THE ROLE OF SOF IN AN ERA OF GREAT POWER COMPETITION

8-9 MARCH 2019
MONTEREY, CALIFORNIA
AGENDA

Friday, March 8, 2019

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<td>Introduction to CTX Journal and Global ECCO Simulations: Libby Skinner</td>
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<td>Plenary Session: Getting Russia Wrong and the Consequences in an Era of Great Power Competition—Nikolas Gvosdev</td>
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1015  | Panel 1B: Roundtable: The Role of SOF in Great Power Competition Chair: Will Irwin Participants: Christopher Marsh, Charlie Black, Robert Jones, Nikolas Gvosdev, Jeff Goble |

1200  | Lunch (no host) |


1300  | Panel 2B: Interventions, SFA, and Civil War Chair: Misha Blocksome Martijn Kitzen and Rick Breekveldt—Revisioning From The Ground Up: Innovating Thinking On The Role Of Local Dynamics In International Interventions Sandor Fabian—The Effects of Military Human Capital on Civil War Duration and Outcome Jon Czarnecki—Between the Goalposts of War and Peace: Characteristics and Capabilities Greg Reilly—SFAbs and SOF: The Changing Role of Security Force Assistance Discussant: Dave Ellis |


1700  | Panel 3B: Global ECCO (NPS) Simulation Concluding remarks to Day 1 |

1730  | No-host Social at Knuckles Sports Bar Lobby Level, Hyatt Regency Monterey |
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| 0830  | Panel 4A: Islamic Insurgency and the Dutch Colonial Aceh War (1873-c. 1913)  
Chair: Montgomery McFate  
Montgomery McFate—Christiaan Snouck Hurgronje as Military Anthropologist  
Thijs Brocades Zaalberg—Attributing Success In Irregular Warfare: Surgical Force Or Exemplary Force As Decisive Factors In The Aceh War, 1873-1913  
Martijn Kitzen—Short-Term Solution, Long Term-Liability? A Case Study Of Co-Option Of Local Power-Holders During The Dutch Colonial Aceh War (1873-C. 1913)  
Discussant: Misha Blocksome |
| 1015  | Panel 5A: Roundtable: The Future of Special Operations and the Synchronization of Intelligence  
Chair: Robert Tomlinson  
Participants: Kevin Rousseau, John Tullius, Michael McMahon, Ted Reynolds |
| 1200  | Lunch (no host) |
| 1300  | Panel 6A: IO, PolWar, and Proxies in the 21st Century  
Chair: Kevin Rousseau  
Andy Maher—Information Age Proxy Warfare  
Steve Lewis—SOF’s Role in Political Warfare  
Discussant: Steve Bolton |
| 1500  | Panel 6B: SOF Education Panel  
Chair: Mike Richardson  
Daniel Fiack, Philip Riglick, and Leo Blanken—Designing Innovation for SOF: The Role of Education  
Pete McCabe—The State of SOF Education in Era of Great Power Competition  
Bradley Rhinelander—The Special Operations Polymath: Education as a Capability in an Era of Complexity and Competition  
Discussants: James Kiras and Miriam Wharton |
| 1700  | Panel 8A: Influence, Resistance, and Countering the Russian Threat  
Chair: Christopher Marsh  
Jonathan Fagins—How can USSOF be Utilized to Thwart Russian Nuclear Strategic Objectives?  
Misha Blocksome—Russian Approaches to Resistance Operations  
Jonathan Munson—A Covert Communications Concept for the Resistance in Megacities  
Jim Chen and Gregory Clay—Attribution in Information Operations  
Discussant: Nikolas Gvosdev |
| 1800  | Panel 8B: Global ECCO (NPS) Simulation  
Concluding Remarks |
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• **Panel A:** Cypress Rooms I, II, III
• **Panel B:** Big Sur Rooms II, III
• **Publications:** Big Sur Room I
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