Dear colleagues,

It’s that time of year again when the CIDP office revs in preparation for the Kingston Conference in International Security, which will be held June 11-13, 2018.

The registration portal has now been launched and I am really excited to once again team up with the US Army War College’s Strategic Studies Institute, the Canadian Army Doctrine and Training Centre and the NATO Defense College for this important event. You can find all details on this year’s conference, The Return of Deterrence: Credibility and Capabilities in a New Era on our website: http://www.queensu.ca/kcis/.

On the research front, I’m pleased to release our most recent CIDP Policy Brief, “NATO’s Gender Turn: From Policies to Operations”, which features some findings from the DND and NATO-sponsored workshop held at Herstmonceux Castle in England this past Fall.

I hope to see you soon, during our ongoing speaker series events!

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Recent Publications


Congratulations

Women in Defence and Security (WiDS) was established in 2005 to promote and support the advancement of women in careers related to Canadian defence and security. As part of this mandate, WiDS offers a limited number of scholarships to exceptional graduate and post-graduate students.

We are delighted that Meaghan Shoemaker is the recipient of the 2018 WiDS Memorial Scholarship and Lindsay Coombs the recipient of the 2018-2019 WiDS-CGAI Fellowship. This year the WiDS Memorial Scholarship honours Special Constable Nancy Puttkemery and will support Meaghan’s research on women’s participation in NATO and veteran transition to civilian life in Ontario. The WiDS-CGAI Fellowship, which represents a partnership between WiDS and the Canadian Global Affairs Institute, will support Lindsay’s research on military innovation in policy and training regarding child soldiers. Lindsay and Meaghan are both in the Political Studies PhD programme at Queen’s and are CIDP Graduate Research Fellows.

In addition, Dr. Christian Leuprecht has been named to the Class of 1965 Professorship in Leadership at the Royal Military College for a period of 3 years, beginning 1 July 2018.
Calendar of Events

IDP Speakers Series:
6 Mar: Richard Fadden
Acknowledging and Addressing Canada’s 21st Century National Security Threats
22 Mar: Jeffrey Rice
Why Organizations Fight: Wars of Choice in an Age of Instability
27 Mar: Danny Perkins
3 Apr: LTC T Allison, LCol P O’Halloran, LtCol A Vogler
Research presentation

Lectures, Workshops, and Conferences
CSDD/CIDP/IIGR Panel Event:
Gender Matters in Political Science
1 March 2018, Ellis Hall, Queen’s University

Kingston IHL Conference:
Vulnerabilities in Armed Conflict: exploring child soldiers and sex as a weapon of war
9 March 2018, Robert Sutherland Hall, Queen’s University

The Gender Dimension of Veteran Transition 2018:
Workshop & Mentorship Program-Professional Development Day
11-12 May 2018, Robert Sutherland Hall, Queen’s University

Kingston Conference on International Security 2018:
The Return of Deterrence: Credibility and Capabilities in a New Era
11-13 June 2018, Holiday Inn Kingston Waterfront

CIDP Welcomes New Fellows
The CIDP is delighted to welcome four new fellows:
Dr. Grace Jaramillo
Dr. James McKay
Dr. Asa McKercher
Robert Williams

Event Spotlight
16 Days of Activism Against Gender Based Violence Campaign
The 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Based Violence is a global campaign spearheaded by Rutgers University and, in Canada, this effort has been led by Women in International Security Canada since 2014. This year’s theme, “From Peace in the Home to Peace in the World: Make Education Safe for All”, highlighted the dire situation for millions of young women and men whose universal human right to education is impacted or cut short due to violence, lack of resources, and discrimination.

From November 25th to December 10th a record-breaking total of 54 events, involving 113 different organizations, were held across Canada to raise awareness at the local, national and international levels about the challenges affecting those who experience gender-based violence. Information on all of these events can be seen on the WIIS Canada website and the final outcome report will be released in the coming weeks. This year’s Steering Committee was encouraged by the 2017 results and envisions even further growth, building new partnerships and widening the event’s reach across Canada in the future.

Event Details
Date: 11 – 12 May 2018
Location: Robert Sutherland Hall, Room 448
Queen’s University

The Gender Dimension of Veteran Transition 2018: Workshop and Mentorship Program-Professional Development Day
The CIDP, in partnership with the Canadian Institute for Military and Veteran Health Research, is pleased to present the second annual GDVT workshop.

The first day of the workshop comprises panel presentations, with select papers to be developed into a Special Edition with the Journal for Military, Veteran and Family Health. The second day is designed to help women veterans and women in the process of transitioning to civilian life and features networking opportunities with multiple employers, seminars, and the chance to engage in a mentorship program.

For full details and to register or submit a paper, please visit the CIDP website.

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