

Youth and the Allure of Terrorism: Identity, Recruitment and Public Diplomacy

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Welcome

Dear Colleagues,

We want to welcome you to the symposium – “Youth and the Allure of Terrorism: Identity, Recruitment and Public Diplomacy.” This international gathering of scholars, clerics and activists provides a wonderful opportunity to share thoughts on how we, as a community committed to combating radical extremism, can address the spread of extremism and attraction to terrorist groups among youth. The symposium also allows us to benefit from the efforts of those who have been “in the trenches” in the struggle to prevent youth radicalization and instead help channel them in positive directions which will allow youth to enjoy a more productive life.

Many if you have come a long distance to share your research and results in working with youth. We want you to know that we very much appreciate this effort. Without your commitment to this symposium, we would not have been able to bring together such an excellent group of participants. Through each of your contributions, we will develop a whole that is greater than the sum of its parts.

Conferences and symposia generate much energy and enthusiasm. All too often, this energy is dissipated after the event has concluded. In the spirit of continuing to move forward, we invite you to join us for a Planning Session Wednesday afternoon, October 21st, after the symposium has ended. The purpose of this meeting is to help develop a broader multi-year project, “Youth and Combating Radical Extremism in the 21st Century.”

We envision a 3-5 year project which will seek public and private funding. This project would focus on 4 issue areas: 1) processes of youth radicalization; 2) the impact of civil strife and economic deprivation on transnational migration and its impact on radicalization; 3) the impact of civil strife, economic deprivation and transnational migration on women, particularly those who are single heads of households, without education and employment-related skills, and how this in turn affects radicalization; and 4) the processes and problems associated with the reintegration of former fighters into the societies from which they originated.

As a start to the project, we recently received a grant from the “Global Urbanism” initiative from the Global Advancement and International Affairs (GAIA) Centers at Rutgers University to begin the study of youth radicalization in urban areas in the UK, Germany, France, the Netherlands and Italy.

The operative term to describe this symposium and the larger multi-year project is “team effort.” Through our collaboration in combating the attempts of extremist groups to seduce gullible youth through divisive, dishonest and destructive messages, we seek to develop a counter-narrative which can be disseminated through conferences and workshops, academic publications but also through a “youth friendly” website which will draw upon specialists from around the world, including youth, who will offer alternatives to extremist ideas and messages.

One vehicle for organizing the proposed multi-year project is the new Global Futures University Consortium, an initiative of the Rutgers University MA Program in Political Science – United Nations and Global Policy Studies. The Consortium – which is described on p. 25 of the program – is open to any academic unit, civil society organization, or NGO which shares the goal of solving global problems. If the institution with which you are affiliated wishes more information on the Consortium, please ask us for more details.

We want to wish you all an enjoyable and successful symposium. It is our goal not only to offer you an exciting intellectual experience, but to insure that you have a pleasant stay while you are on the Rutgers University campus.

Please let us know if we can be of help in any way while you are our guests.

With all best wishes,

Eric Davis
Jean-Marc Coicaud
Symposium Conveners

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Symposium Conveners: Dr. Eric Davis, Department of Political Science,
Rutgers University- New Brunswick, and Dr. Jean-Marc Coicaud, Division of Global Affairs,
Rutgers University-Newark and Rutgers School of Law
Rutgers University, New Brunswick, New Jersey
Oct. 18-21, 2015

PROGRAM

SUNDAY EVENING, October 18th – Rutgers Conference Center & Eagleton Institute of Politics

PLENARY

Reception – Rutgers Inn and Conference Center – 5:00-5:45

Welcoming Remarks – 5:45-6:30

Dr. Barbara Lee, Senior Academic Vice President, Rutgers University
H.E. Ambassador Lukman Faily, Embassy of the Republic of Iraq, Washington, DC
Dr. Clifton Lacy, Director, Institute for Emergency Preparedness and Homeland Security, Rutgers University
Dr. James Masschaele, Vice Executive Dean, School of Arts and Sciences, Rutgers University
Dr. Eugene Murphy, Assistant Vice President of International and Global Affairs, Rutgers University

DINNER – Eagleton Institute of Politics 7:15

MONDAY MORNING, October 19th – Trayes Hall, Douglass College Center

Registration – 8:00-9:00

Introduction – Dr. Eric Davis and Dr. Jean-Marc Coicaud – 9:00

Welcome

John Farmer, University Professor, Rutgers School of Law, and founding member, Institute for Emergency
Preparedness and Homeland Security, Rutgers University
Richard Lau, Chair, Department of Political Science, Rutgers University-New Brunswick

Panel 1: CONCEPTUAL AND IDEOLOGICAL BASES OF THE DISCOURSE OF TERRORISM – 9:30-10:45

Eric Davis – *What is Terrorism? The Conceptualization of a Concept*
Jean-Marc Coicaud - *Preliminary Thoughts on the Study of Terrorism*
Engy Abdelkader - MA Program in Political Science – United Nations and Global Policy Studies,
and Religion and Foreign Policy Working Group, US Department of State, *The Discourse of Terrorism*
Johnny Mack, President, Communities Without Boundaries International Terrorism, *Discourse and
Civic Consciousness: Creating Consciousness in the Civic Sphere*

Panel 2: SOCIAL PSYCHOLOGICAL AND IDEOLOGICAL DIMENSIONS OF ATTRACTION TO TERRORIST MOVEMENTS – 11:00-12:30

Chair: Olivier Walther, Department of Border Regions Studies, University of Southern Denmark

Faris Kamal Nadhmi, Professor of Social Psychology, College of Arts, Salahaddin University, Erbil, Iraq
Radical Islamist Youth: The Social Psychology of Identity Crises

Nareen Mamkak, Instructor of Kurdiology, College of Administration and Education, Salahaddin University, Erbil, Iraq
Youth Attraction to Radical Islamism in Iraqi Kurdistan

