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Attendee List

Participants



Barbara Lauer

Senior Training Adviser, Center of Excellence on Democracy, Human Rights and Governance, Bureau for Democracy, Conflict and Humanitarian Assistance, USAID

Barb Lauer is an adaptive and innovative leader, team builder, trainer, and facilitator. She has over two decades of senior leadership experience in international governance and peace building programs for government, non-profit, corporate and advocacy organizations.

Ms. Lauer has managed, implemented, and evaluated programs that encourage the use of democratic principles prior to, during, and immediately after political crisis. Critical aspects of these programs have been to encourage meaningful ties between governments and their constituents, engage and strengthen civil society organizations, magnify the benefits of negotiated peace processes, re-establish norms and conditions after natural or human-derived disasters, and reintegrate and protect the rights vulnerable populations. She is also a trainer and facilitator; conducting workshops, strategic program sessions, and team building events for government, corporate, and program staff in field and headquarters offices.

Ms. Lauer has senior-level international programming experience in 24 locations including Afghanistan, Albania, Bosnia, Croatia, Eritrea, Ghana, Haiti, Indonesia, Kenya, Liberia, Montenegro, Myanmar/Burma, Pakistan, Russia, Rwanda, Serbia, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Timor-Leste, Tunisia, Turkey and Ukraine.



Mark Goldenbaum

Human Rights Advisor, USAID

Mark Goldenbaum is a Human Rights Advisor with the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID). His primary role focuses on providing technical support to USAID field missions on designing and implementing broad-based human rights assistance programs, particularly on protecting civil and political rights. Mark's has worked on a number of democracy, human rights and governance-related program designs and needs assessments, and has significant experience on specific topics such as atrocities prevention, conflict mitigation, independent media, and civil society development. From 2011-2014, Mark coordinated USAID's participation in a whole of government effort to strengthen the USG's ability to prevent and respond to mass atrocities, staffed USAID's Principal on the Atrocities Prevention Board, and provided technical support to USAID Missions serving in countries at risk for mass atrocities. Prior to USAID, Mark worked for two years with Internews Network (DC-based, but supporting field programs in the former Soviet Union) and five years in Central Asia's Ferghana Valley with Mercy Corps (in Tajikistan, Uzbekistan and Kyrgyzstan). Mark was a Peace Corps Volunteer in Kazakhstan. He holds a Master's of Arts in International Relations from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts University and a Bachelor's degree in English from the University of Texas, Austin.



Anthony Lemma

District Director, Office of Congresswoman Grace Meng (NY-06), U.S. House of Representatives

Anthony Lemma was born and raised in Queens, New York and is serving his fifteenth year in government and politics, and his thirteenth year in the United States House of Representatives. Anthony began his career in public service and political campaigns in 2004 with Congressman Sherwood Boehlert in Central New York State. Since then, he has served as a Legislative Aide to New York State Senator Michael Balboni on Long Island, and as Executive Assistant to his political mentor, Congressman Gary L. Ackerman whose district traversed both Queens and Nassau Counties.

Anthony currently serves as District Director to Congresswoman Grace Meng (NY-6), the first Asian-American Member of Congress from New York State and Vice Chair of the Democratic National Committee. In this role, Anthony is responsible for overseeing all elements of the Congresswoman's district office operation in the most culturally diverse district in the United States.

Anthony oversees all aspects of Grace For New York, the Congresswoman's re-election campaign committee. This includes political messaging, strategy, and fundraising. Additionally, Anthony is proud to have played a key role in the formation of At the Table!, a political action committee established by Congresswoman Meng to support women and minority candidates to run for federal office, hold educational events, and organize political activities.

Anthony is married and the proud father of two young boys, ages 6 and 1.



Christopher Quintyne

Legislative Counsel, Office of Congressman Hakeem Jeffries (NY-08), U.S. House of Representatives

Chris serves as Legislative Counsel in the office of Congressman Hakeem Jeffries (NY-8), where he handles budget, labor and housing issues. Prior to this role, Chris served as Associate Director of Legislative Affairs for the Mayor of DC. He also worked in local government managing the day to day operations of two municipalities in Maryland. Chris holds a law degree and master's of public administration degree from Southern University Law Center in Baton Rouge, Louisiana and a bachelors degree from American University in Washington, DC.



Patricia Timmons-Goodson

Associate Justice (Retired), Supreme Court of North Carolina; Vice Chair, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights

President Barack Obama appointed Patricia Timmons-Goodson to the United States Commission on Civil Rights in July 2014.

