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## GLOBAL & IR PROGRAM EVENTS

**Welcome Dinner for Ambassador Jendayi Frazer**

**Former Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs**

Tuesday, February 3, 2009

6:00pm – 7:30pm

SDS Conference Room (PH 223D)

The Center for International Politics and Innovation is hosting a dinner in honor of Ambassador Jendayi E. Frazer, Former Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs, to welcome Dr. Frazer as a new member of the faculty in the Department of Social & Decision Sciences and Heinz College. All Global Politics and International Relations students are welcome to attend.

Please see the next item for more information about Ambassador Frazer.

**Lecture: Ambassador Jendayi Frazer**

**Former Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs**

Wednesday, February 4, 2009

12:15pm – 1:20pm

Hamburg Hall 1000

Ambassador Jendayi Frazer joins the Carnegie Mellon University faculty on February 1, 2009, as a Distinguished Public Service Professor with a joint appointment in the College of Humanities and Social Sciences' Department of Social and Decision Sciences and the H. John Heinz III College's School of Public Policy and Management. In her first campus address as a member of the Carnegie Mellon community, she will speak about her eight year tenure as a senior Africa advisor to President George W. Bush and Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice while serving at the National Security Council and the U.S. Department of State.

Immediately prior to joining Carnegie Mellon, Dr. Frazer served as Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs from August 2005 until January 2009. It was during Frazer's tenure as U.S. Ambassador to South Africa that she was tapped to direct the United States' foreign policy relationship with the nations of sub-Saharan Africa. Before her ambassadorship, Frazer served as Special Assistant to the President and Senior Director of African Affairs at the National Security Council from 2001-2004.

Frazer joined the Bush Administration from Harvard University, where she was an Assistant Professor of public policy in the John F. Kennedy School of Government. She brought practical experience to that position, having worked as a political-military planner with the Joint Chiefs of Staff and as Director for African Affairs at the National Security Council, during her time as a Council on Foreign Relations International Affairs Fellow.

An alumna of Stanford University, Frazer earned her B.A., M.A., and Ph.D. degrees from the university. Her doctoral dissertation examined Kenya's civilian-military relationship. Security issues remain of interest to Dr. Frazer, who regularly speaks to military audiences and about military-related issues in Africa.

This lecture is co-sponsored by the Heinz College and the Center for International Politics & Innovation.

**Lecture: “Transitions in Pakistan and the United States: A Conversation with Pakistani Ambassador Husain Haqqani”**

Wednesday, February 18, 2009

12:00pm – 1: 20pm

Hamburg Hall, Room 1000

*\*CMU ID required\**

The Heinz College Convocation Lecture Series presents “Transitions in Pakistan and the United States: A Conversation with Pakistani Ambassador Husain Haqqani,” hosted by the Heinz College Washington D.C. Program and the Center for International Politics & Innovation

His Excellency Husain Haqqani was appointed Pakistan’s Ambassador to the U.S. in April 2008 by Prime Minister Yousaf Raza Gillani. As Ambassador, Haqqani is the Prime Minister’s representative in the United States and he is responsible for managing the bilateral relationship between the U.S. and Pakistani governments. A trusted advisor of former Pakistani Prime Minister, Benazir Bhutto, Ambassador Haqqani is a Professor at Boston University and former Director of the Center for International Relations. He serves as the Co-Chair of the Hudson Institute’s Project on the Future of the Muslim World as well as editor of the journal Current Trends in Islamist Thought, published from Washington, DC.

Haqqani is a leading journalist, diplomat, and scholar. He came to the U.S. in 2002 as a Visiting Scholar at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace in Washington, DC, and an Adjunct Professor at the School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS) at Johns Hopkins University. He served as an advisor to Pakistani Prime Ministers Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi, Nawaz Sharif, and Benazir Bhutto. From 1992 to 1993 he was Pakistan’s Ambassador to Sri Lanka.