Samuel (Muli) Peleg, Director of Development, MA Program in Political Science - United Nations and Global Policy Studies, Rutgers University
The Social Psychology of Jewish Terrorists in Israel

Abdalla Uba Adamu, Department of Science and Technology Education, and Department of Mass Communications, Bayero University, Kano, Nigeria
On the Edge of Darkness: Muslim Hausa Youth, Insurgent Militancy and the Nigerian State

Harith Hasan al-Qarawee, Radcliffe Institute, Harvard University and Crown Fellow, Brandeis University
The IS and Sectarianism in Iraq: The Political Psychology of State Failure

Discussant: Roy Licklider, Department of Political Science, Rutgers University-New Brunswick

LUNCH - Traves Hall, Douglass College Center, Rutgers University 12:30-1:30

MONDAY AFTERNOON October 19th

Panel 3: PATTERNS OF RECRUITMENT IN TERRORIST MOVEMENTS – 1:30-3:15

Chair: Norman Samuels, University Professor, School of Criminal Justice, Rutgers University-Newark

Seyni Moumouni, Department of Islamic Studies, Université Islamique de Niamey
“Jeunes et mouvances islamiques au Niger: engagement et radicalization”

Mouayed al-Windawi, Department of History, Baghdad University and UNAMI (Jordan)
Patterns of Recruitment to the Islamic State (Da'ish)

Ayman Grada, Boston University Medical School
Carrots and Sticks: A Model of Youth Recruitment to Radical Islamist Movements in Libya

Abbas Kadhim, President, Institute for Shia Studies, Non-Resident Fellow, SAIS, Johns-Hopkins University, Washington, DC
Shi'a and Sunni Militancy: a Comparative Examination of Causes, Methods, and Objectives

Discussant: Matteo Legrenzi, School of International Relations, Università Ca' Foscari, Venice, Italy

COFFEE BREAK – 3:15-3:30

Panel 4: YOUTH AND THE GENDER POLITICS OF TERRORIST MOVEMENTS – 3:30-5:15

Chair: Ousseina Alidou, Department of African, Middle Eastern and South Asian Languages and Literatures (AMESALL), Rutgers University-New Brunswick

Saladdin Ahmed, Department of Social Sciences, Mardin University, Turkey
Womenless Space-the Gender Pathology of the Islamic State

Hala Sarraf, Director, Iraq Health Aid Organization
Living under Da'ish: A Study of Iraqi Displaced Populations in Conflict Zones of Iraq

Dilar Dirik, Department of Sociology, Cambridge University
The Rojava Kurdish Revolution and its Implications for Fighting Gender Inequality in the Middle East

Ousseina Alidou, Department of African, Middle East and South Asian Languages and Literatures
Boko Haram/Religious Fundamentalism, the Militarization of the Sahel and Gendered Consequences

Discussant: Mona Lena Krook, Department of Political Science, Rutgers University-New Brunswick

MONDAY EVENING October 19th

DINNER – Rutgers Inn and Conference Center – 6:30-8:00

H.E. Ambassador Hassana Alidou, Embassy of the Republic of Niger, Washington, DC *The Role of the Government and University in Combating Radical Extremism among Youth in Niger*

Dr. Akeel Yasseen, President, University of Kufa, Kufa, Iraq *Developing Civic and National Consciousness among Iraqi Youth at the University of Kufa*

Dr. Keiji Nakatsuji, Dean, Graduate School of International Relations, Ritsumeikan University, Kyoto, Japan *Promoting Tolerance and Civic Consciousness among Japanese Youth at Ritsumeikan University*

TUESDAY MORNING October 20th

Panel 5: COUNTERING THE TERRORIST THREAT 1: ACTIVISM AND ALTERNATIVES TO RADICAL EXTREMISM AMONG YOUTH – 9:00-10:45

Chair: Leslie Kennedy, University Professor, School of Criminal Justice, Rutgers University-Newark

Sabreen Kadhim Shanshal – al-Hurra Broadcasting, Baghdad, Iraq *The Impact of Iraqi Civil Society Organizations on Youth: a Case Study of “I am Iraqi, I Read”*

Chérif Chako, Department of Economics, Université Abdou Moumouni, Niamey Niger-
RENIPESS *Reconciling Socio-religious Differences between Muslim and Christian Youth in Niger*

Brian Daniels, Director of Research and Programs, the PENN Center for Cultural Heritage, University of Pennsylvania *Youth and the Destruction of Cultural Heritage in Syria and Iraq*

Javaria Saeed, Head, Muslim Youth Partnership Department, and Sergeant, Counter Terrorism Command, Scotland Yard, London *#IWantAVoice - Radicalization and Partnership with Young Muslims*

Abbas Fadhil, Department of Political Science, Baghdad University, and Department of Political Science, Rutgers University *Youth, Civil Society and Political Reform in Iraq: the 2015 Demonstrations against Corruption and Authoritarian Rule*

Discussant: Dr. Robert Kaufman, Department of Political Science, Rutgers University-New Brunswick

COFFEE BREAK – 10:45-11:00

TUESDAY MORNING October 20th

Panel 6: COUNTERING THE TERRORIST THREAT II: ACTIVISM AND ALTERNATIVES TO RADICAL EXTREMISM AMONG YOUTH – 11:00-12:00

Hassan Nadhem, Director, UNESCO Chair for Dialogue and Islamic Religious Studies, University of Kufa, Kufa, Iraq *The Role of the UNESCO Chair in Combating Radical Extremism among Youth in Iraq*

Sayaka Fukumi, Graduate School of International Affairs, Ritsumeikan University, Kyoto, Japan *Youth and Criminality: Implications for a Better Understanding of Global Terrorism*

Viraj LeBailly, Deputy Director, Political Training Division, Foreign Service Institute, U.S. Department of State *Preparing Foreign Affairs Professionals: Training for Coordination, Understanding of, and Networking against Terrorism*

LUNCH – 12:00-1:15

TUESDAY AFTERNOON October 20th

Panel 7: INTER-FAITH ROUNDTABLE: THE ROLE OF RELIGION IN COMBATING RADICAL EXTREMISM AMONG YOUTH – 1:15-2:30 – 3:00-4:15 p.m.