Patricia Timmons-Goodson was most recently an Associate Justice on the Supreme Court of North Carolina from 2006 to 2012. She served as an Associate Judge on the North Carolina Court of Appeals from 1997 to 2005 and a District Court Judge of the Twelfth Judicial District of North Carolina from 1984 to 1997. The judicial selection system employed by North Carolina required her to stand before the voters in two statewide elections and three district elections during her judicial career. The twenty-eight year tenure on the bench was marked by distinguished work on each of the three courts. Her years of judicial service to the people of North Carolina have been recognized with awards such as the Order of the Long Leaf Pine, Liberty Bell, Appellate Judge of the Year, three honorary degrees, and induction into the North Carolina Women's Hall of Fame.

Justice Timmons-Goodson began her career as a District Manager of the United States Census Bureau in the Department of Commerce from 1979 to 1980. Her professional quest for justice began as an assistant prosecutor and continued as a legal services lawyer in Fayetteville, North Carolina.

Justice Timmons-Goodson is an active member of the American Bar Association, where she serves on the Editorial Board of the ABA Journal and the ABA Law School Accreditation Committee. She continues to invest her energies in North Carolina by serving on the Guilford College Board of Trustees, The Fayetteville Chapter of Links, Incorporated and the Board of Directors of the North Carolina Civil War Center. Justice Timmons-Goodson received her B.A. and J.D. from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and an L.L.M. from Duke University Law School.



Elsa Paredes

Staff Operations Specialist, FBI International Human Rights Unit - Americas Team

Elsa Paredes is a tactical analyst with the FBI's International Human Rights Unit. She was born and raised in Virginia to Guatemalan parents. Elsa graduated from St. John's University in 2009 with a B.S. in Criminal Justice, and from George Mason University in 2017 with a M.A. in International Security. Previous to joining the FBI, Elsa interned at the Manhattan's District Attorney's Office as a Spanish Interpreter; NYC Buildings as an Investigative Intern; Prince William Regional Adult Detention Center as a Re-Entry Case Manager; and at The Office of National Drug Control Policy as a Research Analyst. She also worked as a legal assistant after graduating from St. John's University.



Ioli Filmeridis

Peacebuilding and Conflict Advisor, USAID

Ioli Filmeridis is a Peacebuilding and Conflict advisor at USAID's Office of Conflict Mitigation and Management. In this role she leads the office's technical support and training to USAID Asia field Missions on conflict prevention, social cohesion and reconciliation issues. Prior to CMM, Ioli served as a USAID program officer in Mongolia and Zimbabwe, contributing to democracy rights and governance programs, economic growth and food for peace initiatives, developing strategy, contingency plans and program design while also integrating collaboration, learning and adaptive management across the Mission portfolios. She has also worked with the Democracy, Conflict and Humanitarian Bureau's Crisis and Opening Action Coordination Team to enhance communication, strategic vision and planning across offices for increasingly unstable and fragile countries. It was in this role covering countries in incipient and ongoing crisis, that Ioli became interested in atrocity prevention. In a time before USAID, Ioli worked for The Asia Foundation as the Operations Manager for the Books for Asia program, covering partner engagement, strategic planning and logistical and supply management for all of the Foundation's country offices. Most importantly, she also learned to drive a fork lift.

In her work with the Asia Pacific Small Islander Business Program, Ioli supported business development and entrepreneurship among immigrant communities in the greater Los Angeles area and was Director of the Women's Business Program. Ioli is a graduate of New York University and George Washington University where she received diplomas in International Development Policy and Chinese Studies.



Sonia Desai

Program Officer, Transitional Justice Team, Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor, Office of Global Programs, State Department

Sonia Desai serves as a Program Officer in DRL's transitional justice programming team, where she develops and manages a range of integrated initiatives that utilize restorative and retributive approaches to justice and accountability for gross human rights violations. Sonia oversees transitional justice programs in both conflict and post-conflict states in the Middle East and North Africa, South and Central Asia, and Western Hemisphere regions. Sonia also coordinates the bureau's atrocities prevention programming, including DRL's congressional earmark. Prior to working at the State Department, Sonia served as a Legislative Counsel at the District of Columbia Council as well as a Legal Fellow at the Public International Law and Policy Group. She also served as a Peace Corps Volunteer in Botswana. Sonia has a Bachelor of Arts degree in International Studies and Political Science from the University of Miami and a Juris Doctor degree from The George Washington University Law School.



Adam V. Loiacono

Deputy Principal Legal Advisor for Enforcement and Litigation, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Department of Homeland Security

Adam V. Loiacono serves as the Deputy Principal Legal Advisor for Enforcement and Litigation for the Office of the Principal Legal Advisor (OPLA) of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE).