Carnegie Mellon University ID is required to attend this event.

**Global Health Fellows Program Information Session**

Wednesday, March 4, 2009

12:00pm – 1:30pm

Rangos 1 (UC)

The Global Health Fellows Program (GHFP) is a partner organization of USAID that recruits fellows and interns for the USAID Bureau for Global Health.

Susan Masse, Deputy Director for Recruitment, Outreach, and Special Initiatives at GHFP, will be on campus to discuss the program, share insight into starting a career in global health, and host a Q&A session. The session will be tailored toward students from the Global and International Relations Program and the Health Professions Program.

For more information about the program, please visit [www.ghfp.net](http://www.ghfp.net).

**OTHER EVENTS**

**Lecture: “Overwhelming Techne: Media Circulation and the Cultural Politics of Noise”**

Monday, February 2, 2009

10:00am - 11:00am

309 Bellefield Hall, University of Pittsburgh

Drawing from ethnographic fieldwork in Japan and the United States throughout the 1990s, Dr. Novak’s talk will describe an electronic music genre called Noise within the transpacific loops of its circulation during this period. He describes Noise as part of a technological production of “feedback” that transforms the circulation of popular music through the subjective emplacements of its listeners. Feedback experiments with the possibilities of selfhood in the globalization of media -- with all of its noisy interruptions, distortions, and individual moments of sensory overload. David Novak is a Fellow of the Columbia Society for Fellows in the Humanities. For more information, contact Andrew Weintraub: [anwein@pitt.edu](mailto:anwein@pitt.edu).

**Lecture: “The European Union's Security Strategy and the Human Security Agenda: Another Approach to the Concept of ‘Smart Power?’”**

Wednesday, February 4, 2009

12:00pm – 1:00pm

4130 Posvar Hall, University of Pittsburgh

Dr. Eric Remacle, Visiting Professor at the University of Pittsburgh, lectures on human security and smart power as it relates to the security strategy of the European Union. For more information, contact Karen Lautanen: [kal70@pitt.edu](mailto:kal70@pitt.edu).

**Lecture: “What Advances Community-driven Development? A Cultural Perspective of Gender Mainstreaming and Self-Organization Mechanism in the Rural Areas of China”**

Thursday, February 5, 2009

12:00pm - 1:00pm

4130 Wesley W. Posvar Hall, University of Pittsburgh

A lecture by Huiping Xie, Ph.D. Candidate, Graduate School of Public and International Affairs, University of Pittsburgh. For more information, contact Jennifer Murawski: 412-383-3062, [jennm@pitt.edu](mailto:jennm@pitt.edu).

**Film: “Happy Flight”**

Thursday, February 5, 2009

7:00pm

Regent Square Theater, 1035 South Braddock Ave., Edgewood

Japan’s All Nippon Airways and the Japan-America Society of Pennsylvania have teamed up to present a viewing of the new Japanese comedy “Happy Flight” (by the director of recent popular films “Waterboys” and “Swing Girls”). This film is free and open to anyone who wishes to attend, but you must send an email RSVP with your name to [rsvp@fly-ana.com](mailto:rsvp@fly-ana.com) no later than Tuesday, February 3rd, 2009. For more information, contact Jennifer Murawski - 412-383-3062.

