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CONFERENCE PROGRAM

6 February 2025

5-7pm	Registration & Reception
Sponsor Remarks	Michael Goodman, Co-Director, King's Centre for the Study of Intelligence
Venue Welcome Remarks	Col. Chris Costa, Executive Director, International Spy Museum
Conference Opening Remarks	Jeff Rogg, Incoming SIH Vice President



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8:30-10am	Panel A
10:15-11:45am	Panel B
12-1:30pm	Lunch & DNI Roundtable
1:45-3:15pm	Panel C
3:30-5:00pm	Panel D

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8:15-9:45am	Panel E
10-11:30am	Panel F
11:45am-1:15pm	Lunch & Authors' Roundtable
1:30-3pm	Panel G
3:15-4:45pm	Panel H
5pm	Closing Remarks



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Panel A: 8:30-10am

A1: Early Modern Spycraft: From Renaissance to Revolution

Chair: Andrew Hammond, The International Spy Museum

Ioanna Iordanou
*Oxford Brookes
University*

Intelligence and Espionage in the Early
Modern Mediterranean World

Rachel Midura
Virginia Tech

Trustworthy Messengers: Postal Services
and the Invention of Public Privacy

Kaylen Griles
Virginia Tech

Influential Intelligence: The European
Heritage of Culper Concealment

A2: Intelligence and Imperial Security in the Middle East 1931-45

Chair: Daniela Richterova, King's College London

Jessi Gilchrist
*King's College
London*

Enforcing Lines in the Sand: how colonial
intelligence in North Africa shaped modern
border security

Matt Hefler
*Stockholm School
of Economics*

Between Narrative and Reality:
Intelligence, Memoirs, and Franco-British
Rivalry in the Middle East, 1943-45

Steven Wagner
*Brunel University
London*

Containment Challenges: British
Intelligence and the Pursuit of Amin al-
Husayni during WWII

A3: Germany - Epicenter of the Cold War

Chair: Jana Keck, German Historical Institute

Thomas Boghardt
*U.S. Army Center of
Military History*

Gordon M. Stewart and the CIA in Cold War
Germany

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Kevin Conley Ruffner
*U.S. Government,
Retired*

Setting the Stage for the Cold War: X-2/SC
Agent Recruitment in Munich 1945-47

Grace Van Vliet
University of Toronto

Trustworthy Messengers: Postal Services
and the Invention of Public Privacy

Panel B: 10:15-11:45am

B1: Debating the Origins and Development of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence on its 20th Anniversary

Chair: Richard Immerman, Professor Emeritus, *Temple University*

Sarah-Jane Corke
*University of New
Brunswick*

Historicizing the DNI/DCIA relationship 20
Years In

James Marchio
*Professor Emeritus,
National Intelligence
University*

Origins and Evolution of the Intelligence
Community's Analytic Tradecraft
Evaluation Processes

Michael Miner
Harvard University

Organized Chaos: Integrating an American
Enterprise

B2: The History of Intelligence and Associated Satellites at The Naval Research Lab & Its Effect on Military Operations

Chair: Richard Easton, Independent Scholar

Art Collier
US Navy, Ret.

Tailoring Parcae to better provide time
critical intelligence in support of military
operations

Lee Hammarstrom
*Naval Research Lab,
Ret*

The Intelligence aspects of satellites, GPS
and the path to high- performance HDTV

Pete Wilhelm
*Naval Research Lab,
Ret*

How space technology at the Naval
Research Laboratory helped solve several
national defense problems

B3: The Intelligence Advantage: Extending Influence

Chair: Jennifer Speelman, *U.S. Merchant Marine Academy*

Michael Goodman
*King's College
London*

German Intelligence in Spain During World War II: The Reconstruction of KO-Spanien Through Unpublished Sources

Zi Yang
*Nanyang
Technological
University*

The Expansion of Chinese Communist Party's Influence in Wartime Xinjiang

Carol Choksy
*Indiana University
Bloomington*

Iranian Influence in Syria after the Assad Era

LUNCH & DNI Roundtable, 12:00-1:30pm

Moderator: Richard Immerman, Professor Emeritus, *Temple University*

Roundtable Speakers

The Honorable John D. Negroponte The Honorable J. Michael McConnell
The Honorable Michael V. Hayden The Honorable James R. Clapper