Moderator: Hassan Nadhem, Director, UNESCO Chair for the Development of Inter-Religious Dialogue Studies in the Islamic World, University of Kufa, Kufa, Iraq

Co-moderators: Jean-Marc Coicaud and Eric Davis

Rabbi Reuven Firestone, Regenstein Professor in Medieval Judaism and Islam, Hebrew Union College, Los Angeles, CA

Imam Magid Mohammed, Executive Director, All Dulles Area Muslim Society (ADAMS), Sterling, VA

Arsalan Suleman, United States Special Envoy to the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC), and Principal Level Officer, Secretary of State's Office of Religion & Global Affairs, US Department of State, Washington, DC

Rabbi Sivan Malkin Maas, Dean, Tmura-Institute for Training Secular Humanistic Rabbis and Jewish Leadership, Israel

Sayyid Jawad al-Khoei, Secretary General, Al-Khoei Institute, al-Najaf al Ashraf, Iraq

Rev. Dr. Alison Boden, Dean of Religious Life and of the Chapel, Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey

Sayyid Mohammad Baqir al-Kashmiri Head, Department of Religious Studies, Imam Mahdi Association of Marjaeya, and North American representative of Grand Ayatollah Ali al-Sistani

Dr. Andrew Murphy, Department of Political Science, Rutgers University-New Brunswick

COFFEE BREAK – 2:30-2:45

TUESDAY EVENING October 20th

DINNER – 7:00-9:00

Augustus Richard Norton, Director, Institute for Iraqi Studies, and Professor of Anthropology and International Relations, Boston University *Modern Hatreds and Middle East Rivals*

WEDNESDAY MORNING October 21st

Panel 8 Roundtable on Moving Forward with the Project: Youth and Combating Radical Extremism in the 21st Century – 9:00-11:00

Moderators: Eric Davis, Jean-Marc Coicaud and John Cohen, School of Criminal Justice, and Senior Adviser, Institute of Emergency Preparedness and Homeland Security, Rutgers University-Newark

Themes and strategies in countering radical extremism among youth

Future conferences and workshops

Development of the Global Futures University Consortium

LUNCH AND FINAL REMARKS – 11:00-12:30

PLANNING SESSION – YOUTH AND COMBATING RADICAL EXTREMISM IN THE 21ST CENTURY – 1:00-4:00 – venue TBA



Engy Abdelkader

Engy Abdelkader, J.D., LL.M, teaches graduate courses on international human rights for Rutgers University. She serves on the US State Department Religion and Foreign Policy Working Group, as well as a religious freedom advisor to the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe. As chairperson of the ABA Section of Individual Rights and Responsibilities (IRR) Committee on National Security and Civil Liberties, her committee's work earned the 2014 Committee Excellence Award for providing leadership on human rights, civil rights, and the rule of law. Dr. Abdelkader now co-chairs the IRR Committee on Religious Freedom. A legal fellow with the Institute for Social Policy and Understanding, her scholarship has been published in the *Fordham International Law Journal*, *Asian American Law Journal* at

Berkley Law, and *University of Washington Pacific Rim Law and Policy Journal*, among others. Abdelkader holds two US law degrees, including credentials from Rutgers and the University of Pennsylvania Law School where she graduated with academic distinction.

Abdalla Uba Adamu

Prof. Dr. Abdalla Uba Adamu, PhD Sussex, UK, 1988, is Professor of Science Education and Curriculum Studies, Department of Science and Technology Education, and Media and Cultural Communication, Department of Mass Communications, at Bayero University, Kano, Nigeria. His main research focus is technology and the new media use among the urban and transnational media flows and their impact on the transformation of Muslim Hausa popular culture especially in literature, film, music and performing arts. He is the creator of the Foundation for Hausa Performing Arts (Kano, Nigeria at www.fohapa.com) whose main focus is archiving traditional performing arts heritage of the Muslim Hausa. He categorizes his research as falling in the domain of media anthropology. His most recent book is *Passage from India: Transnational Media Flows and African Cinema: The Video Film in Northern Nigeria* (Ohio University Press, forthcoming). His other recent publications include, "The muse's journey: transcultural translators and the domestication of Hindi music in Hausa popular culture," *Journal of African Cultural Studies*, London (June 2010), and chapters in, *Nollywood and Beyond: The Transnational Dimensions of an African Cinema* (ed. Mathias Krings and Onookome Okome, Indiana 2012), *Transporting Oral Literatures between Media, Cultures and Languages* (eds. Joe McIntyre and Mechthild Rey, Cologne, 2011), *Viewing African Cinema in the Twenty-First Century: FESCAPO Art Films and the Nollywood Video Revolution* (ed. Mahir Saul and Ralph A. Austen, Ohio, 2010), *Popular Media, Democracy and Development in Africa* (ed. Herman Wasserman, 2010, London), *Media and Identity in Africa* (ed. Kimani Njogu and John Middleton, 2009, London), *Global Soundtracks: Worlds of Film Music* (ed. Mark Slobin 2008, Connecticut) and *Beyond the Language Issue – The Production, Mediation and Reception of Creative Writing in African Languages* (ed. Anja Oed, 2008, Cologne). In Nigeria, Dr. Adamu has published, *Transglobal Media Flows and Hausa Popular Culture* (Kano: Visually Ethnographic Productions, 2007) and he has served as a judge on seven film awards in Nigeria.



Over the year, Dr. Adamu presented special invited guest lectures on Muslim Hausa popular culture at the University of Florida at Gainesville (2010), University of Basel, Switzerland (2009), Barnard College, Columbia University (2007), Hamburg University (2008), School of Oriental and African Studies, London (2007) and the University of Cologne (2004).