**Lecture: “Arab Media and US Policy: A Public Diplomacy Reset”**

Friday, February 6, 2009

3:00pm

1500 Wesley W. Posvar Hall, University of Pittsburgh

Lecture by Dr. Marwan Kraidy, Associate Professor at the Annenberg School for Communication at the University of Pennsylvania. Numerous polls have underscored that the reputation of the United States in the Middle East has steadily deteriorated. This persistently negative image poses a formidable challenge to the ability of the United States to engage the Arab region, casting a cloud of suspicion over US political, economic, and cultural initiatives. To remedy this situation, US policymakers should create a real operational and rhetorical alternative to the “global war on terror” as a framework for global engagement, acquire expert knowledge about the Arab media environment, pay more attention to how economic governance issues affect perceptions of the United States, and consider the pitfalls of the misunderstood “branding” label. Above all, an understanding should emerge that the US reputation crisis cannot be resolved by communication alone, but ought to rest on smarter policies. A revised grand strategy should rest on a new multilateralism based on engagement with multiple state and non-state actors alike. Response by Dr. Magid Shihade, UCIS Visiting Professor in Contemporary International Issues. An informal reception will follow the lecture. For more information, contact Veronica Dristas: 412-624-2918, [dristas@pitt.edu](mailto:dristas@pitt.edu).

### **Cultural Event: Chinese New Year Celebration**

Saturday, February 7, 2009

7:30pm

William Pitt Union Ballroom, University of Pittsburgh

Xin nian kuai le! Happy year of the ox! Come join CASA (Chinese American Students Association) in ushering in the new year of the ox! EVERYONE is cordially invited to our celebration, which will include a lion dance, Chinese yo-yo demonstration, live skit, piano performance, and fashion show. In addition, there will be food and raffle prizes. So come enjoy the show, eat Chinese food, and get a chance to win some gift cards to local restaurants. It is going to be a fun time, and CASA cannot wait to see you there! For more information, contact Cecilia Mok: [pittcasa@gmail.com](mailto:pittcasa@gmail.com).

### **Conference: “Global Issues, Global Solutions”**

Friday, February 20 – Saturday, February 21, 2009

This conference is a joint event among between the University of Pittsburgh, Carlow University, Duquesne University, LaRoche College and Carnegie Mellon University.

The opening event on Friday, February 20 in McConomy auditorium is the play “Speak Truth to Power.” Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright Ariel Dorfman was inspired to write a theatrical presentation based on interviews with over fifty human rights activists from around the world. The resulting play, “Speak Truth to Power: Voices from Beyond the Dark,” was presented at the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington D.C. in September 2000, and broadcast as part of PBS's The Kennedy Center Presents. Our conference will begin on Friday evening with a production of the play performed by local college students.

The conference includes keynote lectures on Saturday by Ellen Dorsey and Micheline Ishay, as well as workshops and panels on human trafficking; careers in global issues; environmental justice; women's rights; and conflict resolution.

For details, visit <http://www.cmu.edu/global-solutions-conference/conference-schedule/>.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS: STUDY ABROAD**

### **Tartans Abroad Fund**

The Tartans Abroad Fund provides scholarships for study, work, volunteer, research, or special projects abroad during academic break periods including the summer, winter break and spring break. Funds are not available for students in their final semester of study. The first deadline for summer study scholarship requests is Friday, February 13th (the second review deadline is mid-April). Completed scholarship packets are due to OIE (Warner Hall 3rd floor) by 5pm.

Guidelines and application materials may be found at <http://www.studentaffairs.cmu.edu/oie/sab/gettingstarted/scholarshipsCarnegie.html>

### **The Mary Ellen Crannell Naylor Study Abroad Award**

The MECN Study Abroad Award is a \$600 award for one Carnegie Mellon student each academic year who plans to study in Europe in a cultural immersion program. Completed applications packets are due to OIE (Warner Hall 3rd floor) by 5pm on Monday, March 2nd. Guidelines and application materials may be found at

<http://www.studentaffairs.cmu.edu/oie/sab/gettingstarted/scholarshipsCarnegie.html>

### **Study Abroad Information Sessions**

The Office of International Education presents general information sessions for students interested in study abroad. Returnees will be on hand to talk about their experiences. Upcoming sessions are available as follows:

- Wednesday, February 11, 5-6pm, Connan Room (UC)
- Thursday, February 26, 5-6pm, McKenna/Peter Room (UC)

### **Global Engagement Summer Institute**

The Global Engagement Summer Institute (GESI) is a two-course summer study abroad program focused on community development in a global context and will send students to Argentina; India; and Uganda. Students from around the country learn about international development, project management, leadership, and the realities of contemporary Argentinean, Indian, or Ugandan life by connecting them with community based organizations to co-design and collaboratively implement a small-scale community development project.

