading IT companies establishing major projects in 60 countries; she responded to 9/11 establishing Safe Ports, performing seaport security in Mexico and Egypt in 2002.

Moderator, Kenneth Reinert, Schar School

Kenneth A. Reinert is Professor Public Policy at the Schar School of Policy and Government at George Mason University. He received a School of Public Policy Distinguished Teaching Award in 2003 and served as Director of the Global Commerce and Policy Program from 2007 to 2010 and 2013 to 2022.

Professor Reinert received his PhD in Economics from the University of Maryland and held the positions of Senior International Economist at the US International Trade Commission and Associate Professor at Economics at Kalamazoo College. He has consulted for the World Trade Organization, the World Bank, The OECD Development Centre, and the US Department of Commerce.

Professor Reinert has published over 80 papers in professional journals and edited volumes in the areas of international trade, economic development, and environmental policy. He is author of *An Introduction to*

International Economics: New Perspectives on the World Economy (Cambridge University Press, 2012, 2021) and *No Small Hope: Towards the Universal Provision of Basic Goods* (Oxford University Press, 2018), and co-author of *Globalization for Development: Meeting New Challenges* (Oxford University Press, 2012). These books have been translated into Spanish, French, Italian, Chinese, and Arabic.

Professor Reinert is the editor of the *Handbook of Globalisation and Development* (Edward Elgar, 2017) and co-editor of *Applied Methods for Trade Policy Analysis: A Handbook* (Cambridge University Press, 1997) and the two volume *Princeton Encyclopedia of the World Economy* (Princeton University Press, 2009). He is also editor of *Cambridge Elements in International Economics*. He is currently writing *The Lure of Economic Nationalism: Beyond Zero Sum* for Anthem Press.

PANEL 3: THE INTERNATIONAL SECURITY PICTURE

Dave Auerswald, *National War College*

David Auerswald is Professor of Security Studies at the U.S. National War College (NWC) in Washington, DC, as well as a nonresident Senior Fellow at the Atlantic Council. Since joining the NWC faculty in 2001, he has served as Acting Dean of Faculty, Associate Dean of Academic Programs, and as a Course Director for major portions of the NWC curriculum on five separate occasions.

Dr. Auerswald has published articles and chapters on a variety of national security and foreign policy topics. His most recent work has focused on the geopolitics of the Arctic. ****
He has published five books, the most recent of which are *Congress and Civil-Military Relations* (Georgetown University Press, 2015) and *NATO in Afghanistan: Fighting Together, Fighting Alone* (Princeton University Press, 2014, co-authored with Stephen Saideman).

Dr. Auerswald previously served on the faculty of George Washington University's Department of Political Science and the Elliott School of International Affairs. He has worked as a congressional staff member on three separate occasions. He received his PhD and M.A. in political science from the University of California, San Diego, and undergraduate degrees in political science and English literature from Brown University.

Doyle Hodges, *Texas National Security Review and Schar School*

Doyle Hodges is the executive editor of *Texas National Security Review*. Before entering academia, he served for 21 years as a U.S. Naval officer, commanding a salvage ship forward deployed to Sasebo, Japan and a destroyer homeported in Norfolk, Virginia. His research interests include ethics and law in armed conflict, grand strategy, defense and maritime policy analysis, and the role of emerging technology in national security. He has taught at the U.S. Naval Academy, the U.S. Naval War College, Princeton University, and George Mason University. His writing has appeared in *U.S. Naval Institute Proceedings*, *Lawfare*, the *Center for International Maritime Security* blog, *War on the Rocks*, and the *Texas National Security Review*.

Rebecca Pincus, *Polar Institute*

Dr. Rebecca Pincus is director of the Polar Institute at the Woodrow Wilson Center in Washington, DC. Previously, she was on the faculty at the US Naval War College, in the Center for Naval Warfare Studies. She has also worked in the Office of the Secretary of Defense for Policy, as Arctic and Climate Strategy Advisor

with the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Arctic and Global Resilience. Dr. Pincus worked on polar strategy and policy issues for the US Coast Guard at its Center for Arctic Study and Policy, where she remains a fellow. She is currently a contribute author for the 5th National Climate Assessment.

Moderator, Ellen Laipson, *Schar School*

Ellen Laipson is the director of the Master's in International Security degree program and the Center for Security Policy Studies in the Schar School of Policy and Government at George Mason University. She joined mason after a distinguished 25-year career in government and as president and CEO of the Stimson Center (2002-2015).

Laipson serves on a number of academic and other nongovernmental boards related to international security and diplomacy and was a columnist for worldpoliticsreview.com. Her last post in government was vice chair of the National Intelligence Council (1997-2002). Laipson also served on the State Department's policy planning staff, the National Security Council staff, and the Congressional Research Service. A member of the Council on Foreign Relations, she serves on the Advisory Councils of the Chicago Council on Global Affairs and Georgetown University's Institute for the Study of Diplomacy.

Laipson served on the board of the Asia Foundation (2003-2015) and the Council of the International Institute of Strategic Studies (2009-2019). She was a member of the CIA External Advisory Panel from 2006-2009, President Obama's Intelligence Advisory Board from 2009-2013, and on the Secretary of State's Foreign Affairs Policy Board 2011-2014.

She received a M.A. from the Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies and an A.B. from Cornell University.

LUNCHTIME SPEAKERS

Mark Katz, *Schar School*

Mark N. Katz is a professor of government and politics at George Mason University. He is the author of *The Third World in Soviet Military Thought* (Johns Hopkins University Press, 1982), *Russia and Arabia: Soviet Foreign Policy toward the Arabian Peninsula* (Johns Hopkins University Press, 1986), *Gorbachev's Military Policy in the Third World* (Center for Strategic and International Studies, 1989), *Revolutions and Revolutionary Waves* (St. Martin's Press, 1997), *Reflections on Revolutions* (St. Martin's Press, 1999), and *Leaving without Losing: The War on Terror after Iraq and Afghanistan* (Johns Hopkins University Press, 2012).

During 2017, Katz was a visiting scholar first at the Arab Gulf States Institute in Washington (January-March) and at the Finnish Institute of International Affairs in Helsinki (April-September). During 2018, he was a Fulbright Scholar at the School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS) in London (January-March) and the Sir William Luce Fellow at Durham University in the U.K. (April-June). In February 2019, he was appointed a Nonresident Senior Fellow at the Atlantic Council.

Katz earned a BA in International Relations from the University of California at Riverside in 1976, a MA in International Relations from the Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies in 1978, and a PhD in Political Science from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1982. Links to his recent articles can be found on www.marknkatz.com.

Andrey Todorov, *Belfer Center's Arctic Initiative*

Andrey Todorov is a Postdoctoral Research Fellow at the Belfer Center's Arctic Initiative, as well as the Primakov Institute of World Economy and International Relations at the Russian Academy of Sciences. He holds a PhD in Law from the Moscow State Linguistic University, with research interests in the Arctic Ocean governance and international Law of the Sea. He worked in the Legal Department of the Russian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, where he focused mainly on various issues of the International Law of the Sea, in particular, delimitation of maritime areas in the Arctic, combating piracy at sea, legal regime of the seabed areas beyond national jurisdiction, regulation of shipping on the Northern Sea Route, etc. His current research explores issues related to identifying opportunities for enhancing the US-Russia cooperation on shipping regulation in the Bering Strait Region.

