

**OPENING DAY: SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2021**

All sessions take place in the CLOISTER BALLROOM. Some guests will be attending virtually this year due to travel issues. We have denoted them on the agenda with a (v) near their name.

**10:30a – 12:30p**

**REGISTRATION OPEN**

Location: CUMBERLAND ROOM

**1:00p – 1:45p**

**CIPHER BRIEF THREAT CONFERENCE — WHO'S AT THE TABLE**

Location: CLOISTER BALLROOM

**1:45p – 2:30p**

**SESSION: THE CHINA BRIEFS**

Bill Evanina, former Director, National Counterintelligence and Security Center  
moderated by David Sanger, The New York Times

**2:30p – 3:00p**

**VIRTUAL KEYNOTE: CHINA AND THE CIA'S NEW MISSION**

CIA Deputy Director David Cohen (v)  
moderated by Suzanne Kelly

**3:00p – 3:20p**

**BREAK**

**3:20p – 4:05p**

**SESSION: RUSSIA'S STRATEGIES & SUCCESSES**

moderated by Paul Kolbe, Dir. of The Intelligence Project, Harvard University

**4:05p – 4:35p**

**VIRTUAL KEYNOTE: WHAT THE NSA SEES IN TRACKING THREATS**

Rob Joyce (v), Director of Cybersecurity Center, National Security Agency

**4:35p – 5:15p**

**KEYNOTE: THE U.S. INTELLIGENCE MISSION: A DEBRIEF**

Dr. Stacey Dixon, Principal Deputy Director of National Intelligence

**5:15p – 6:00p**

**VIRTUAL SESSION: FIVE EYES AND THE FUTURE VALUE OF GLOBAL ALLIANCES** Sponsored By In-Q-Tel

moderated by The Hon. Susan M. Gordon, former PDDNI

**DAY TWO: MONDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2021**

**6:00 – 6:45p**

**COCKTAIL RECEPTION: A NETWORKING AFFAIR**

Sponsored by Mandiant. Location TBD.

*Mandiant CEO Kevin Mandia shares what he's learned about intelligent cyber response.*

**8:15a – 8:45a**

**LIVE Taping Of The Cipher Brief's Daily Podcast**

Location: CLOISTER BALLROOM

**9:00a – 9:15a**

**WELCOME AND MORNING BRIEF**

Location: CLOISTER BALLROOM

**9:15a – 9:45a**

**KEYNOTE: THE CIA: ESPIONAGE & DIGITAL INNOVATION**

Jennifer Ewbank, Deputy Director of Digital Innovation, CIA

**9:45a – 10:15a**

**VIRTUAL KEYNOTE: THE MILITARY'S AI MISSION**

Lt. Gen. Michael Groen (v), Dir. of the DOD's Joint Artificial Intelligence Center (JAIC)

**10:15a – 10:30a**

**NETWORKING BREAK**

**10:30a – 11:00a**

**SESSION: FIVE YEARS INTO THE FUTURE: A NEW IC**

Cynthia Saddy, former CIA Chief Technology Officer, DO

Kim Lynch, Sr. VP, Booz Allen

Jeff Chapman, CEO, Babel Street

**11:00a – 11:30a**

**FIRESIDE CHAT: TODAY'S TERRORISM THREAT**

Christy Abizaid, Director of the National Counterterrorism Center  
moderated by Suzanne Kelly

**11:30a – 12:00p**

**VIRTUAL SESSION: AFGHANISTAN: A NEW STRATEGIC VIEW**

General David Petraeus (Ret.) (v) and Nick Fishwick (v), Former Senior Member of the British Foreign Office