GESI starts with a 7-10 day training institute at Northwestern University in which students prepare for their project-based immersion by taking two courses—Intro to International

Community Development and Theory and Practice of Community Consulting—as well as learning from guest speakers about the cultural, historical, political, and economic background of their country. Students then spend seven weeks in either Argentina, India, or Uganda living in homestays, working with a local non profit in a team of five, and participating in guest lectures and discussion with local experts and a Northwestern TA. The Foundation for Sustainable Development ([www.fsdinternational.org](http://www.fsdinternational.org)) will be in charge of overseeing student projects, setting up home stays, overseeing all orientation, cultural, health, and security concerns, and managing relationships with NGOs. GESI concludes with a 2-3 day comparative final summit in Chicago. As GESI alumni, CGE will actively work to help students find internships and jobs in the development sector.

The Global Engagement Summer Institute program builds on Northwestern's successful Engage Uganda program, which for the last two years has sent students to learn about team-based community development in Uganda over the last two years. It has been designed in collaboration with faculty from the Northwestern Asset-Based Community Development Institute, Engage Uganda faculty and staff, country- and issue- specific Northwestern faculty experts, and the Foundation for Sustainable Development, which has been a partner in our Engage Uganda program.

For more information, visit [www.mycge.org](http://www.mycge.org) or contact Program Staff at [gesi.info@gmail.com](mailto:gesi.info@gmail.com)

### **Women in Engineering - Summer Internship and Credit in Ireland**

IAESTE United States and University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign present IMPACT: Advancing Women in Engineering.

Spend the summer in Galway, Ireland with an exciting internship and earn college credit!

Through IMPACT, students will cultivate the skills necessary to survive in the current global economy and explore the challenges that face women in the technology field today.

Each participant will be assigned an unpaid internship relevant to engineering and technology. In addition students will attend a three-credit course, Introduction to Computing with Application in Engineering, at the National University of Ireland-Galway.

DEADLINE: \$25 deposit, transcript and resume due by February 13, 2009.

Eligibility: First and second year female engineering students

International Program Dates: May 26 - July 24, 2009

Program fee: \$5,100 to \$5,500

Program Includes:

- Airfare to Ireland (from Chicago)
- In-country transportation
- Accommodations
- Guided City tours

- Three course credits from University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Visit <http://www.iaesteunitedstates.org/IntProgs/STEP/IMPACT.htm> for more information and to apply. For questions email [techabroad@aipt.org](mailto:techabroad@aipt.org).

### **Georgetown University Summer Study Abroad Programs**

The Georgetown University Office of International Programs is currently accepting applications to our 2009 summer study abroad programs. We are offering a wide selection of programs situated in diverse locations and specializing in challenging studies, service, and exploration. Many of the programs welcome non-Georgetown applicants. The deadline for application to all of the programs is February 12, 2009. Please do not hesitate to directly contact our office and/or to visit our website for more information.

More information on individual programs can be found at: <http://oip.georgetown.edu/os>.  
Summer Programs can be contacted at: [oipsummerabroad@georgetown.edu](mailto:oipsummerabroad@georgetown.edu)

### **Scholarships for Study Abroad in Japan**

The Bridging Scholarship program will award 50 scholarships to American students participating in study-abroad programs in Japan that begin in Fall 2009. Undergraduate students majoring in any field of study and attending any recognized exchange or independent program in Japan are eligible to apply for these scholarships.

Recipients of Bridging Scholarships will receive stipends ranging from \$2,500 to \$4,000, depending on the length of their study program in Japan. The scholarships are funded by donations from U.S. corporations and foundations to the US-Japan Bridging Foundation. Since 1999, the Bridging Scholarship program has awarded 875 scholarships to students studying abroad in Japan. Most recently, 17 students received scholarships for the Spring 2009 semester.