In this role, Mr. Loiacono oversees the work of approximately 100 attorneys and support personnel across four OPLA headquarters divisions – the District Court Litigation Division, Enforcement and Removal Operations Law Division, Homeland Security Investigations Law Division, and Immigration Law and Practice Division – responsible for advising Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO), Homeland Security Investigations, Office of Professional Responsibility, and ICE leadership and personnel on a range of matters including the agency’s criminal, customs, and immigration law enforcement authorities. He is also responsible for formulating legal strategies and developing ICE’s position in national security, human rights, and public safety matters pending before the nation’s immigration courts and the Board of Immigration Appeals, and coordinating with the Department of Justice to address federal court litigation concerning ICE equities.

Prior to assuming this position, Mr. Loiacono served in various positions within DHS and the private sector. Following a successful private practice career in immigration law, he joined ICE as an Assistant Chief Counsel in New York City. He then became an Attorney Advisor with the DHS Office of the General Counsel, where he advised DHS leadership on high-profile immigration enforcement matters affecting ICE, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services. In 2013, Mr. Loiacono returned to ICE to serve as the Chief of OPLA’s Detention and Removal Law Section, and in July 2014, he was promoted to Chief of OPLA’s Enforcement and Removal Operations Law Division. In these roles, he served as a vital legal advisor to ERO on some of the most complex and challenging issues facing ICE, including detainers, detention authorities, family detention, and repatriation. He has also taught immigration law as an adjunct professor of law at the Antonin Scalia Law School at George Mason University.

Mr. Loiacono holds a Bachelor of Arts from Binghamton University, a Juris Doctor from Brooklyn Law School, and a Master of Laws from American University, Washington College of Law. He is also a member of the Senior Executive Service.



Dr. Ann Schneider

Historian, Human Rights Law Section, Homeland Security Investigations Law Division, Office of the Principal Legal Advisor, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, U.S. Department of Homeland Security

Dr. Ann Schneider is the historian of Latin America for the Human Rights Violators and War Crimes Center in U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement. She develops and supports prosecutions in the United States of individuals implicated in torture, extrajudicial killing, forced disappearances, and other grave human rights violations committed in Latin America. Dr. Schneider is a specialist on the Cold-War era dictatorships and dirty wars in the region, including the human rights violations committed and the forms of justice and reckoning that followed. She has a master’s degree in Latin American Studies and a doctorate in History.



Jeffrey Sizemore

Military Advisor, Atrocity Prevention Lead, Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor, Office of Security and Human Rights, State Department

Jeff Sizemore has served for over 20 years in the United States Navy as a Surface Warfare Officer. He is currently serving as an exchange officer, filling a joint billet at the State Department. He is assigned to the Office of Security and Human Rights, and leads his bureau's Atrocity Prevention efforts. Additionally, he manages the munitions vetting portfolio for the East Asia Pacific, South and Central Asia, and Western Hemisphere regions, and oversees the Lethal Autonomous Weapons, and Corruption Prevention portfolios. Prior to reporting to the State Department, CDR Sizemore has held numerous at sea billets on ships and staffs in the Pacific and Central Command areas of responsibility as well serving as the Executive Officer for Surface Warfare Officer Department Head School in Newport, Rhode Island. CDR Sizemore received a bachelor's degree in American Studies from the George Washington University in 2001 via the Reserve Officers' Training Corps program and a master's degree in National Security and Strategic Studies from the Naval War College in 2012.

Michael Morin

Foreign Affairs Research Officer, Office of the Geographer and Global Issues, Bureau of Intelligence and Research, State Department

Mr. Morin is a Foreign Affairs Research Officer in the Office of the Geographer and Global Issues at the United States Department of State. For almost 20 years, his portfolio has focused on international justice and accountability mechanisms. During that time, he has worked with and provided support to every U.S. Ambassador-at-Large for War Crimes Issues and their staff members. His previous portfolios have included UN peacekeeping operations and global arms trade issues. He is also the Deputy Division Chief for his office, providing management support to the Division Chief and Office Director, and overseeing the intern program for the office. He also worked on a temporary assignment at the U.S. embassy in Sarajevo where he focused on issues regarding Bosnia's domestic war crimes investigations and prosecutions. He attended the Montreal Institute for Genocide Prevention's session on preventing mass atrocities, the Irish Centre for Human Rights' ICC Summer School, and the American University's Academy on Human Rights and Humanitarian Law summer session on IHL and international justice. He has studied French, Spanish, Croatian/Bosnian, and German. He holds a master's degree in Security Policy Studies from the George Washington University and an undergraduate degree in International Affairs from the University of Maine at Orono.