He is the country partner for Volkswagen Foundation research initiative Passages of Culture (2008-2013), which shares knowledge and research findings in popular culture between African (Bayero University, Kano, Nigeria; University of Cameroon, Yaoundé; and University of Wits, South Africa), German (University of Freiburg) and Swedish (University of Basel) universities and scholars.

Dr. Adamu is also a filmmaker with his own production company, Visually Ethnographic Productions (Kano, Nigeria), whose most recent film is *Equestrian Elegance: The Hawan Sallah Pageantry of Kano Emirate* (2009) which records the Sallah durbar pageantry of Kano. He is currently shooting another documentary, *Al-Hausawi Al-Hindawi–The Hausa Indian* (a film about a young Hausa who hosts his own radio program in Hindi language in Kano). The film will be premiered at the University of Warsaw, Poland, in April 2012.



Saladdin Ahmed

Saladdin Ahmed is a philosopher with specializations in political philosophy and Critical Theory. Most recently, he was an Assistant Professor of Philosophy at Mardin Artuklu University in southeastern Turkey. He holds a Ph.D. in Philosophy from the University of Ottawa and is currently working on a book entitled *Totalitarian Space and the Destruction of Aura*.

Hassana Alidou

Hassana Alidou presented her credentials as Niger's ambassador to the United States to President Barack Obama on February 23, 2015. This is her first ambassadorial post.

Ambassador Alidou was born in 1963. Her parents were community leaders and instilled a sense in her that she should serve her community as well. She graduated in 1987 from Université de Niamey in Niger's capital with a B.S. in linguistics. After being denied acceptance in graduate school in Niger, Ambassador Alidou went to the United States to pursue graduate studies with the help of a U.S. government-funded Thomas Jefferson Fellowship.



Ambassador Alidou attended the University of Illinois, earning a master's degree in linguistics in 1991. She taught for a time at Illinois, and then in 1993 returned to Niger and was a lecturer at her alma mater.

The following year, Ambassador Alidou worked as a consultant for the German Foundation for International Development Basic Education Project in Niger, Mali and Burkina Faso and in 1996 added work as senior education and literacy consultant for the Dutch Development Agency in Niger. In 1997, she received her Ph.D. in linguistics from Illinois.

Ambassador Alidou served as an assistant professor of English as a second language and multicultural education coordinator at Texas A&M University from 1998 to 2002. While there, she continued to pursue education issues abroad. In 1999-2000, she was a lecturer for The World Bank Education Specialists Institute of Development Studies at Britain's Sussex University and from 2000 to 2003, a senior consultant and academic director of the German Foundation for International Development, UNICEF and the Burkina Faso Ministry of Education bilingual education and literacy and reading project.

In 2002, Ambassador Alidou became a professor at Alliant International University in San Diego. She continued to work on education projects in Africa, however. Her focus is on promoting the early education of African students in their indigenous language, rather than the colonial language such as French or English as is the case now. As part of that work, Ambassador Alidou consults on bi/multilingual and mother tongue education in Africa for the UNESCO Institute for Education. She was the regional director of UNESCO in Abuja, Nigeria.

Ambassador Alidou's twin sister, Dr. Ousseina Alidou, is a professor at Rutgers University.



Ousseina Alidou

Dr. Ousseina D. Alidou is Professor in the Department of African, Middle Eastern and South Asian Languages and Literatures and Comparative Literature at Rutgers University. She directed the Center for African Studies at Rutgers University (2009-Spring 2015); She taught in several American Universities (University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign; The Ohio State University; Ohio University; Cleveland State) and was a visiting Professor at the University of Hamburg in Germany and the University of Lueneburg (Germany); Université Abdou Moumouni (Republic of Niger); University of Winneba (Ghana); She is currently a Senior Associate Fellow at the Bayreuth International Graduate School of African Studies (Germany).

She also serves as a Senior Faculty Advisor to UNESCO BREDA's Working Group in Partnership with African Countries on Youth, Employment and Educational Reform and on Working Group on Gender and Transformative Leadership Curriculum Design.

Professor Alidou is a theoretical linguist whose research focuses on women's agency in African Muslim societies; gendered discourses of citizenship and rights; gender, education, politics and leadership. She is the author of *Muslim Women in Postcolonial Kenya: Leadership, Representation, Political and Social Change* (Madison: University of Wisconsin Press, 2013); *Engaging Modernity: Muslim Women and the Politics of Agency in Postcolonial Niger* (Madison: University of Wisconsin Press, 2005, a runner-up Aidoo-Schneider Book Prize

of Women's Caucus of the Association of African Studies); co-edited *Post-Conflict Reconstruction in Africa with Ahmed Sikainga* (Trenton: Africa World Press, 2006) and *A Thousand Flowers: Social Struggles Against Structural Adjustment in African Universities*, Co-edited with Silvia Federici and George Caffentzis (Trenton, NJ: Africa World Press, 2000);. In addition, she has published over 50 book chapters and articles which appear in *Research in African Literatures*, *Sprache und Geschichte in Afrika (SUGIA)*; *Comparative Literature*; and *Comparative Studies of South Asia, Africa and the Middle East*; and *Africa Today*.

Professor Alidou is the recipient of several national and international scholarly and service awards including: Obafemi Awolowo Center for Gender and Social Policy Studies Distinguished Visiting Scholar Service Award (2015); Carnegie African Diaspora Fellowship Award (2015); Newark Women-in-the Media Distinguished Community Service Award (2015); Rutgers University 2011 Warren I. Susman Award for Excellence in Teaching; Africa America Institute's Distinguished Alumni Award (2010); Ford Foundation Human Rights and Social Justice Grant Award (2005); Rutgers University Board of Trustee's Scholarly Excellence Award (2005); University of Hamburg, GERMANY, Visiting Professor Fellowship, Department of Linguistics and African Studies and Graduate Faculty of Intercultural Education (2003) ; and University of Lueneburg Graduate Faculty in Postcolonial Cultural Studies Visiting Scholars' Writing Fellowship Award (2002).