The deadline for applications is April 6, 2009. Applicants will be notified of the results by May 30. Selection will be based on academic potential and financial need. The scholarships are administered by the Association of Teachers of Japanese.

In addition, Morgan Stanley will award two \$7,500 scholarships to undergraduate students who will be studying abroad in Japan during the 2009-2010 academic year and who have an interest in economics and international finance. Applicants must submit an essay on one of several designated public-policy topics together with an application for the Bridging Scholarship program.

Fall 2009 programs are those beginning between August and October 2009 and continuing for at least three months. (Summer program participants are not eligible for Bridging Scholarships.) Students planning to study abroad in Japan beginning after January 1, 2010, should apply in October 2009 for the Spring 2010 scholarships.

Information on these scholarships and downloadable application forms are available at <http://www.colorado.edu/ealld/atj/Bridging/scholarships.html>.

## **H&SS Study Abroad Scholarships**

The Dean's Office for the College of Humanities and Social Sciences is pleased to offer the following scholarships to encourage study abroad.

### The Abel M. Bomberault Travel Fellowship

In memory of Abel M. Bomberault, class of 1956. Multiple scholarships of up to \$2,000 for H&SS, BHA, or SHS students for semester, full year, or summer study in a French-speaking country, with preference for France. Majors and minors in French will be given preference.

### The Brona Stein Buerger Scholarship

These annual scholarships will provide up to \$2,000 to one or two H&SS, BHA or SHS students, from any class or major, to be used toward a semester or full year of study in an accredited program of education abroad. Current sophomores and juniors will receive preference. This award has been given in memory of Brona Stein Buerger, Margaret Morrison class of 1962.

### The Hannah Estermann Bergman Travel Fund

This annual scholarship will provide up to \$1,000 to one H&SS student who is currently studying Spanish. Preference will be given to sophomores and juniors who are Modern Languages majors. This award has been given in memory of Hannah Estermann Bergman, Margaret Morrison class of 1946.

### Alumni Travel Scholarship

Multiple scholarships of up to \$1000 are awarded each year to H&SS, BHA, and SHS students to be used toward a semester or full year of study in an accredited program of study abroad. Current sophomores and juniors will receive preference. These funds are generously provided by H&SS Alumni.

Funds from each of these scholarships may be applied to tuition, room and board, airfare to the country and/or book expenses for any accredited study abroad program.

Eligibility: To qualify for an H&SS Study Abroad Scholarship, students must be registered as a primary major in one of the H&SS academic departments or be enrolled in the BHA or SHS programs at the time of application.

To apply for one of these scholarships, applicants must provide:

- A copy of the official description of the chosen study abroad program
- One page essay on how the program will benefit the applicant
- Completed cover sheet – available online at [www.hss.cmu.edu/studyabroad](http://www.hss.cmu.edu/studyabroad)
- A white print of your CMU transcript.

Applicants will be considered for all scholarships for which they qualify, but are only eligible to receive funding from one source.

Deadline for application: February 18, 2009

Submit applications to the Modern Languages Dept., Baker Hall 160.

Decisions will be announced via email by late March.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS: SCHOLARSHIPS/FELLOWSHIPS**

*For scholarships/fellowships related to study abroad, please see “Announcements: Study Abroad.”*

### **H&SS Summer Internship Opportunity Grants**

The College of Humanities and Social Sciences wishes to encourage students to find and undertake interesting internship opportunities for their summer employment. We understand that many of these opportunities are unpaid, or, at best, provide minimal pay. Yet it is often these very positions that provide students with first-rate, challenging work experiences that are invaluable in helping them define and move forward to their career goals.

