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Roundtable Participants: Biographical Notes



Admiral Andrew L. Lewis

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Admiral (Ret.) Andrew “Woody” Lewis is a Non-resident Distinguished Fellow with the Transatlantic Defense and Security Program at the Center for European Policy Analysis (CEPA).

Admiral (Ret.) Lewis is a strategic executive with over 20 years of executive leadership experience in global operations management. He has expertise in naval and defense strategy design and the integration of innovative concepts and technologies, he has successfully transformed organizations throughout his career. Admiral (Ret.) Lewis culminated his 36-year-long military career as a 3-star Senior Officer and is highly skilled in building productive relationships and networks with senior leadership both within and outside of US and foreign governments to support NATO and US military strategy. He played a key role in developing the 2018 Navy Strategy, influencing the National Defense Strategy and NATO's military strategy. He has a proven track record of success within the Navy in driving operational excellence and addressing security challenges on a global scale.



Zachary Selden

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Zachary Selden received his Ph.D. from the University of California – Los Angeles in 1996. He is the author of *Economic Sanctions as Instruments of American Foreign Policy* (opens in new tab) (Praeger, 1999) as well as articles in *Contemporary Economic Policy*, *National Security Studies Quarterly*, *Policy Review* and *Problems of Post Communism*. Zachary Selden was the Deputy Secretary General for Policy at the NATO Parliamentary Assembly based in Brussels, Belgium from 2008-2011. He was the Director of the Defense and Security Committee of the NATO PA from 2003-2007. Prior to that posting, he was the International Affairs Analyst in the National Security Division of the Congressional Budget office (1999-2003) and the Director for Emerging Threats at Business Executives for National Security (1996-1999). Zachary Selden focuses on US national security and alliances with an emphasis on the transatlantic relationship.



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Michael John Williams is associate professor of public administration and international affairs and director of international relations graduate programs at the Maxwell School for Citizenship and Public Affairs, senior nonresident fellow at the Atlantic Council of the United States, an associate of LSE IDEAS, editor-in-chief of *International Politics*, and director of the Carnegie-Maxwell Policy Planning Lab in the Moynihan Institute for Global Affairs at Maxwell.

The Carnegie-Maxwell Policy Planning Lab (PPL) funded by the Carnegie Corporation of New York, is part of the Corporation's Bridging the Gap program. The PPL brings together leading scholars of international relations, with midcareer policy professionals, to develop future policy scenarios whilst also offering early career civil servants' leadership and management training.

Williams's research and writing focuses functionally on international security and regionally on Europe-Russia and NATO. He has published extensively in both academic and policy outlets on the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, as well as on issues of war and technology. The author of three books, his most recent was "Science, Law and Liberalism in the American Way of War: The Quest for Humanity in Conflict" (Cambridge University Press).

His work has been published in journals such as *International Affairs*, *International Politics*, *International Peacekeeping*, *Global Governance and Cooperation & Conflict*. He is also co-editor of the critically acclaimed *Power in World Politics*. As a doctoral candidate at LSE, he was editor-in-chief of *Millennium: Journal of International Studies*, volume 33.

His research has been supported by numerous foundations. Most recently he was a 2023 NATO Security Studies Fulbright Fellow at the Brussels School of Governance in Belgium. He previously held a Robert Bosch Fellowship in the German Ministry of Defense, a visiting fellowship at the University of Oxford's Rothermere American Institute, and a DAAD Fellowship at the Bundeswehr Center for Social Science in Potsdam. During his time at the German Ministry of Defense he was special advisor to the Parliamentary State Secretary for Defense.

Prior to joining Syracuse University, Williams was director of the international relations program at New York University, associate professor at the University of London and director of the Transatlantic Security Program at the Royal United Institute for Defense and Security Studies in London.

Williams earned an honors B.A. with distinction from the University of Delaware, an M.A. with distinction from the Humboldt Universitaet zu Berlin and a Ph.D. (2006) from London School of Economics and Political Science.



Tatiana Kostadinova, Ph.D.

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Tatiana Kostadinova is a professor in the Department of Politics and International Relations and the director of the European & Eurasian Studies Program at FIU. She received her Ph.D. in Political Science from Florida State University. Her research and teaching interests include elections, institutions, democratization, political corruption, and populism. She has been the recipient of several grants, among which the American Political Science Small Research Grant (2002) and a Fellowship Program Award from the German Marshall Fund of the United States (2003-2004). Kostadinova is the author of two books. In *Bulgaria 1879-1946: The Challenge of Choice* (East European Monographs/Columbia University Press, 1995) she explored institutional arrangements, party competition, and voting patterns in Bulgarian parliamentary elections. The second book, *Political Corruption in Eastern Europe: Politics After Communism* (Lynne Rienner, 2012) analyzed the emergence of corruption as a major obstacle to successful democratic transition. Her findings turn the attention to the eroding impact of malfeasance on citizen trust in institutions and the role of the European Union for promoting integrity in public life. Other publications include journal articles in *American Journal of Political Science*, *Electoral Studies*, *Journal of Peace Research*, *European Journal of Political Research*, *Political Research Quarterly*, *Party Politics*, and *Europe-Asia Studies*.

Professor Kostadinova's primary teaching area is comparative politics. At the undergraduate level, she teaches courses on Russian and Eastern European politics, electoral behavior, and research methods. Her graduate level courses include seminars on democratic transitions, political parties, political corruption, and advanced research.