Alison Boden

The Rev. Dr. Alison L. Boden is Dean of Religious Life and of the Chapel at Princeton University, a position she has held since August 2007. Previously, she served twelve years as Dean of Rockefeller Memorial Chapel and Senior Lecturer in the Divinity School at the University of Chicago, and as co-chair of its Human Rights Program board. Dean Boden is an ordained minister in the United Church of Christ and served as the Protestant chaplain at Union College as well as the University Chaplain for Bucknell University before joining the University of Chicago in 1995. She received her A.B. in drama from Vassar College, her M.Div. at Union Theological Seminary and her Ph.D. from the University of Bradford in the United Kingdom. She has authored numerous articles and chapters on religion in addition to a book, *Women's Rights and Religious Practice* (Palgrave 2007). At Princeton and Chicago her course offerings have included such topics as religion and human rights, the rights of women, and religion and violence.



She has participated in a variety of capacities with numerous non-governmental organizations, including Religions for Peace, the Institute for Global Engagement, UNFPA, the Parliament of the World's Religions, and the Carter Center, particularly on the topic of women of faith as intentional agents of peacebuilding and security.



Chérif Chako

Dr. Chérif Chako, Doctorates in Economics 1986, 1993 from University of Paris I, Sorbonne, has held many positions working with the Government of Niger for the last thirty years, including Executive of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and External Partners, Economic Advisor to the Prime Minister. In 1997, he was elected President of the Assembly of Shelter Afrique and of the African Habitat Fund by the African Ministers of Housing, Chairman of the African Ministers of Housing. At present, he is the coordinator to the Development Service, Evangelical Church of the Republic of Niger, and an International Consultant.

In his academic career, Dr. Chako has been a lecturer at the University Abdou Moumouni in Public Economics and Management of Organizations, and Coordinator of the MA bdegree Program in Project Management and Management of Social Solidarity Economy Organizations. Currently, he is a lecturer at the School of Meteorology and Civil Aviation, Economic Calculation and Operational Research, as well as lecturer at Private Institutes, the National School of Administration and in the Boston University Exchange Program in Niamey.

Dr. Chako is also the chairman of the Nigerien Network for Social Solidarity Economy, member of the Counsel of the Turin Academy for Social Solidarity Economies, member of the International Network for Social Solidarity Economies and founding Member of the Nigerien Association for Family Welfare. His research interests lie in the field of Political Economy: the economic analysis of poverty, inequality and applied economics to the fields of health care and water resources, as well as the economics of organization and the relationship between economics and religion. Dr. Chako has worked extensively on reconciliation projects with Muslim and Christian youth in Niger.

John D. Cohen

John D. Cohen currently serves as a Professor in the Rutgers University School of Criminal Justice and a Senior Adviser in the University's Institute for Emergency Preparedness and Homeland Security. He is also an on-air expert for ABC News on Homeland Security, terrorism and law enforcement issues. He has over three decades of experience in law enforcement and homeland security. Most recently he served as the Acting Under-Secretary and Principal Deputy Under-Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis (I&A), United States Department of Homeland Security (DHS). As the senior career official within the office, Mr. Cohen served as the chief operating officer of the organization within DHS responsible for the gathering, analysis and dissemination of intelligence information.. Mr. Cohen also served as the Department's Counterterrorism Coordinator overseeing the development and implementation of Department-wide counterterrorism operational activities and programs, to include those associated with the detection and prevention of, response to, and recovery from acts of terrorism in the United States. Mr. Cohen also led the Department's efforts to establish multi-disciplinary programs focused on: countering violent extremism; preventing and responding to mass casualty/active shooter attacks; improving information sharing; and expanding DHS' interactions and collaboration with faith communities.



Prior to his current assignment, he served as the Senior Advisor to the Program Manager for the Information Sharing Environment, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, where he authored and coordinated the implementation of key components of the 2007 National Strategy for Information Sharing.

Mr. Cohen has an extensive background in homeland security and law enforcement operations and policy development. He was Senior Homeland Security Policy Advisor to a number of State and local officials including the Governors of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the State of Arizona. In 2004 he was selected by the National Journal as one of the "100 Key People in Homeland Security." He has worked within the private sector and has held a variety of government positions including: Special Agent, Office of Naval Intelligence; Police Detective and Patrol Officer, City of Gardena, CA; Senior Investigator, House Judiciary Committee, U.S. House of Representatives; and Senior Policy Advisor to the Director, Office of National Drug Control Policy, Executive Office of the President of the United States. He is the recipient of a number of awards and commendations including the Drug Enforcement Administration "Administrator's Award," The South Bay "Medal of Valor," and the Department of Homeland Security's "Distinguish Service Medal."



Jean Marc Coicaud

Jean-Marc Coicaud is Professor of Law and Global Affairs in the Rutgers Law School, and Director of the Division of Global Affairs at Rutgers University. He is also a Global Ethics Fellow with the Carnegie Council for Ethics in International Affairs. Dr. Coicaud holds a Ph.D. in Political Science-Law from the University of Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne and a Doctorat d'État in Political Theory from the Institut d'Études Politiques of Paris. He was a fellow at Harvard University from 1986 to 1992. Dr. Coicaud has published 14 books and more than 70 chapters and articles in the fields of comparative politics, political and legal theory, international relations, and international law. From 2003 to 2011, he served as the Director of the United Nations University (UNU) Office at the United Nations Headquarters in New York City and from 1992 to 1996, he served in the

Executive Office of the United Nations Secretary-General as a speechwriter for Dr. Boutros Boutros-Ghali. Jean-Marc Coicaud serves on the advisory board of Global Policy Journal (London).

Brian Daniels

Dr. Brian I. Daniels is the director of research and programs for the Penn Cultural Heritage Center at the University of Pennsylvania Museum and a research associate at the Smithsonian Institution. Dr. Daniels co-directs the Safeguarding the Heritage of Syria and Iraq Project, which aims to enhance the protection of cultural heritage by supporting professionals and activists in conflict areas, and leads a National Science Foundation-supported study about the intentional destruction of cultural heritage in conflict. He has also worked with indigenous communities on issues surrounding heritage rights and repatriation for over fifteen years.