We have instituted the H&SS Summer Internship Opportunity Grants Program to make it more feasible for students to take advantage of less remunerative, worthwhile internship opportunities. Individual grants are generally \$1,000, but can be as high as \$2,000. The grant may be subject to federal, state and local taxes.

Undergraduates with primary majors in H&SS, BHA and SHS and strong academic records are eligible to apply. Current sophomores and juniors will receive preference. Graduating seniors are not eligible to compete.

Students should fill out an application form; submit a one- or two-page explanation of the internship and its importance to them; include a resume; offer a statement of financial considerations, including anticipated expenses and the financial implications of their taking an internship.

Deadline: March 19, 2009

H&SS Dean’s Office, Baker Hall 154

For more information and an application form, please visit [www.hss.cmu.edu/internshipgrant](http://www.hss.cmu.edu/internshipgrant).

### **State Department Fellowships**

The State Department underwrites the Rangel and Pickering Fellowship Programs for undergraduate and graduate fellowships. These programs are designed to support interest in, and entry into, the Foreign Service by traditionally under-represented socio-economic and ethnic groups in the Department of State. The summer undergraduate programs are “for credit” courses hosted by Howard and Princeton Universities. For example, the six week Rangel program at

Howard offers the “History of US Foreign Relations,” “Political Economy,” and “Writing” classes. Students receive tuition, travel, room and board, as well as a stipend. Program administrators pay close attention to these students taking them to visit U.S. agencies and Congress to meet foreign policy policymakers and practitioners.

Both the Rangel and Pickering programs also underwrite the full costs for graduate studies for motivated and talented students. Students are also assigned internships at the Department of State and an embassy or consulate overseas. On successful completion of the program, the student is eligible for entry into the Foreign Service, subject to passing the Foreign Service oral examination.

The deadlines for the coming year’s Rangel full time graduate and summer undergraduate programs are, respectively, January 23 and February 13, 2009. The Pickering graduate and summer programs deadlines are, respectively, February 3 and February 6, 2009.

Further information for these programs can be found at: [www.woodrow.org](http://www.woodrow.org) (click on the foreign affairs drop down tab) and [www.howard.edu/rjb/rangelprogram.htm](http://www.howard.edu/rjb/rangelprogram.htm).

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS: CAREERS/INTERNSHIPS**

### **Foreign Service Office Test Update**

Because of increased interest in the Foreign Service Officer (FSO) Test, the State Department has reached the worldwide scheduling limit for the February testing window. If you did not complete your registration and reserve a seat for the February FSOT, you are encouraged to register well in advance for the next FSOT, which will be given June 6-13, 2009. After registration, an applicant can select a seat on a first-come, first-served basis once scheduling begins.

You may submit your registration at any time. Those who have registered will receive a separate e-mail when scheduling begins for the June test window that will provide instructions on scheduling a test seat. Scheduling begins approximately 5-6 weeks before the test window opens.

If you have any questions, please e-mail [fsot@act.org](mailto:fsot@act.org) or call 1-800-205-6358.

### **U.S. Department of State 2009 Fall Internship Program**

The State Department is currently accepting applications for U.S. Department of State 2009 Fall internship positions.

Visit <http://careers.state.gov/students/programs.html#SIP> for more information, and to start the online application process. Please note that the deadline to submit completed applications is March 4, 2009.

### **Employment Opportunities Conference (EOC) Coming in February**

Thursday, February 5, 2009

12:00pm – 6:00 pm  
University Center Gym and Rangos Ballroom

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Monday, February 2 (Midnight)

The Career Center invites you to attend the Fifth Annual Employment Opportunities Conference (EOC) -- a job and internship fair for all students from all Carnegie Mellon colleges. The EOC is open to all currently enrolled degree seeking students of Carnegie Mellon University and Carnegie Mellon Alumni

Whether you are seeking a summer internship or a full-time employment opportunity, the EOC is an excellent job fair for you to attend. Over 65 “actively recruiting” organizations have already registered -- don't miss your chance to meet them.