**12:00p – 1:00p**

**NETWORKING LUNCH**

**DAY TWO: MONDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2021 (Continued)**

**1:00 – 1:45p**

**FIRESIDE CHAT: FORGING A NEW ALLIANCE CYBERSPACE**

CISA Director Jen Easterly

moderated by Kevin Mandia, CEO, Mandiant

**1:45p – 2:45p**

**CYBER WAR GAME: CODENAME — RANSOMWARE**

Sponsored by The Cyber Initiatives Group

Led by Dmitri Alperovitch, Executive Chairman, Silverado Policy Accelerator

**2:45p – 3:00p**

**NETWORKING BREAK**

**3:00p – 3:40p**

**SESSION: RANSOMWARE: ARE YOU PREPARED FOR ATTACK?**

Christopher Krebs, former Director, CISA

Kelly Bissell, Global Cybersecurity Lead, Accenture

Dmitri Alperovitch, Chairman, Silverado Policy Accelerator

**3:40p – 4:00p**

**VIRTUAL FIRESIDE CHAT: GCHQ'S NEW PRIORITIES**

GCHQ Director Sir Jeremy Fleming (v)

*a Recorded Session*

**4:00p – 4:15p**

**LIVE/ACTION BRIEF — OPEN SOURCE & THE NLP REVOLUTION**

Cynthia Strand, Global Intel Strategy Lead, Primer

**4:15p – 5:00p**

**SESSION: CLIMATE'S IMPACT ON FUTURE NATIONAL SECURITY**

Sponsored by Deloitte

Erin Sikorsky, Director, the Center for Climate and Security

Karen Monaghan, former Senior CIA Officer

Maureen Hinman, Chairman, Silverado Policy Accelerator

moderated by Kristin Wood, President of Grist Mill Exchange

**5:15p – 6:15p**

**COCKTAIL RECEPTION: ONE MORE ROUND**

Location: TBD

**DAY THREE: TUESDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2021**

**8:15a – 8:45a**

**LIVE Taping of The Cipher Brief's Daily Podcast**

Location: CLOISTER BALLROOM

**9:00a – 9:30a**

**SESSION: THE DANGER OF DISINFORMATION**

Location: CLOISTER BALLROOM

Jim Clapper (v), former DNI

Glenn Gerstell, former General Counsel, NSA

moderated by The Hon. Ellen McCarthy, former Asst. Secretary of State for Intelligence & Research

**9:30a – 9:50a**

**KEYNOTE: 1947 & REIMAGINING INTELLIGENCE INNOVATION**

The Hon. Susan M. Gordon, former PDDNI

**9:50a – 10:30a**

**INNOVATION LAB EXERCISE: CREATING A NEW IC**

Led by The Hon. Susan M. Gordon, former PDDNI

**10:30a – 10:45a**

**LIVE ACTION OP-ED — MANDIANT**

Sandra Joyce, Executive Vice President, Head of Mandiant Intelligence

**10:45a – 11:00a**

**NETWORKING BREAK**

**11:00a – 11:15a**

**LIVE ACTION OP-ED — RECORDED FUTURE**

Maggie McDaniel, Vice President of Research, Insikt Group at Recorded Future

**11:15a – 11:45a**

**SESSION: DATA & DEFENDING AGAINST NATION-STATE ATTACKS**

Guests: Jack Wilmer, CEO, Core4ce

Nancy Morgan, Chief Data Officer, ODNI

Tonya Ugoretz, Deputy Assistant Director for Cyber, FBI

moderated by Rick Ledgett, former Deputy Director, NSA

**11:45a – 12:00a**

**VIRTUAL FIRESIDE CHAT: INSIDE DARPA'S DEVELOPMENT LAB**

Deputy Director, Dr. Peter Highnam

moderated by Suzanne Kelly



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## DAY THREE: TUESDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2021 (Continued)

12:00a – 12:30p

### **FIRESIDE CHAT: AI & QUANTUM — ESPIONAGE & COMPETITION**

Michael Orlando, Acting Director, National Counterintelligence and Security Center

12:30p – 12:30p

### **CONFERENCE WRAP-UP**

\*Sessions and Speakers are Subject to Change. Conference tickets are not refundable but may be transferable under certain conditions.