Previously, he served as the manager of the National Endowment for the Humanities regional center initiative at San Francisco State University, where he worked on strategies for community engagement and heritage documentation. Dr. Daniels received his doctoral degree from the University of Pennsylvania.



Eric Davis

Dr. Eric Davis, Ph.D, University of Chicago, is professor of political science, Executive Director of the MA Program in Political Science – United Nations and Global Policy Studies, and former director of the Center for Middle Eastern Studies at Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ. He also directs the Global Futures University Consortium, an international association of global policy analysts. He is author of *Challenging Colonialism: Bank Misr and Egyptian Industrialization, 1920-1941*, Princeton University Press, 1983, Arabic translation, Institute for Arab Development, Beirut, 1986, and Dar al-Sharook, Cairo, 2009; *Statecraft in the Middle East: Oil, Historical Memory and Popular Culture* (with Nicolas Gavrielides) University Presses of Florida, 1991; *Memories of State: Politics, History and Collective Identity in Modern Iraq*,

University of California Press, 2005, Arabic translation Arab Institute for Research and Publishing, 2008; and the forthcoming, *Taking Democracy Seriously in Iraq*, Cambridge University Press. Dr. Davis was a Carnegie Scholar in 2007-2008 and regularly lectures at the US Department of State's Foreign Service Institute and presents in Arabic on al-Jazeera Television. He is currently writing a book, *Combatting Terrorism in the 21st Century: the Islamic State, Boko Harm and Beyond*.

Dilar Dirik

Dilar Dirik is a PhD student at the Sociology Department of Cambridge University. She holds an MA in International Studies and a BA in History and Political Science with a minor in Philosophy.

As an activist of the Kurdish women's movement, she has given public lectures in 9 countries and regularly writes columns for various magazines. Her writings and talks have been translated into fourteen languages. Her articles have been published on outlets like Al Jazeera.



Abbas Fadhil

Mr. Abbas Fadhil is a PHD Student in the Department of Political Science at Rutgers University where his major is Comparative Politics with a minor in political science Methodology. He is a Middle East Partnership Initiative (MEPI) alumnus, and received his Master Degree in Political Science from Baghdad University (2005). Mr. Fadhil worked at Baghdad University from 2006-2014 as a Professor and Researcher at Educational Unit for Peace Studies and Human Rights (EUPSHR). He headed the Media Monitor Department at Iraqi Prime Minister Office (2008-2010). His work revolves around Comparative Bureaucracy in the MENA region.

Mr. Fadhil is conducting research on the Quality of Governance in Iraq under the mentorship of Professor Eric Davis. He believes that the one of most crucial problems facing Iraq after 2003 is government ineffectiveness resulting from the lack of professional bureaucrats and, to address this problem, Iraq needs radical and fundamental political, economic, social and cultural reforms in all institutions of the governing apparatus. Mr. Fadhil seeks to develop his project in order to rebuild professional skills for bureaucrats and promote civic engagement and, in the future, seeks to establish a program for developing and measuring government performance in Iraq.

Ambassador Lukman Faily

Iraq's Ambassador to the United States, Lukman Faily, represents a rising generation of professionals, business leaders, and civic activists who have returned home to build a free-market democracy in their native land.

Mr. Faily brings extensive experience in diplomacy, business organization management, Information Technology, and civic activism, as well as a familiarity with Anglo-American traditions and institutions, to his new role in Washington as one of Iraq's most important diplomatic assignments.

From June 2010 until May 2013, Mr. Faily served as Iraq's Ambassador to Japan. Before this assignment, he served as an Ambassador at the Iraqi Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Mr. Faily lived in the United Kingdom for 20 years, working in the Information Technology sector for several transnational companies. During his last ten years in the UK, he held senior management positions in two



major American companies, Ceridan Centrefile and then Electronic Data Systems, which is now part of Hewlett Packard. In addition, he held consultancy and team-leader positions in the Information Technology sector.

While living and working in the UK, Mr. Faily was an active leader within the large Iraqi exile community and served as a trustee for several non-governmental Iraqi organizations. He also played an active role in opposing Saddam's dictatorship and advocated for democracy and rule of law in Iraq.

Mr. Faily holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Mathematics and Computer Science from Manchester Metropolitan University in the UK in 1988. Continuing his postgraduate studies, he has completed a Master in Business Administration (MBA) in Technology Management and a postgraduate degree in Computing for Commerce and Industry.

Fluent in English, Arabic and Kurdish, Ambassador Faily was born in Baghdad in 1966. He is married to Mrs. Lameis Faily and is the father of four boys.



John Farmer

John Farmer, J.D., was appointed University Professor in 2014 and currently serves as Justice Alan B. Handler Scholar and Special Counsel to the President of Rutgers University. Dr. Farmer is a co-founder of Rutgers Institute for Emergency Preparedness and Homeland Security which has been named a Center of Academic Excellence by the Directorate of National Intelligence. He is also the principal investigator on a \$1.95 million dollar grant from U.S. Intelligence agencies to develop programs that prepare professionals to work in intelligence and national security positions.

Rabbi Reuven Firestone

Reuven Firestone was born in Northern California and educated at Antioch College, the Hebrew University in Jerusalem, Hebrew Union College where he received his M.A. in Hebrew literature in 1980 and Rabbinic Ordination in 1982, and New York University where he received his Ph.D. in Arabic and Islamic studies in 1988. From 1987 to 1992, he taught Hebrew literature and directed the Hebrew and Arabic language programs at Boston University. In 1992 he was awarded the Yad Hanadiv Research Fellowship at the Hebrew University to conduct research on holy war in Islamic tradition. In 2000, he was awarded the fellowship for independent research from the National Endowment for the Humanities for his research on holy war in Judaism. Chosen to be a fellow of the Institute for Advanced Jewish Studies at the University of Pennsylvania in 2002, he received the Fulbright CASA III Fellowship for study and research at the American University in Cairo in 2006. In 2012-2013 he was appointed DAAD Visiting Professor in Jewish and Islamic Studies at Universität Potsdam/Geiger Kolleg in Berlin-Brandenburg.



