



# The European Security Forum at The University of Chicago

Challenges and Opportunities  
for European Security

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January 19-20, 2019

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# Vision

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Through providing an engaging and educational conference, the European Security Forum at The University of Chicago aims to promote the strengthening of the role of Europe for the future and the exploration the European identity. As an increasingly relevant subject in current affairs, we believe a focus on security issues will create a fruitful and constructive dialogue that is a necessary component of advancing the European idea in the present and future.

Featuring experts with extensive academic and professional experience in the security realm, the European Security Forum will touch on topics of cybersecurity, the economic implications of security policies, and the role of France, Russia, and the Middle East in security issues. The Forum aims to draw a wide public audience from across the nation for panels and roundtable discussions. Furthermore, we will offer workshop sessions for student participants which will give the opportunity to engage in deeper discourse on specific security problems and formulate a well-considered policy solution.

The European Security Forum at The University of Chicago believes strongly in promoting the scholarship of the European idea and anticipates great success in doing so through the conference.

*The European Security Forum is hosted by European Horizons, a non-partisan think tank on dedicated to envisioning the future of Europe and transatlantic relations, and EUChicago, the University of Chicago chapter of European Horizons. To learn more about the history and work being done across European Horizons' 42 member chapters, please visit us at <https://www.europeanhorizons.org/>. For questions concerning the conference, please contact our conference director, Claire Cappaert, at [cappaertcl@uchicago.edu](mailto:cappaertcl@uchicago.edu)*



# Date + Schedule

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The European Security Forum will be held on January 19th and 20th, 2019.

## Friday

19:00—21:00 Early registration for participants arriving Friday

## Saturday

9:00—10:00 Registration + breakfast

10:00—10:20 Welcome speeches

10:30—11:30 Panel #1

11:30—12:30 Lunch

12:30—13:30 Panel #2

13:30—14:00 Break

14:00—15:00 Roundtable

15:15—16:00 Keynote Speaker

16:00—16:15 Formal Closing

16:30—17:30 Workshop #1

## Sunday

9:00—10:00 Breakfast

10:00—12:00 Workshop #2

12:00—12:30 Conference Wrap-up

Conference Components:

Panels— will feature experts with academic and professional experience in security. One panel will be on European grand strategy and another will be on 21st Century security.

Roundtable— will give participants the ability to have small group discussions with experts featured on panels.

Workshops— will be an opportunity for student participants to continue the constructive dialogue on topics discussed on panels and focus on creating group solutions to security issues. Groups will create a policy brief by the end of workshops

# Confirmed Speakers

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*A finalized list of speakers will be made available closer to the conference date as speakers are still being confirmed*



## **Steven Pifer**

A retired Foreign Service officer, Steven Pifer's more than 25 years with the State Department focused on U.S. relations with the former Soviet Union and Europe, as well as arms control and security issues. He served as deputy assistant secretary of state in the Bureau of European and Eurasian Affairs, ambassador to Ukraine, and senior director for Russia, Ukraine and Eurasia on the National Security Council. Pifer is currently a fellow at the Brookings Institution and at the Center for International Security and Cooperation.



## **Craig Kennedy**

Currently a senior fellow at Hudson Institute, Craig Kennedy previously served as president of the German Marshall Fund of the United States for 18 years. During his time at the GMF, he increased significantly its size and influence within the transatlantic community. In addition to work on US-European security and foreign policy, he also developed innovative programs on Asia, the South Atlantic and urban policy. In addition, Kennedy has served as president of the Joyce Foundation.



## **George Beebe**

George Beebe is Director for Intelligence and National Security at the Center for the National Interest. He is also President of BehaviorMatrix LLC, a technology company that measures audience response to events, issues, and commercial brands. He spent more than two decades in government service as an intelligence analyst, diplomat, and policy advisor, including service as director of CIA's Russia analysis and as Special Advisor to Vice President Cheney for Russia/Eurasia and Intelligence Programs.



## **Marina Henke**

A professor at Northwestern University, Marina Henke's academic expertise is in military interventions, peacekeeping and European security and defense policy. Prior to joining Northwestern University, Prof. Henke was a Jennings Randolph Peace Scholar with the United States Institute of Peace. She also served as the editor-in-chief of the *Journal of Public and International Affairs* and worked with the U.S. House of Representatives, the European Commission, the European Parliament, the German Foreign Office as well as NGOs in Mexico and Argentina.

# Our Team

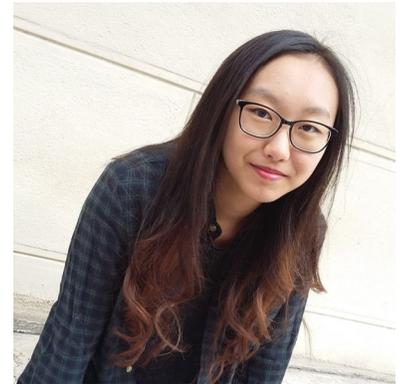
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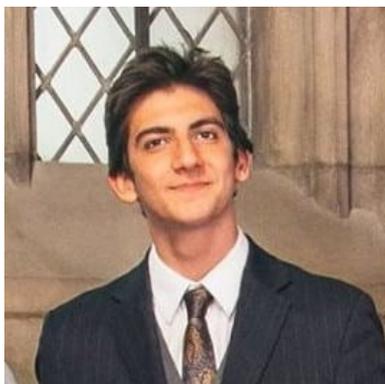
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