



Upcoming Events

6:30 PM, 2 Oct 2010, OSS Society Dinner honoring Ross Perot, Mandarin Oriental Hotel, Washington, DC

13-14 Oct 2010, Maritime Safety and Security Towards Economic Prosperity Conference, Stuttgart, Germany

19-22 Oct 2010, Regional Seapower Symposium
Venice, Italy, http://www.marina.difesa.it/rss/index_2010.asp

2-4 PM, 20 Oct 2010, The Future of U.S.-India Relations, hosted by CNAS, The Newseum's Knight Conference Center, Washington, DC. The Center for a New American Security (CNAS) will host an event at the Newseum to launch a new report on the future of U.S.-India relations. The event will feature a roundtable discussion on the path forward for this critical relationship, featuring former Deputy Secretary of State Richard Armitage, Ambassador Nicholas Burns, CNAS Senior Fellow Richard Fontaine, and other outside experts. <http://www.cnas.org/node/4814>

12-2PM, 2 Sep 2010, Integrated Analysis for Development and Security: Scarcity and Climate, Population, and Natural Resources, Woodrow Wilson Center, Washington, DC. Alex Evans, Head of Program, Climate Change, Resource Scarcity and Multilateralism, Center on International Cooperation, New York University; Writer and Editor, *Global Dashboard*; Mathew J. Burrows, Counselor and Director, Analysis and Production Staff, National Intelligence Council (NIC)

12 PM, 8 Sep 2010, The Service Revolution in South Asia. The CATO Institute, Washington, DC. Featuring the editor and chief author Ejaz Ghani, Economic Advisor, South Asia Poverty Reduction and Economic Management, World Bank; with comments by Swaminathan S. Anklesaria Aiyar, Research Fellow, Center for Global Liberty and Prosperity, Cato Institute and columnist for the *Times of India*; moderated by Daniel Griswold, Director, Center for Trade Policy Studies, Cato Institute.

3:30-5:30 PM, 8 Sep 2010, Knowing the North: Intelligence and Intentions of the DPRK, Woodrow Wilson Center, Washington, DC. Speakers: James Person, Woodrow Wilson Center; Robert Carlin, National Committee on North Korea; Dae-sook Suh, University of Hawaii; Jae-jung Suh, Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies

9:00-12:30 PM, 21 Sep 2010, Governing the Far North: Assessing Cooperation Between Arctic and Non-Arctic Nations Woodrow Wilson Center, Washington, DC. Joel Plouffe, Chaire Raoul-Dandurand en études stratégiques et diplomatiques; Betsy Baker, Associate Professor, Vermont Law School; Dietmar Nietan, MdB SPD, Deutscher Bundestag; Ted L. McDorman, Faculty of Law, University of Victoria; Timo Koivurova, Research Professor, Director of the Northern Institute for Environmental and Minority Law, Arctic Centre/University of Lapland; Don Newman, Former Senior Parliamentary Editor, CBC News

10 AM-12 PM, 30 Sep 2010, A Modern Narrative for Muslim Women in the Middle East, Woodrow Wilson Center, Washington, DC.

10-12 Nov 2010, Maritime Security and Anti-Piracy Conference. London, England. <http://www.new-fields.com/msapc2/index.php>

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FAOs in the Spotlight

Rear Admiral Douglas J. Venlet has been selected to be the Navy's first FAO Flag Officer. Rear Admiral Venlet is a former surface warfare officer with a strong background in strategy and international engagement. He is currently serving as the newly reported SDO/DATT in Moscow. // The Marine Corps website recently posted an article written by Cpl Michel Bianco entitled: *FAO experience helps the Elite*. The article described the process by which Capt Paul T. Bartok (31st MEU) became a FAO and how that experience has influenced him. More info at www.marines.mil
Also congratulations to the Navy's newest selected FAO's: CDR Greg St. Pierre (JUSMAG Philippines) LCDR Marvin Park (VP-30) LT Onege Bateaborsangaya (CNE/A-CNF Naples) LT Randall Jones (COMSEVENTHFLT) LT Francisco Rivera (CNE-C6F)

Suggested Reading

Matterhorn by Karl Marlantes

The Ultimate Weapon is No Weapon: Human Security and the New Rules of War and Peace by Shannon D. Beebe and Mary Kaldor
Guide for Participants in Peace, Stability, and Relief Operations edited by Robert M. Perito

Exporting Security: International Engagement, Security Cooperation, and the Changing Face of the U.S. Military by Derek S. Reveron

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FAO 2.0 blogs, social networking, etc...

<http://greatmarinereadingmaterial.blogspot.com/>

Essential Reading for Marines highlights selected news with a Marine slant.

<http://amystrongstories.com/blogger/wayne-wall/>

Major Wayne Wall writes of his experiences as an Army FAO in Amman, Jordan

<http://www.fuuu.blogspot.com>

For Unofficial Use Only is essential daily reading for African and foreign affairs aficionados by an aspiring Navy FAO (Foreign Area Officer).

<http://www.cnas.org/blogs/abumuqawama>

Abu Muqawama is a blog dedicated to following issues related to contemporary insurgencies as well as counterinsurgency tactics and strategy.

<http://www.chinaafricaareastory.com/>

China in Africa: The Real Story digs into the myths and realities of Chinese aid, investment and economic engagement.

<http://easterncampaign.wordpress.com/>

Ghosts of Alexander writes on conflict and society in Central Asia

<http://www.registan.net/>

Registan.net covers Eurasian politics and news, seeking to draw more attention to issues and news rarely covered in much depth, if at all, by Western media.