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# THE GREAT WAR ALLIANCE FORUM

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2017

Meridian International Center | White-Meyer House  
1624 Crescent Place, NW | Washington, DC 20009

## MORNING SESSIONS:

### 9:00 AM – WELCOME REMARKS

**Ambassador Stuart Holliday**, President and CEO, Meridian International Center

### 9:10 AM – ORIGINS OF THE TRILATERAL ALLIANCE

**Ambassador Stuart Holliday**, President and CEO, Meridian International Center

**Dr. Paul Jankowski**, Professor of History, Brandeis University

**Michael G. Knapp**, Director of Historical Services, American Battle Monuments Commission

**Dr. Monique Seefried**, Commissioner, U.S. World War I Centennial Commission

### 10:30 AM – NATURE OF WAR

**Dr. Jennifer Keene**, Professor and Chair of the History Department, Chapman University; Historical Advisory Board Member, U.S. World War I Centennial Commission

**Dr. Patricia Lewis**, Research Director of International Security, Chatham House

**Dr. Jeffrey Sammons**, Professor of History, New York University; Historical Advisory Board Member, U.S. World War I Centennial Commission

### 11:30 AM – BREAKOUT LUNCH DISCUSSIONS

## AFTERNOON SESSIONS:

### 12:45 PM – THE GREAT WAR AND INDEPENDENCE: THE POLISH EXPERIENCE DURING AND AFTER WORLD WAR I

**His Excellency Piotr Wilczek**, Ambassador of Poland to the U.S.

### 1:00 PM – REFLECTIONS AND DEPICTIONS OF CONFLICT

**Megan Harris**, Senior Reference Specialist, Veterans History Project, Library of Congress

**Lauren Katzenberg**, Co-Founder and Managing Editor, *Task & Purpose*

**Dr. Tara Leigh Tappert**, Independent Scholar and Curator; Founder, The Arts & The Military

### 1:55 PM – FUTURE OF WAR

**Dr. T.X. Hammes**, Distinguished Fellow, Center for Strategic Research, National Defense University

**Dr. Patricia Lewis**, Research Director of International Security, Chatham House

**Paul Scharre**, Senior Fellow and Director of the Technology and National Security Program, Center for a New American Security

**Ian Wallace**, Co-Director of the Cybersecurity Initiative, New America

### 3:00 PM – CLOSING REMARKS

**Dr. Patricia Lewis**

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## Speaker Biographies



**Dr. T. X. Hammes** is a Distinguished Fellow of the Center for Strategic Research at the National Defense University. He is also an adjunct professor at Georgetown University, and his areas of expertise include Military Strategy, Future Conflict, and Insurgency. Hammes graduated with a B.S. from the U.S. Naval Academy, and holds a Master of Historical Research and Doctorate in Modern History from Oxford University. In addition, he is a Distinguished Graduate of the Canadian National Defence College. His publications include

*The Sling and the Stone: On War in the 21st Century and Forgotten Warriors: the 1st Provisional Marine Brigade, the Corps Ethos, and the Korean War.*



**Megan Harris** is the Senior Reference Specialist for the Veterans History Project (VHP) of the American Folklife Center at the Library of Congress. Working with researchers and the general public, she coordinates access to VHP's archive of over 100,000 collections relating to American veterans. Recently, Harris curated VHP materials for inclusion in the LC's WWI exhibit. She holds a Master of History from the University of Maryland, College Park, and has worked at the Library of Congress since 2007.



**Ambassador Stuart Holliday** is President and CEO of Meridian International Center. He served as United States Ambassador for Special Political Affairs at the United Nations (2003-2005). Previously, Ambassador Holliday was Assistant Secretary of the U.S. State Department's Bureau of International Information Programs and Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs. From 2000 to 2001, he was Special Assistant to the President and Associate Director of Presidential Personnel at the White House. He is a frequent speaker on

foreign affairs and international institutions on television programs such as Fox News Live, CNN, National Public Radio, BBC, Al Jazeera and Alhurra, as well as a variety of international media networks.



**Dr. Paul Jankowski** is Raymond Ginger Professor of History at Brandeis University and the former chair of the history department. His expertise is Modern European and French history as well as war and conflict in European history. Jankowski's many books include *Verdun: The Longest Battle of the Great War* and *Stavisky: A Confidence Man in the Republic of Virtue*. He has lectured on important world affairs such as the Paris riots and written about events like the Stavisky Affair. He received his B.A., M.A., and Ph.D. from Oxford University.



**Lauren Katzenberg** is the co-founder and managing editor of Task & Purpose, a news site for veterans, by veterans. She sits on the editorial board of War on the Rocks, an online platform for analysis, commentary and multimedia content on foreign policy and national security issues. Katzenberg is also a Defense Council member at the Truman National Security Project. Prior to launching Task & Purpose, she spent two years in Afghanistan working with local filmmakers and journalists.