Kyle L. Roberts

Supervisory Special Agent, FBI Headquarters, Civil Rights Unit

Mr. Roberts began his career with the FBI in 2010 and after the FBI Academy was assigned as a Special Agent (SA) to the New Orleans Division, Shreveport Resident Agency. While in the New Orleans office, he was assigned to work criminal matters in the areas of civil rights, white collar crime, and public corruption. In 2015, he was transferred to the Phoenix Division and assigned to work civil rights and public corruption matters.

In 2018, Mr. Roberts was promoted to Supervisory Special Agent (SSA) in the Civil Rights Unit at FBI Headquarters in Washington, DC. In this capacity, he was responsible for the program management and oversight of various FBI field offices across the United States.

Prior to his appointment in the FBI, he served as a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) for privately held companies and a CPA firm.



Joseph Jensen

Unit Chief, FBI Headquarters Civil Rights Unit

Joseph Jensen entered on duty as a Special Agent (SA) with the FBI in 2010. His first assignment was to the Detroit Field Office where he investigated organized crime and major thefts. SA Jensen was transferred to the public corruption squad investigating the corruption of state and local officials, law enforcement corruption, human trafficking and hate crimes. SA Jensen was also the International Human Rights Coordinator.

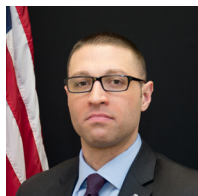
In 2016 SA Jensen was certified as a member of the Cellular Analysis Survey Team where he regularly testified as an expert on cell phone record analysis, and assisted with tracking fugitives and finding missing children.

In 2018 SA Jensen was promoted to Supervisory Special Agent (SSA) in the Public Corruption Unit at FBI Headquarters, where he focused on program management and combating foreign influence.

In 2019 SSA Jensen was promoted to Unit Chief (UC) of the Civil Rights Unit focusing on hate crimes, color of law violations and FACE Act violations.

During UC Jensen's career he has been a member of the Evidence Response Team and a tactical medic on the Special Weapons and Tactics Team. UC Jensen is a member of the Army Reserves.

UC Jensen is married with two children.



Gregory Heeb

Supervisory Special Agent, Pittsburgh Division, FBI Civil Rights Unit

Supervisory Special Agent (SSA) Gregory A. Heeb is currently assigned to the Federal Bureau of Investigation's (FBI) Pittsburgh Division, where he supervises a squad of special agents and professional staff members responsible for investigating civil rights crimes, public corruption, and complex financial crimes. Prior to serving as a squad supervisor, SSA Heeb served as the Pittsburgh Division's Chief Division Counsel (CDC), where he provided comprehensive legal advice to FBI personnel on a wide array of investigative and administrative matters. In addition, as the chief legal counsel, SSA Heeb led the Division's Asset Forfeiture Unit. Prior to serving as the CDC, SSA Heeb was assigned to the Pittsburgh Division's Joint Terrorism Task Force (JTTF), where he investigated domestic terrorism and transportation-related criminal matters. During his time on the JTTF, SSA Heeb also served as the Division's Special Events Coordinator, overseeing the FBI's role in supporting special events throughout Western Pennsylvania and West Virginia.

SSA Heeb entered on duty with the FBI in September 2008. Prior to joining the FBI, SSA Heeb worked as an Assistant Corporation Counsel in the Law Department for the City of Buffalo, New York. In that capacity, SSA Heeb prosecuted criminal cases in Buffalo City Court; handled various civil matters in New York State Supreme Court, as well as the New York State Appellate Division; and provided advice and counsel on a variety of matters to the mayor, council members, and other city officials. SSA Heeb earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science and Urban Studies from the Canisius College of Buffalo, New York and his Juris Doctor from the State University of New York at Buffalo School of Law.



Vanya Voivedich

Supervisory Special Agent, FBI International Human Rights Unit

Vanya Voivedich was born in the former Yugoslavia. The war in Bosnia and Herzegovina forced him and his family to flee to the United States in the late 1990's. Vanya holds a Bachelor of Arts in International Studies with a Minor in Business Administration, and a Master of Science in Mental Health Counseling. Before his Government employment he worked for a Youth Services program where he provided counseling to teens, young adults, and families in crisis.