Since 1993 he has served as associate and then full professor of Medieval Judaism and Islam at Hebrew Union College in Los Angeles. Firestone founded the Center for Muslim-Jewish Engagement (CMJE), a joint program of Hebrew Union College, the Omar Ibn Al-Khattab Foundation and the Center for Religion and Civic Culture at the University of Southern California. He serves on numerous committees and commissions on interfaith relations, serves on the editorial boards of numerous scholarly publications and is vice-president of the Association of Jewish Studies. Professor Firestone has lived in Israel, Egypt and Germany and regularly lectures in universities throughout the United States, Europe, the Middle East and Asia. His publications have been translated into German, French, Hebrew, Turkish, Arabic, Albanian, Serbo-Croatian, Macedonian, Indonesian and Urdu.

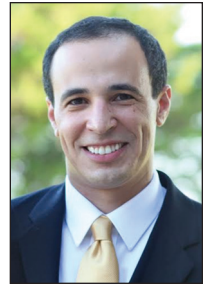


Sayaka Fukumi

Sayaka Fukumi received her PhD from the University of Nottingham, the United Kingdom and is an Associate Professor with the Graduate School of International Relations at Ritsumeikan University, Kyoto, Japan. Her research interests lie in the field of non-traditional security threats, particularly transnational organized crime with emphasis on drug trafficking. Through the examination of drug trafficking, her research analyzes securitization, the impact of drug trafficking organizations on the state, and the drug control policies. Dr. Fukumi's main regional focus is Latin America, but she has gradually expanding her research to South East Asian drug trafficking.

Ayman Grada, Boston University

Ayman Grada, MD, is a physician who has been involved in Libya's political transition, with a special focus on Libyan youth, national identity formation, and state building. Dr. Grada is a cofounder of the Libyan Youth Voices, a grassroots project aimed at youth empowerment and dissemination of democratic values. He is an active member of the American Political Science Association. Dr. Grada earned his medical degree from the University of Tripoli in Libya, and finished his postgraduate training in Boston University. He is currently serving as a dermatology fellow at Boston University School of Medicine specializing in cutaneous wound healing. He holds a master's degree in Health Care Administration as well



Imam Mohamed Hagmagid

Imam Mohamed Hagmagid is a Sudanese-born American who came to the United States in 1987. He attained his religious education in various Islamic disciplines as a Resident Scholar at Al-Medina Institute. Currently serving as the Executive Director of the All Dulles Area Muslim Society (ADAMS), Imam Magid helped establish exemplary religious services for Muslim communities across the nation to emulate. He has much experience serving the nation-wide Muslim community as ISNA's East Zone representative and as ISNA Vice President prior to his election in September 2010 as ISNA President. Imam Magid has a long history of commitment to public service through organizations, such as The Peaceful Families Project, Annual Twinning of Mosques and Synagogues, Fairfax Faith Communities in Action, Interfaith

Conference of Metropolitan Washington Assembly and the Buxton Interfaith Initiative.

Imam Magid strives to create and foster dialogue and increase understanding about Islam. Part of his work with the Buxton Interfaith Initiative included forging a partnership with Rabbi Robert Nosanchuk, then leader of the Northern Virginia Hebrew Congregation in Reston. Both men were recognized by the Washingtonian as "2009's Washingtonians of the Year" for building bridges between their faith communities. Imam Magid continues to provide good counsel for the Muslim community through his regular contributions to ISNA's magazine, Islamic Horizons, as well as a speaker and leader of discussions on imminent issues facing the Muslim American community. He is also well known for his family counseling expertise. Imam Magid lives in Virginia with his wife and five young daughters.

Abbas Kadhim

Dr. Abbas Kadhim is an academic and author with research interests in Iraq, Iran, Persian Gulf, and Islam. He earned a Ph.D. from the University of California, Berkeley in 2006. Between 2005 and 2013 Dr. Kadhim was an Assistant Professor of National Security Affairs/Middle East Studies at the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, California, and a Visiting Scholar at Stanford University. Prior to joining SAIS, Dr. Kadhim held a Senior Government Affairs position at the Iraqi Embassy in Washington, DC. He is the author of *Reclaiming Iraq: the 1920 Revolution and the Founding of the Modern State*, Austin: University of Texas Press, 2012; and "The Hawza under Siege: A Study in the Ba'th Party Archives", Boston University, 2013.



His publications include:

- *Handbook of Governance in the Middle East and North Africa*, London: Routledge, 2013.
- "Efforts at Cross-Ethic Cooperation: the 1920 Revolution and Iraqi Sectarian Identities," *International Journal of Contemporary Iraq Studies*, vol. 4, issue 3, 2010.
- "Forging a Third Way: Sistani's Marja'iyya between Quietism and Wilāyat al-Faqīh, in Iraq, *Democracy and the Future of the Muslim World*, edited by Ali Paya and John Esposito, Routledge, 2010.



Sayyid Mohammad Baqir al-Kashmiri

Sayyid Mohammad Baqir al-Kashmiri is the son of His Eminence Sayyid Ali Naqi, and Ayatollah Sayyid Murtada al-Ridawi al-Kashmiri's grandson. The al-Kashmiri family descends from Mussa Al-Mubaraqaa, son of Imam Muhammad al-Jawad (pbuh). It is a family well known for its Islamic religious involvement. Since his childhood, Sayyid al-Kashmiri moved a lot with his family. He lived in Iran, Iraq, Kuwait and Lebanon. In 2000, he moved to Los Angeles, California and has settled in Dearborn, Michigan since 2011.