**Dr. Jennifer D. Keene** is the Chair of the History Department at Chapman University and a Historical Advisory Board Member of the U.S. World War I Centennial Commission. She is a specialist in American military experience during World War I, having published three books on the American involvement in WWI. She is working on a book detailing the African American experience during WWI as well as a project comparing the experiences of soldiers from the French and British empires. She previously served as an associate editor for the *Encyclopaedia of War and American Society* (2005), which won the Society of Military History's prize for best military history reference book. She also sits on the advisory board of the International Society for First World War Studies and serves as the book review editor for the *Journal of First World War Studies*.



**Michael G. Knapp** is the Director of Historical Services for the American Battle Monuments Commission. He previously served as a Historian with the Contemporary Studies Branch of the US Army Center of Military History in Washington, DC, and was detailed as a Museum liaison officer to the U.S. Department of Defense Vietnam War Commemoration Commission. He is the co-author of *The Organization and Insignia of the American Expeditionary Force, 1917-1923*, and has contributed to *The United States in the First World War: An*

*Encyclopedia*, *The Historical Dictionary of the U.S. Army*, *100 Greatest Military Photographs* and *World War One Vault*.



**Dr. Patricia M. Lewis** is the Research Director of International Security at Chatham House in London. Her former posts include Deputy Director and Scientist-in-Residence at the Center for Nonproliferation Studies at the Monterey Institute of International Studies; Director of the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research in Geneva; and Director of Verification Training, Research, and Information Center in London. Dr. Lewis was also a member of the Weapons of Mass Destruction Commission and an adviser to the 2008-2010 International Commission on Nuclear Non-proliferation and Disarmament. She holds a Bachelor of Physics from Manchester University and a Ph.D. in Nuclear Physics from Birmingham University.



**Dr. Jeffrey Sammons** is a Professor of History at New York University and a Historical Advisory Board Member of the U.S. World War I Centennial Commission. His areas of research and interest include African-American history, military history, and sports history. Dr. Sammons is the author of *Beyond the Ring: The Role of Boxing in American Society* and co-author of *Harlem's Rattlers and the Great War: The Undaunted 369th Regiment and the African American Quest for Equality*. He holds a Bachelor of History from Rutgers College, graduating magna cum laude. He graduated from Tufts University with a Master's degree in

history and received his Ph.D. in American History from the University of North Carolina.



**Paul Scharre** is a Senior Fellow and Director of the Technology and National Security Program at the Center for a New American Security. He is author of the forthcoming book, *Army of None: Autonomous Weapons and the Future of War*, to be published in April 2018. From 2008-2013, Scharre worked in the Office of the Secretary of Defense where he played a leading role in establishing policies on unmanned and autonomous systems and emerging weapons technologies. He is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations, and holds a Master of Political Economy and Public Policy and a Bachelor of Physics, cum laude,

from Washington University in St. Louis.



**Dr. Monique Seefried** is a Commissioner of the U.S. World War I Centennial Commission. She was most recently President of the Croix Rouge Farm Memorial Foundation, which formed in 2005 to remember the service of the 167th (Alabama) Infantry Regiment, a National Guard unit of the 42nd "Rainbow" Division of World War I. She previously served as Chair of the International Baccalaureate's Board of Governors. Seefried frequently lectures on art and archaeology as well as on international education and more recently on World War I, its

causes and its consequences. She received her Ph.D. in History at the Sorbonne University in Paris.



**Dr. Tara Leigh Tappert** is an independent scholar and consultant on archives and American art. Since 2010, she has focused on the arts and the military, and artistic expressions of war trauma. Her work has been supported by the David B. Larson fellowship for Health and Spirituality in the John W. Kluge Center at the Library of Congress, and by the Center for Craft, Creativity & Design. Inspired by the artwork of Iraq and Afghanistan veteran artists, she founded The Arts & The Military, a grassroots organization that envisioned Arts, Military + Healing: A Collaborative Initiative, a 6-day event with workshops and public programs across the greater Washington, DC area in 2012. Tara holds a Ph.D. in American Studies from George Washington University.



**Ian Wallace** is co-director of New America's Cybersecurity Initiative and a senior fellow in the International Security program. His research focuses on the international security and military dimensions of cybersecurity policy. From 2009-2013, Wallace was the defense policy and nuclear counselor for the British Embassy in Washington, DC, where he helped develop new UK-US mil/mil cyber links at both the operational and policy levels. Before joining the embassy, he was a fellow at the Weatherhead Center for International Affairs at Harvard University where he researched the military implications of cyber capabilities. Wallace has a Master's degree in Ancient & Modern History from Christ Church, Oxford University.



**H.E. Ambassador Piotr Wilczek** is Ambassador of Poland to the United States. He is an active member of the Warsaw-based non-partisan American Study Group at the Polish Institute of International Affairs. Until his diplomatic appointment in the U.S., he was Representative in Poland of the New York-based Kosciuszko Foundation, a non-profit dedicated to educational, cultural, and artistic exchange between the U.S. and Poland. Ambassador Wilczek is a board member of numerous international scholarly journals, advisory councils, and educational initiatives in Europe and the U.S. He has edited 22 published monographs and over 100 journal articles, which have appeared in Poland, the UK, and the U.S.