Vanya has been with the FBI for the past 15 years as a Special Agent. He worked variety of violations in his career, from National Security matters to Transnational Organized Crime. Currently Vanya is at the FBI Headquarters in Washington, DC where he is working as a Supervisory Special Agent at the International Human Rights Unit. He program manages cases involving Human Rights Violations and War Crimes. His primary focus is on the Eurasian region.



Dragana Glumac

Intelligence Analyst, FBI International Human Rights Unit

Ms. Glumac has started in her position at IHRU in June of this year. In 2018, Ms. Glumac was one of the two FBI employees selected to attend the National Intelligence University (NIU) to obtain a master's degree in Strategic Intelligence with a concentration on leadership and management.

Prior to the NIU, Ms. Glumac was assigned to the FBI's Counterterrorism Division at the Headquarters (Washington D.C.) where she worked as a Program Manager covering Continental USA (CONUS) International Terrorism. As a Program Manager, she provided direct support and operational guidance to the field offices, with responsibility for key components in case development and program management.

Before getting experience in the Counterterrorism Division, she was embedded on an Eurasian Organized Criminal Squad at the FBI's Chicago Field Office. Ms. Glumac started her career with the FBI as a Contact Linguist. Being a native speaker of Serbian, Bosnian and Croatian gave her an opportunity to assist on numerous high-profile FBI investigations.



Sandra Ung

Special Assistant to Congresswoman Grace Meng

Sandra Ung is currently serving as Special Assistant to Congresswoman Grace Meng (D-Queens). She also works on the Congresswoman's re-election campaign committee and is the Executive Director of At the Table PAC, founded by Congresswoman Meng. At the Table PAC is especially near and dear to Sandra, as its mission is to elect more women and individuals from traditionally underserved communities to federal office. Sandra has been a resident of Flushing, Queens for more than 30 years and serves her community as the New York State Committeewoman for Assembly District 40. She also has been serving on the on the Board of Managers of Flushing YMCA for the past 6 years.

Sandra earned her J.D. from Columbia Law School in 2001. Sandra has dedicated her life to serving her community. Prior to working for Congresswoman Meng, her public service consisted of being the Special Assistant to the NYS Commissioner on Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation, a Legislative Assistant to former New York City Comptrollers William C. Thompson, Jr., and John C. Liu, the Chief of Staff to former New York State Assemblyman Jimmy K. Meng, and a staff attorney for Sanctuary For Families, a not-for-profit organization which assists domestic violence victims. Sandra also worked as an associate at Dorsey & Whitney, LLP.

Born in Cambodia and having lived in Taiwan, her family came to New York City when she was seven years old and has resided in Flushing since she was ten. Sandra is a stalwart community advocate and the primary caretaker of her parents.

Observer



Kelsey Paul Shantz

Associate Program Officer, Mass Violence and Atrocities, The Stanley Foundation

Kelsey Paul Shantz is an Associate Program Officer for the Stanley Foundation, where she focuses on strengthening societal resilience to mass violence and atrocities through inclusive, multilateral, and multi-stakeholder policy development and action. Her current work includes establishing, supporting, and strengthening prevention-focused regional networks and advocating for evidence-based investments in societal resilience. Prior to joining the foundation, she was a researcher and policy analyst on economic governance and security for think tanks in Canada, the United States, and the Netherlands. She holds a master of arts degree in international relations from the Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs at Syracuse University, a master of public policy degree from the Hertie School of Governance in Berlin, Germany, and a bachelor of arts degree in international studies from the University of Evansville.

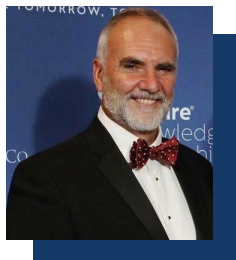
Fellows-in-Residence



Vahidin Omanovic

Co-Founder and Co-Director, Center for Peacebuilding, Bosnia & Herzegovina

Mr. Omanovic is a professional trainer in nonviolent communication and conflict resolution. Before founding the Center for Peacebuilding in 2004, Mr. Omanovic received a Master's Degree at the School for International Training (SIT) in Brattleboro, Vermont in International Relations with a concentration in Conflict Transformation. Additionally, Mr. Omanovic served as a teaching assistant in SIT's Conflict Transformation Across Cultures Program, where he taught classes on forgiveness and conflict transformation. He has attended peace workshops and trainings throughout the world, including Switzerland, the Philippines, and Nepal, where he helped to found a peacebuilding organization. In 2011, the Threshold Foundation honored Mr. Omanovic with the 5th International Peace Award, naming him the year's "Unknown Peace Worker".