For detailed information, log on to: <http://www.studentaffairs.cmu.edu/career/eoc/eocstu.cfm>

PLEASE REGISTER THROUGH YOUR TARTANTRAK ACCOUNT: Login to TartanTRAK, select the “info sessions/events” tab, then select “Employment Opportunities Conference”  
<https://cmu-csm.symplicity.com/students/>

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS: CONFERENCES/PUBLICATIONS**

### **Institute for Cultural Diplomacy Programs – March 2009**

The Institute for Cultural Diplomacy (ICD) is pleased to announce these three programs taking place in Berlin, March 2009. All programs are currently accepting applications.

The ICD is an international, not-for-profit, non-governmental organization focused on the theoretical and practical promotion of cultural exchange as a tool for improving relations in all areas. To learn more about our activity, please visit: [www.culturaldiplomacy.org](http://www.culturaldiplomacy.org).

The ICD Programs have been developed to facilitate intercultural exchange at the grass roots, civil society and political levels. They bring together Young Leaders from across the world for an analysis of cultural diplomacy, an exploration of the relationship between their cultures, and to create a sustainable network between likeminded individuals. Following the completion of the programs, the participants are encouraged to use this network to develop their own leadership initiatives in the field of cultural diplomacy.

The follow-up initiatives are supported by the ICD through an online forum and personal consultation, and allow the ICD principals of inter-cultural relations based on dialogue, understanding and trust to spread much further.

The Academy for Cultural Diplomacy (Berlin, March 2nd – 6th, 2009) offers individuals of all backgrounds to gain an introduction in, or deepen their knowledge of, the field of Cultural Diplomacy. A diverse, inter-disciplinary curriculum featuring leading figures from the public sector, private sector and civil society will stimulate discussions of the salient issues in the field

of Cultural Diplomacy today. The program is designed to complement more traditional academic studies in the area, as well as accommodate individuals from a professional background.

Further info: [www.culturaldiplomacy.org/index.php?en\\_icdacademy\\_introduction](http://www.culturaldiplomacy.org/index.php?en_icdacademy_introduction)  
Enquiries: [academy@culturaldiplomacy.org](mailto:academy@culturaldiplomacy.org)

The UK Meets Germany: A Forum for Young Leaders (Berlin, March 23rd – 27th, 2009) will comprise a series of high-profile seminars and workshops, which will look at both the historical and current relationship between the UK and Germany, as well as the potential of cultural exchange as a means of improving cooperation in academic, corporate and political contexts. The programme will also include follow-up initiatives, such as the publication of a collection of articles, which participants will be invited to submit after the Forum.

Further info: [http://www.culturaldiplomacy.org/index.php?en\\_program\\_ukmg\\_introduction](http://www.culturaldiplomacy.org/index.php?en_program_ukmg_introduction)  
Enquiries: [ukmg@culturaldiplomacy.org](mailto:ukmg@culturaldiplomacy.org)

The United States Meets Germany: A Forum for Young Leaders (Berlin, March 30th – April 3rd, 2009) is designed with the intention of bringing together young, influential people from both sides of the Atlantic in order for them to gain insight into cultural diplomacy, exchange ideas and experiences and learn from influential players already working in the field. Participants will develop contacts on both a social and professional level, and participate in challenging discussions. The Forum will therefore produce a dynamic, informed group of Young Leaders who are aware of the potential for cultural diplomacy and have the necessary resources to organize their own initiatives. It is hoped that these participants might cooperate on independent initiatives together in their future. Ultimately the USAMG Forum will improve understanding between the US and Germany, and improve future cooperation and exchange between the two countries.

Further info: [http://www.culturaldiplomacy.org/index.php?en\\_program\\_usamg\\_introduction](http://www.culturaldiplomacy.org/index.php?en_program_usamg_introduction)  
Enquiries: [usamg@culturaldiplomacy.org](mailto:usamg@culturaldiplomacy.org)

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