Panel C: 1:45-3:15pm**C1: The CIA in the Age of LBJ and Nixon**

Chairs: Alexis Albion, *Independent Scholar & former International Spy Museum historian*

Richard Aldrich, *University of Warwick*

Christopher Moran
& Richard Aldrich
University of Warwick

Nixon and the CIA: Pre-Presidential Relations

Ronan Mainprize
University of Warwick

Trouble in Paradise: the CIA and the Dominican Intervention, 1965

James Lockhart
*University of Texas
at El Paso*

The Benefits of a Good Rapport: Vernon Walters and the Facilitation of US-Brazilian Cooperation in Chile, 1970-1972

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C2: U.S. counterintelligence challenges and responses, 1930-1960

Chair: John Fox, *FBI*

Sara Castro
*United States Air
Force Academy*

Impacts of McCarthyism on U.S.
Intelligence About China in the Early Cold
War

Charles R. Gallagher
*Boston College &
Marquette University*

“The Documents Are Still Government Property:”
Private Retention of Top Secret & Classified
Documents by former U.S. Intelligence Officers,
1945-1947

Bradley W. Hart
*The National WWII
Museum*

Congress and Counterintelligence: The
Dies Committee, Intelligence Gathering,
and Interagency Rivalries

Hamilton Bean
*University of
Colorado Denver*

“One Ball of Wax”: Waldo Drake, the Los
Angeles Times, and Naval Intelligence in
Southern California before World War II

C3: State-sponsored assassinations in International Politics

Chairs: Luca Trenta, *Swansea University*

Kiril Avramov, *The University of Texas at Austin*

Mindy Haas
*University of
Pittsburgh*

U.S. Escalation to Assassination as
Revealed in Church Committee Report and
as Applied to the Global War on Terror

Arturo Jimenez-
Bacardi
*University of South
Florida*

Secret International Agreements and
Joint-Assassinations

Dheeraj Paramesha
Chaya
University of Hull

The Evolution of Targeted Killing Practices
in India’s Counterterrorism

Panel D: 3:30-5:00pm

**D1: The Human Element: Case Studies in World War II and Cold
War Intelligence History**

Chair: Mark Stout, Johns Hopkins University

- Mary Kathryn Barbier
Mississippi State University
- Worth the Cost? Doing Business in the World War II Intelligence Game
- Pollyanna A. Padden
Mississippi State University
- Intelligence Initiative: Mieczyslaw Slowikowski's Exceptional Contributions to Operation Torch
- Richard Damms
Mississippi State University
- Science, Technology, and the CIA: James R. Killian, Jr. and the Integration of Science and Technology into American Intelligence
- Spencer French
George Washington University
- Colonel Carter Weldon Clarke and the Shaping of U.S. Cold War Cryptology

D2: African Intelligence History

Chair: Carol Choksy, Indiana University Bloomington

- Diana Bolsinger
University of Texas at El Paso
- Is Nothing Ever Settled? Emperor Haile Selassie and U.S. Intelligence Operations at Kagneu
- Matthew Day-Lopes
York University
- The North Korean Connection: Terrorism, Sanctions, and the Lusophone World
- Jennifer Dickson
King's College London
- A Friend like no Other: US – Nigeria Intelligence Cooperation

D3: Spy Stories

Chair: Nick Reynolds, *Independent Scholar*

- Paulette Pepin
University of New Haven
- SOE's Nicolas Bodington's Loyalty Assessed: 1944 Pedlar Mission!
- Katrin Paehler
Illinois State University
- From 'Felizitas' to 'Gambit:' Vetting Hildegard Beetz for US Intelligence Work in Berlin and Beyond
- Chana Revell Kotzin
Public Historian
- Ritchie Boys and the Price of Intelligence Gathering

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Steve Usdin
*Independent
Historian*

Jacob Golos, *Stalin's Voice in America*

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Panel E: 8:15-9:45am

E1: TECHINT History

Chair: Thomas Spahr, *U.S. Army War College*

Austin Carson
*University of
Chicago*

Race Versus Space: Infrastructure,
Satellite Reconnaissance, and American
Policy in Cold War South Africa