Peter McBride

Post-Conflict Mental Health Specialist (Northern Ireland)

Peter McBride is a Post-Conflict Mental Health Specialist working in Northern Ireland. Previously, he held the position of Group Chief Executive of Inspire, where he was responsible for the overall implementation of Inspire's strategic plan and operational delivery across the Inspire Group. McBride joined Inspire in 2001 as the Managing Director of Carecall and became the Chief Executive in 2010. He has degrees in Science and Divinity and at Masters Level in Social Work, alongside further qualifications and experience in the fields of business management, counselling and the management of psychological trauma. McBride is a Trustee of the National Charity, BBC Children in Need, in which he chairs the Nomination Committee and the Grants Committee. He is a Trustee of NICVA where he serves as Vice Chair of the Board and Chair of the Resources and Audit Committee. McBride is also a Trustee of The Wheel, NICVA's sister organisation in the republic of Ireland. He also chairs the "Being Open" group of the Inquiry into Hyponatraemia-Related Deaths (IHRD) on behalf of the NI Department of Health. McBride has also been involved for over 20 years in the Victims and Survivors Sector in Northern Ireland and has played a leading role in the development of leadership within civil society and its response to political and social progress in Northern Ireland. He is a Visiting Professor at the University of Ulster Bamford Centre for Mental Health and Wellbeing.



Dr. Kate Ferguson

Director of Research & Policy, Protection Approaches

Dr Kate Ferguson is an experienced researcher and policy analyst in the fields mass atrocity prevention and identity-based violence, a term she developed during her PhD. She is Co-founding Executive Director of the London-based human rights NGO Protection Approaches where she heads up Research & Policy. Kate undertakes as well as commissions new research, provides technical advice to policy stakeholders, and creates opportunities for knowledge exchange.

In 2017 Kate created the UK Civil Society Atrocity Prevention Working Group and is now leading the development of new networks across Europe. Kate is Chair of Policy at the European Centre for the Responsibility to Protect and an Honorary Research Fellow with the School of History, University of East Anglia. She continues to teach at a university level on an ad-hoc basis on subjects relating to the history of human rights and international justice. Before co-founding PA in 2014, Kate worked with NGOs in the UK and abroad, and in the British parliament. She specialises in communicating academic and field research to policy audiences, producing policy-facing materials, and facilitating high level briefings with government and parliamentary representatives from the UK and around the world.

Kate received her BA and PhD from the University of East Anglia and has an MPhil in Russian and East European Studies from the University of Oxford. Her current research looks at the dynamics of contemporary identity-based violence and international prevention and protection policy. Her book “Architectures of Violence” will be published by Hurst in late 2019.



Dina Bailey

CEO, Mountain Top Vision; Director, Methodology and Practice, International Coalition of Sites of Conscience

Dina Bailey is the CEO of Mountain Top Vision, a consulting company that works with organizations on strategic initiatives to support more inclusive community work. She is also the Director of Methodology and Practice for the International Coalition of Sites of Conscience where she focuses on the role that memory and truth play in reconciliation initiatives both in the U.S. and globally.

In her previous positions as the Director of Educational Strategies at the National Center for Civil and Human Rights and the Director of Museum Experiences at the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center, Dina gained invaluable personal and professional experiences centered on bridging ethnic and cultural divides in America. Dina has degrees in middle/secondary education, anthropology of development and social transformation, and museum studies. She has been an adjunct professor at Johns Hopkins University and has been published in both the formal education and museum fields.



Nakia Ellis

Intelligence Analyst, Hate Crimes Program – Public Corruption Civil Rights Intelligence Unit, FBI

Nakia Ellis began working on the Civil Rights program in the Civil Rights Intelligence Unit of the FBI, Criminal Investigative Division in September 2016. At this time she worked the Human Trafficking threat and disseminated numerous intelligence products related to techniques utilized by traffickers to recruit victims. In October 2018, she transitioned to the Hate Crimes Program and since this time has been focused on identifying trends and patterns associated with discrimination based on personal biases that affect communities nationwide.

Ms. Ellis began her government career at the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) in 2001 working as a contract Special Investigator. She conducted background clearance checks for the U.S. military and various U.S. federal government agencies. This position led to a Research Analyst position in the Records Management Division of the FBI in 2007. In this position she conducted research and disseminated information from FBI files within the National Name Check Program (NNCP) in response to name check requests received from federal agencies including internal offices within the FBI. In 2008, she transferred to the Finance Division of the FBI working as an Accounting Analyst responsible for managing financial accounts and advising financial managers on matters related to operating cost and accounting systems for the FBI's yearly budget.

