



# 2022 Security Cooperation Conference

Hosted by the Defense Security Cooperation University and The George Washington University



## Security Cooperation in a New Era

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at The George Washington University, City View, 1957 E St NW, Washington, DC 20052

The global security cooperation environment for the United States is increasingly complex and multi-faceted. The end of the war in Afghanistan, the resurgence of state-on-state warfare in Ukraine, and the increasing threat of strategic competitors compel the Department of Defense (DoD) to rethink how the United States cooperates with allies and partners to deter, deny, or defeat threats to national security. The 2022 U.S. National Defense Strategy (NDS) sets out how DoD will contribute to advancing and safeguarding vital U.S. national interests – protecting the American people, expanding America’s prosperity, and realizing and defending our democratic values – through integrated deterrence, campaigning, and actions that build enduring advantages for the future Joint Force. The nation’s network of alliances and partnerships is arguably more important now than it has ever been, with increased competition in new domains (cyber and space), dangerous transboundary threats, novel emerging technologies, and a rise in authoritarianism around the world. This conference explores the extent to which these changes are era-defining, and the implications this has for security cooperation.

- 0800 Sign-in and continental breakfast
- 0830 – 0900 Welcome and opening remarks  
**Alyssa Ayres**  
*Dean, Elliott School of International Affairs, The George Washington University*  
**Celeste Gventer**  
*President, Defense Security Cooperation University*
- 0900 – 1000 Keynote Address with Q&A  
**Mara Karlin**  
*Assistant Secretary of Defense for Strategy, Plans, and Capabilities*
- 1000 Break
- 1015 – 1130 Panel 1: The new global security environment and its implications for SC
  - *Michael Mazarr, RAND Corporation*
  - *Charles Glaser, George Washington University*
  - *Stephen Tankel, Department of State*
  - *Renanah Joyce, Brandeis University*
  - *Eric Ridge, Department of Defense (invited)*
- 1130 – 1230 No-Host Lunch Break
- 1230 – 1300 Special Plenary:  
**Dafna Rand**  
*Director of Foreign Assistance, U.S. Department of State*
- 1300 – 1430 Panel 2: Past SC experience: What works, what doesn’t, and how does it matter?
  - *Patrick Nevins, House Armed Services Committee*
  - *Marc Grinberg, Watson Institute, Brown University*
  - *Alan Gorowitz, Defense Security Cooperation Agency*
  - *Alexander Downes, The George Washington University*
  - *Jennifer Moroney, RAND Corporation*

- 1430 – 1500            Perspectives on the state of security cooperation today  
**James Hursch**  
*Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency*
- 1500                    Break
- 1515 – 1645            Panel 3: The SC enterprise: How do we need to adapt?
- *Mark Morehouse, House Armed Services Committee (invited)*
  - *Rachel Tecott, Naval War College*
  - *Joanna Spear, George Washington University*
  - *Stanley L. Brown, Department of State*
  - *Michelle Strucke, Department of Defense (invited)*
- 1645 – 1700            Next Steps  
**Celeste Gventer**  
*President, Defense Security Cooperation University*
- 1700                    Adjourn

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