Daniel Salisbury
*King's College
London*

Feeding Putin's War Machine: Lessons from
Soviet Science and Technology Intelligence
Efforts during the Long Cold War

Bryan Leese
*Joint Forces Staff
College, National
Defense University*

The Untold Story of Op-094 and Cold War
Intelligence

Ricky Deutsch
U.S. Air Force, Ret

Spies in the Sky: Reconnaissance
Technology during the Cold War

E2: Israeli Intelligence History

Chair: Susan Perlman, *United States Holocaust Memorial Museum*

Uri Kidron &
Or Rabinowitz
Hebrew University

Echoes in the Desert: The Soviet Gaze on
Israel's Nuclear Ambitions

Roland Popp
*Military Academy at
the ETH Zurich*

Exploitable Trophies: Captured Soviet
Weaponry and the Emergence of the U.S.-
Israeli Technical Intelligence Relationship

Irina Tsukerman
Scarab Rising, Inc.

The Soviet Union and anti-Zionism: The Original
"Axis of Resistance" Has Roots in Moscow

Yuval Peleg
Hebrew University

The Intelligence Community as a
Diplomatic Actor: Israeli Use of
Clandestine Diplomacy during 1950-1980

E3: Historical Approaches in Intelligence Analysis

Chair: Sierra Stanczyk, FBI Association of Intelligence Analysts

Robert Angevine
*Institute for Defense
Analyses*

Andrew W. Marshall, Maritime Competition
in the Pacific, and the Rise of China: The
Challenges of Forecasting Future
Developments

Jack O'Connor
*Johns Hopkins
University*

Widening the Field of View: An overview of
Environmental Intelligence in the United
States Intelligence Community

John Gentry
*Missouri State
University*

An Intellectual History of Politicization at
the CIA

Hal Friedman
Henry Ford College

O.N.I. and "John Bull": The U.S. Office of
Naval Intelligence and British Naval
Power in 1946

Panel F: 10-11am

F1: Women in Intelligence History

Chair: Stephanie Sellers, *U.S. Army War College*

Amy Sareeram
*FBI Association of
Intelligence Analysts*

Navigating Transformation: Unique
Challenges as a Female Executive in FBI
Intelligence

Amanda Ohlke
*International Spy
Museum*

The Interplay of Pop Culture and Real
Women in Intelligence at the International
Spy Museum

Cindy Storer
*Johns Hopkins
University*

The Rise of Al-Qai'da

Diana Bolsinger
*University of Texas
at El Paso*

From the Afghan Resistance to the Rise of ISIS

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F2: Culture in Intelligence History

Chair: David Robarge, *CIA, Ret.*

Deborah Bauer
*Purdue University
Fort Wayne*

From Criminal to Patriot: Shifting
Perceptions of Espionage and Intelligence
Across the Ages

Ariel Whitfield Sobel
*Brunel University
London*

Adapting Espionage: How Intelligence
History is Constructed for Stage and Screen

Danielle Stein
UCLA

Crossing Enemy Lines: Émigré Artists and
the United States Office of Strategic
Services Clandestine, Transnational
Broadcasts

Brian Crim
*University of
Lynchburg*

War of Lies”: John le Carré, Absolute
Friends (2003), and the War on Terror

F3: Eastern European Intelligence History

Chair: Drew Brozovich, *Southern Methodist University*

Magda Long
*King's College
London*

“Na Ljutu Ranu, Ljutu Travu” – Fighting Fire
with Fire: Yugoslavia’s Security Services’
“Special Wars”

Stephen Long
*Xi’an Jiaotong-
Liverpool University*

Decentering Anglo-American Narratives on
Operation BGFriend/Valuable: Yugoslavia’s
Influence on the Aims, Methods and Outcomes
of Western Covert Action in Albania

Corina Snitar
*University of
Glasgow*

With Yugoslav political emigrants in Romania
against Tito

Daniela Richterova
*King's College
London*

Watching the Jackals: Prague’s Covert Liaisons
with Cold War Terrorists and Revolutionaries