In 2010, she was selected as an Intelligence Analyst and graduated from the FBI Academy in Quantico, VA. From October 2010 to September 2016, Ms. Ellis worked in the Geospatial Intelligence Unit of the FBI. During this time period she worked as a Geospatial Intelligence Trainer and Acting Supervisory Intelligence Analyst supporting the FBI's geospatial mission related to Criminal, Cyber, Counterterrorism, and Counterintelligence threats. She wrote policy and standard operating procedures for the GEOINT Program and training curriculum and development for FBI field offices and operational divisions. Ms. Ellis served as the FBI liaison for the law enforcement geospatial community, identified, evaluated, and prioritized geospatial capabilities and coordinated with internal and external Enterprise Committee working groups regarding geospatial requirements and capabilities.

Ms. Ellis holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Criminal Justice/Criminology from the University of Maryland, College Park and a Master of Science in Intelligence Management.



Kerri Malloy

Lecturer, Department of Native American Studies, Humboldt State University

Kerri J. Malloy (Yurok/Karuk) is a Lecturer in the Department of Native American Studies at Humboldt State University and currently a student in the Holocaust and Genocide Studies Ph.D. program at Gratz College. He received his Master of Jurisprudence in Indian Law from The University of Tulsa College of Law. He is engaged in the development of the Northwestern California Genocide Project, a digital archive which documents acts of genocide and mass killing in northwestern California.

Instructors



Dr. James Waller

Director of Academic Programs, AIPR; Cohen Professor of Holocaust and Genocide Studies, Keene State College, USA

Dr. James Waller joined the Auschwitz Institute staff in July 2012 as Director of Academic Programs. From 2008 to 2012, he held the position of AIPR Affiliated Scholar, as well as Curriculum Coordinator for the Raphael Lemkin Seminar for Genocide Prevention. He continues to serve as an instructor at the Lemkin Seminar series, as he has dating back to the inaugural seminar in 2008. In March 2010, Dr. Waller was named Cohen Professor for Holocaust and Genocide Studies at Keene State College in New Hampshire. His award-winning book on perpetrators of genocide, *Becoming Evil: How Ordinary People Commit Genocide and Mass Killing* (Oxford University Press, 2002), was released in a revised and updated second edition in 2007. Dr. Waller recently published *Confronting Evil: Engaging Our Responsibility to Prevent Genocide* in the summer of 2016. In 2017, he was the recipient of the Engaged Scholarship Prize from the International Association of Genocide Scholars in recognition of his exemplary engagement in advancing genocide awareness and prevention.



Jack Mayerhofer

Chief of Staff, AIPR

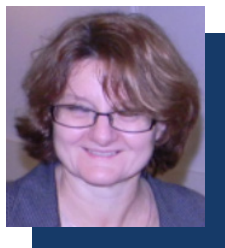
Jack Mayerhofer earned a B.S. in French and Applied Linguistics from Penn State University and an M.S. in Global Affairs from Rutgers University. Prior to coming to AIPR in January 2014, Mr. Mayerhofer worked with Peace Is Loud in New York and the Center for the Study of Genocide, Conflict Resolution, and Human Rights at Rutgers University in Newark. As Chief of Staff, he coordinates all activities of the Executive Office at the Auschwitz Institute. Finally, Mr. Mayerhofer both develops new programs and provides programmatic support to each of AIPR's regional offices and programs.



Dr. Piotr Setkiewicz

Chief Historian, Auschwitz-Birkenau State Museum

Dr. Setkiewicz studied History at Jagiellonian University in Krakow and earned his doctorate at the Silesian University in 1999 for a dissertation on IG Farben-Werk Auschwitz, 1941-1945. He began working for the Research Department at the Auschwitz-Birkenau State Museum in 1988. Dr. Setkiewicz was the head of the archives from 2001-2007, and later became head of the research department in 2008. His interests include the employment of prisoners in German industry and the history of the Auschwitz sub-camps.



Dr. Alicja Bialecka

Plenipotentiary for the New Main Exhibition, Auschwitz-Birkenau State Museum

Dr. Alicja Bialecka is a museum curator and a researcher specializing in the memory of Auschwitz and its representations in literature, as well as in the educational dimension of memorial sites in the context of European identity. She has published several articles devoted to these issues, among them educational programs and papers on the symbolism of Auschwitz, methods of teaching at memorial sites, and their role in historical education. Dr. Bialecka is a co-author of the guidelines for youth trips to memorial sites published by the International Task Force on Holocaust Education, Commemoration and Research, and since 2012, is the official representative of the Polish delegation to the Museum and Memorial Working group of the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance.

