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| https://app.icontact.com/icp/loadimage.php/mogile/208067/b1424888b53b56e47b01331edc7365c5/image/gif          **The 2017 Biennial International Conference of the**  **Inter-University Seminar on Armed Forces and Society**  **The Hyatt Regency Reston**  **Reston, Virginia**  **November 3-5, 2017** |
| **DEADLINE: February 15, 2017**  The Biennial International Conference of the Inter-University Seminar on Armed Forces and Society will be held November 3-5, 2017, at the Hyatt Regency Hotel, 1800 Presidents Street, Reston, Virginia 20190.The Program Committee is currently soliciting proposals for individual papers and for panel sessions.  2017 Conference panels will begin Friday morning, November 3, with panels both morning and afternoon and the IUS Welcome Reception and Dinner that evening. The Conference concludes Sunday, November 5, at noon. Please plan to arrive on Thursday, November 2.  Prospective participants may submit proposals on any topic within the broad intellectual scope of the IUS. Comparative and cross-national research is strongly encouraged. The following list is offered for consideration, but proposals are not limited to these suggestions.  **GLOBAL COALITIONS & CROSS-NATIONAL ALLIANCES**   * Cooperation and conflict between NATO and non-NATO militaries * Interface of East and West with developing nations * New economic and military alliances * The military's role(s) in democratization and nation building   **SOCIAL & PERSONNEL ISSUES**   * Social, cultural, medical, and institutional aftermaths of military conflicts * Social issues (families, quality of life, women, minorities, gays in the military, etc.) * Force restructuring (active-reserve mix, conscript v. professional, etc.) * Impact of different cultures and religions on military operations * Enlisted and reserve forces: the quest for respect   **AREA STUDIES & CROSS-NATIONAL ANALYSES OF MILITARY INSTITUTIONS**   * Economic and military impact of the Pacific Rim and Asia * Changing civil-military relations in EU and NATO enlargement * The post-modern military reconsidered People's Liberation Army (PLA) of China, and its impact on society   **CIVIL-MILITARY RELATIONS**   * Impact of military operations on recruiting, retention, patriotism, anti-war/pro-war coalitions, etc. * Military culture and/or structure of armed forces * Conscription and/or national service   **TERRORISM, COUNTER-TERRORISM & COUNTER-INSURGENCY**   * International cooperation in counter-terrorism * Conceptualizing "terrorists", "insurgents" and "freedom fighters" * Changing nature of warfare and counter-terrorism * Home fronts in warfare and counter-terrorism * Depictions of the military, insurgents, terrorists and counter-terrorism in the media * New missions and roles of military forces: Blurring of military and police roles * Legal issues relevant to the military, terrorism, and counter-terrorism * Civil-military relations after September 11, 2001, and subsequent events * Pre-emptive strikes and potential repercussions * The UN's role in fighting terror * Debating the links between US and/or other countries' foreign policies and terrorism   **POST-COLD WAR MILITARY OPERATIONS**   * Peacekeeping and Peacemaking operations * War in close quarters: Urban warfare after Mogadishu * Roles of the UN and NATO Intra-state conflict, and domestic and international military involvement   **CYBER WARFARE**   * Cyber security defense issues including protection of critical infrastructure, cyber espionage, public-private partnerships, public outreach and education, mitigation and recovery, and national resilience to cyber attack * Protection of civil liberties including privacy, monitoring, and oversight * International cyber security regime development, security cooperation, and legal prosecution * The use of cyber weapons in warfare and its consequences   **The Panels**    Most of the Conference is devoted to concurrent panels divided into simultaneous sessions each day.  Panels will be scheduled for 90 minutes each. Typically, panels have three to five panelists, a chair and a discussant or presenter. Individuals submitting single papers will be grouped by relevant subject matter into panels by the Committee. Panels are limited to no more than five (5) papers.  Proposals for entire panels (5 papers maximum) must indicate: Title, Chair, Discussant or Presenter, Authors, Affiliations, and Paper Titles. Panel proposals with more than five (5) papers will not be accepted.  **Panel Format**  We are pleased to announce that we can provide AV support for every panel organized for the conference. This will facilitate panels that adopt the usual academic “discussant model.” Following this model, authors speak first, briefly summarizing their papers. Next, a discussant offers briefer critical comments, minding the clock to leave ample time for Q&A. Those who prefer may submit panel proposals that follow the traditional IUS “presenter model.” Following this model, papers are first summarized by a presenter, next authors briefly respond to critical questions raised by the presenter’s summary, and time is left for lively discussion in Q&A. Following either model, the aim is to leave as much time as possible for audience participation.  **Proposal Dates and Deadlines**  The Program Committee must receive e-mailed proposals no later than February 15, 2017. Proposals will not be accepted after that date.  The IUS Secretariat will acknowledge receipt of each proposal via e-mail.  Both paper and panel proposals (one page maximum) must include the following information:      1.    Paper Title(s)     2.    Author(s) with address(es), phone, fax, and e-mail     3.    Brief abstract (200 words)      4.    Whether audio-visual support is needed.  A panel proposal should also include:      1.    Panel Title/Topic/Subject     2.    Names of Chair and Discussant or Presenter and their affiliations     3.    Names, e-mails, phone/fax and addresses of all panelists (5 MAXIMUM)      4.    Whether audio-visual support is needed.    Proposals must indicate audio-visual needs at this time. Audio-visual will not be added after the receipt of the proposal.  Authors may submit one or more separate and distinct papers, provided they understand that IUS Conference participation is limited to one (1) sole-authored paper and no more than two (2) appearances on the final program as a sole or co-author. The Program Committee will make decisions accordingly.  **E-Mail Proposals to the IUS Secretariat**  Please e-mail all proposals to [secretariat@iusafs.org](mailto:secretariat@iusafs.org) by February 15, 2017. Proposals will not be accepted after this date.  Final decisions regarding the program will be made by June 1, 2017. All communications on proposal acceptance or decline, the program, hotel information, etc. will be sent electronically via e-mail.  **The Program**  A Preliminary Program with Conference and hotel details will be posted on the Conference website in June.    There will be no panel time or date changes after publication of the preliminary program out of fairness to the other participants. The Committee assumes full attendance on all three days of the Conference and a paper or panel will be slotted anywhere within that timeframe.  **Conference Registration**  All participants must register for the Conference and pay the appropriate fee. Panelists in any capacity must do this to be included on the program.  This is true without regard to the length of time a participant expects to be at the Conference, or whether he or she is an IUS Fellow. The registration fee includes certain meals and other elements; this single fee cannot be adjusted or reduced if you do not avail yourself of conference features. Registration information will be available at [www.iusafs.org](http://www.iusafs.org) in June 2017.  Students are encouraged to participate actively in the Conference with discounted registration fees.    If withdrawing from the Conference after having registered, a full refund will be made up through October 1, 2017. Thereafter, 50% of the paid registration fee will be refunded.    **Graduate Student Paper Prize**    The Graduate Student Paper Award will be given to the best graduate student paper accepted for presentation.  Papers eligible for consideration must be written solely by a graduate student or in collaboration with graduate student co-authors. The winner (or winners) of the award will receive a cash prize of $1,000, to be shared equally (if applicable) among the paper authors.    The initial step for consideration is to submit a paper abstract of 200 words to the IUS office at [secretariat@iusafs.org](mailto:secretariat@iusafs.org) on or before February 15, 2017. Authors will be notified whether their paper has been accepted for conference presentation no later than June 1, 2017. To compete for the prize, completed papers must be submitted to the IUS office on or before August 1, 2017.  **Conference Papers & Conference CD**  Conference papers will be made available to participants on a password-protected website accessible only by conference attendees.  Conference participants are required to submit an electronic copy of papers for inclusion in the Conference website on or before October 1, 2017. Papers may be submitted in .pdf or .doc format. No copyright is claimed by or granted to the IUS through such CD inclusion; it remains fully with the author(s).    **Audio-Visual Equipment**  We will provide a laptop, projector, and screen in each meeting room. Those making an electronic presentation must bring it on their own flash drive. |