LUNCH & Authors’ Roundtable, 11:45–1:15pm

Moderator: Andrew Hammond, *International Spy Museum*

Roundtable Speakers

Nicholas Reynolds

Douglas London

Alexander Rose

Ellen Nakashima

Panel G: 1:30–3:00pm

G1: Intelligence Analysis during World War II and the Cold War

Chair: Michael Goodman, *King's College London*

Peter Grace
University of Otago

Anticipating the Bear: Discerning Soviet Intentions and Capabilities (1942-53)

Melissa Graves
The Citadel

The Intellectual History of American Intelligence Analysis

Mark Stout
Johns Hopkins University

MC 161: NATO's Annual Strategic Intelligence Estimate during the Cold War

Nick Miller
University of Edinburgh

The CIA's analysis into Mao Zedong's succession and the Cultural Revolution

G2: Russian Intelligence History

Chair: Jennifer Dickson, *King's College London*

Darya Khandoga
King's College London

Russia's Legacy of Deception: A Strategic Culture Approach to Covert Warfare and Influence Operations from Tsarist Russia to Contemporary Strategies

Kevin Riehle
Brunel University London

The Mysterious Missing Illegals: What Happened to the GRU Illegals Program?

Elena Grossfeld
King's College London

The Propaganda Paradox: Did the KGB Believe Its Own Myths?

Filip Kovacevic
University of San Francisco

Manuscripts Don't Burn: Resurrecting the Titles from the Destroyed Special Library of the KGB's Training School No. 303

G3: Intelligence in the High Cold War

Chair: John Humphrey, *FBI Association of Intelligence Analysts*

Matteo Giurco
Escuela Española de Historia y Arqueología en Roma/EEHAR-CSCI

From the ashes of defeat. The resurrection of the Italian secret service after the Second World War

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Daniel Kimmage
Cornell University

New Contacts, New Conflict: What the Post-World War Two Partnership between the U.S. Government and Ukrainian Nationalists Reveals about the Origins of the Cold War

Marion Foster
The University of Texas at Austin

Between National Security and Shadows of the Past: U.S. Intelligence Institution Building in Greece in the 1950s

Alex O'Neill
Independent Scholar

"Overt Spies": The Espionage Functions of the U.S. Defense Attaché Offices at Embassy Moscow, 1951-1954

Panel H: 3:15-4:45pm

H1: Repatriation, International Law, & Intelligence Collection in the Mid-Twentieth Century

Chair: Derek Mallett, U.S. Army Command and General Staff College

Gregory Kupsky
Historian, Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency

The Intelligence Implications of Civilian Exchanges in the Pacific Theater of World War II

Alex Branger
Independent Scholar

From Ritchie Boy to Cold Warrior: My Grandfather's WWII Service as an Interrogator of Prisoners of War and His Early Postwar Intelligence Work in Germany

Jean-Michel Turcotte
Department of National Defence, Canada

Observing Communists during Peacekeeping Missions: Canadian Military, Intelligence and the ICSC in Vietnam (1954-1964)

Daniel Asen
Rutgers University-Newark

Was Frank Yee a Secret Agent? Untangling the Public and Clandestine Commitments of a Nationalist Police Expert

H2: Latin American Intelligence History

Chair: Danielle Snyder, *FBI Association of Intelligence Analysts*

Joanisval Brito Gonçalves
Brazilian Federal Senate

The Emperor, the Revolutionary and the Spy: A Daring Plan to Rescue Napoleon for a Brazilian Empire

Wendi Kavanaugh
*The University of
Texas at Dallas*

Diving Deeper into FBI Totalitarian Activities Files
Using Machine Learning

Robert Anthony
Waters, Jr.
*Ohio Northern
University*

Cold War Intelligence Operations in British
Guiana

Luca Trenta
Swansea University

Getting away with murder? The CIA in
Bolivia and the hunt for Che Guevara

H3: Early Career Scholar Workshop

Moderator: Suzanne Freeman, *Massachusetts Institute of
Technology*

We invite early career scholars, former practitioners, and
established scholars to meet and discuss writing intelligence
history, careers in intelligence history, and other ideas and
opportunities!

Closing Remarks, 4:50-5pm

Featuring Incoming SIH President Kathryn Barbier

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