In the years 2006-2012, she was the Head of Educational Programs Section at the International Center for Education about Auschwitz and the Holocaust, and since 2013, has been appointed the Representative for the New Main Exhibition at the Auschwitz-Birkenau State Museum. She received her Master's Degree in English Philology and Linguistics at the Modern Language and Literature Department of the Silesian University and earned a Ph.D. in Literature at the Department of Anthropology of Literature and Cultural Studies, the Faculty of Polish Studies of Jagiellonian University.

Organizers



Samantha Capicotto

Director of Policy and Planning; Program Director for the Global Raphael Lemkin Seminar for Genocide Prevention, AIPR

Originally from Buffalo, New York, Ms. Capicotto has been with the Auschwitz Institute since 2010 as the Program Director of the Global Raphael Lemkin Seminar for Genocide Prevention. This is the flagship educational program of the organization, bringing 25 government officials together at the former Nazi concentration camps of Auschwitz-Birkenau each year to undergo an intensive course on genocide prevention policy development and implementation. She has also taken on the role of the Director of Policy and Planning in 2014, assisting the Executive Director in the overall programmatic development of the organization. Ms. Capicotto graduated from St. John's University School of Law magna cum laude. She is admitted to practice law in New York State and is a member of the American Bar Association and the New York State Bar Association. She graduated valedictorian from her undergraduate studies at the University of Buffalo, with a B.A. in Political Science and a B.A. in Philosophy.



Gosia Waligora

Officer for Polish Affairs, AIPR

Ms. Waligora assists the Auschwitz Institute in planning and executing the Lemkin Seminar in Poland. While Gosia officially joined AIPR in 2014, she had previously worked with AIPR since 2009 as a consultant. Ms. Waligora is also the Manager of the Centre for Dialogue and Prayer in Oświęcim. She received a B.A. in Public Administration from the College of Administration in Bielsko-Biala, Poland, in 2002, as well as an M.A. in Public Administration from Krakow University in 2011.



Susan Braden

Director of Strategic Partnerships, AIPR

Ms. Susan Braden joined AIPR in March 2018 as the Strategic Development Manager. Prior to this, she spent two years at the Cardozo Law Institute in Holocaust and Human Rights. Susan has a Joint-European M.A. in Human Rights and Genocide Studies, from Kingston University in London and Università degli Studi di Siena. She is also the current Managing Editor of Genocide Studies and Prevention. Ms. Braden previously spent time in Kampala, Uganda, assisting the work of the Uganda National Committee, as well as working with resettled refugees in the U.S. at various organizations. Additionally, she completed an internship with the Human Rights Program at The Carter Center in Atlanta, where she focused on African Union charter ratification project and coordinated a South-South learning exchange in Pretoria.



Fr. Jan Nowak

Director, Centre for Dialogue and Prayer, Oświęcim, Poland

Father Jan Nowak was appointed as a Priest in the Arch Diocese of Kraków in 1983. While continuing his priesthood in the Arch Diocese, Father Jan also became the Director of the Center for Dialogue and Prayer in Oświęcim, Poland in 2001. He also became the Vice Chairman of the Board of the Kraków Foundation Centre for Information, Meetings, Dialogue, Education and Prayer in 2008. In 2010, Father Jan was appointed as part of the Ministry Consultative Team for Holocaust Education by the Polish Minister of Education. And, in 2012, he was appointed to the Auschwitz-Birkenau State Museum Council by the Minister of Culture and National Heritage.

For the many positions he continues to hold to the present day, Father Jan was awarded the “Silver Cross of Merit” by Polish President Aleksander Kwaśniewski in December of 2005. In June 2010, Father Jan was honored by the Jewish National Fund with a tree planted in the hills of Jerusalem in honor of his work in Holocaust education.



Mr. Andrzej Kacorzyk

Deputy Director, Auschwitz-Birkenau State Museum

Since 1997, Mr. Kacorzyk has been a staff member at the Auschwitz- Birkenau State Museum. Initially, he began as a guide, then, in February of 1998, as an employee of the Education Department before obtaining a managerial position in September of 2001. When the International Center for Education about Auschwitz and the Holocaust was established, he became its Organization Manager and, since March of 2010, has served as a Head Manager of the Visitor Service Section. Currently, he is the Director of ICEAH.

Mr. Kacorzyk graduated from the Higher School of Pedagogy in Opole and the Teacher Training College in Bielsko-Biała. He also completed postgraduate studies in History and Museology at Jagiellonian University in Cracow, as well as attended training courses in Germany, the USA, Israel and Italy.