Sayyid Mohammad Baqir completed most of his religious studies in Iran, starting in the Holy city of Mashhad and later in the seminaries of the Holy city of Qum. Among his most prominent teachers were Ayatullah Sayyid Muhammad Rida al-Hussaini al-Jalali, Ayatollah Shaykh Hasan al-Jawahiri and Ayatullah Sayyid Kamal al-Haydari.

Sayyid al-Kashmiri has numerous speeches, research papers and articles in various religious and social domains such as history, Quran interpretation, Islamic principles and issues like religion and secularism. He is continuously active in public speaking during the Month of Ramadhan, Ashura, and Islamic conferences. He currently teaches Islamic jurisprudence and is involved in preparing aspiring scholars to start their religious studies at Shia'a seminaries. Also, because of his deep engagement with the Shiite communities in the US, Sayyid al-Kashmiri is always consulted about the specificities of the community by a number of scholars and researchers at Islamic seminaries in Iraq (al-Hawza al-'Ilmiya).

Sayyid al-Kashmiri monitored and issued various Islamic magazines such as Rasikhoon, published in Arabic and English between 2003 and 2005, then Reflections between 2004 and 2010, and Fiqhona between 2007 and 2009. He is also a member of the administrative board at the Council of Shia Muslim Scholars in North America since 2004. He is also a representative of nine former and present Religious Authorities. Currently, Sayyid al-Kashmiri is the founder, Vice Chairman of the Board of Trustees and The Head Department of Religious Affairs of IMAM in the United States.

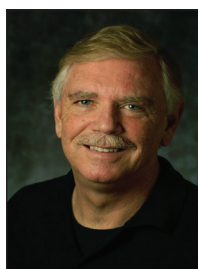
Robert Kaufman

Robert Kaufman is a Distinguished Professor of Political Science, Rutgers University. He received his A.B. and Ph.D. from Harvard University. He has been a Research Associate at the Harvard Center for International Affairs in 1967-68 and again in 1975-76. In 1980-81 he was a Member of the Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, and a Research Fellow at the Collegium Budapest in 1997. From 2001 to 2003, he served as a member of the Executive Council and as Treasurer of the American Political Science Association, and is currently Vice President and President-elect of the Comparative Politics Section of the APSA. He has written widely on authoritarianism and democratic transitions in Latin America and the political economy of economic reform. His current research is on the relation between inequality, distributive conflict, and democratization during the "Third Wave."



He has recently completed a new book manuscript, Inequality, Distributive Conflict and Regime Change during the Third Wave, which will be published by Princeton University Press. Other recent books include Development, Democracy, and Welfare States: Latin America, East Asia, and Eastern Europe, (2008), coauthored with Stephan Haggard. He is also co-author (with Stephan Haggard) of The Political Economy of Democratic Transitions (with Stephan Haggard), winner of the 1995 Leubbert Prize for the best book in comparative politics, awarded by the Comparative Politics Section of the American Political Science Association, and he is co-editor (with Joan M. Nelson) of Crucial Needs, Weak Incentives: Social Sector Reform, Globalization and Democratization in Latin America, 2004.

Articles include: "Inequality and Regime Change: Democratic Transitions and the Stability of Democratic Rule," *American Political Science Review*, August 2012; "The Political Effects of Inequality: Some Inconvenient Facts," *Comparative Politics* 2009; "Globalization, Domestic Politics, and Social Spending in Latin America 1973-1997: A Cross-Sectional Time Series Analysis." *World Politics*, 2001, co-authored with Alex Segura-Ubierno; and "Attitudes toward Economic Reform in Mexico: The Role of Political Orientations" *American Political Science Review* 1998, co-authored with Leo Zuckermann.



Leslie Kennedy

Dr. Leslie W. Kennedy, PhD University of Toronto, is currently University Professor of Criminal Justice at Rutgers University. He is also a core faculty member in the Division of Global Affairs at Rutgers. He was the Dean of SCJ from 1998 to 2007. In his most recent research, he extends his interest in risk assessment, focusing on crime mapping and the development (with Joel Caplan) of risk terrain modeling (RTM) for use by police in preventing crime. RTM is currently adopted by scores of police agencies around the world to help them forecast crime occurrences and respond through problem solving designed to address local issues. He is the author or co-author of 20 books and over 70 research articles and chapters. He

has published in major journals in criminology and criminal justice, including *Criminology*, *Justice Quarterly*, and *Journal of Quantitative Criminology*.

Sayyid Jawad Mohammed Taqi al-Khoei

Sayyid Jawad Mohammed Taqi al-Khoei is the Secretary General of Al-Khoei Institute in Iraq. He was born in the holy city of Najaf al-Ashraf, Iraq, into the family of the Spiritual leader for Shia Muslims, Grand Ayatollah Imam Sayyid Abul-Qasim Al-Khoei. In 1994, he migrated to Iran where he undertook Islamic studies at the Religious seminary of Qom. In 2003, he returned to his hometown to further his education and to become a lecturer in Jurisprudence at the Religious Seminary of Najaf. He graduated in 2008, with a Bachelor degree from the University for Islamic Studies in London. His thesis was on the history of religious minorities of Iraq. In 2010, he obtained his postgraduate degree in Islamic theology from the University of Islamic Studies in Amman. The title of his thesis was *A Comparative Study of the Ten Commandments in the Quran, and the Old and New Testaments*.



Sayyid Jawad is a member of a number of theological and religious organizations, which focus on inter-faith dialogue. He has played the role of a signatory to the “Common Word” initiative between the Muslims and the Christians. In 2012, he received the prestigious award for peace from the Foundation of Relief and Reconciliation in the Middle East, presented by Lord Carey and Canon Andrew White at the House of Lords, England. In 2013, Sayyid Jawad, together with the Christian and Mandaian communities, launched a national inter-faith body in Iraq called “Interfaith Communication and Interfaith Dialogue” (ICID). Sayyid Jawad is a PhD student at the International Islamic University of Science in Amman, Faculty of Da’wa & Religious Philosophy Department of the Islamic faith. He is among the 500 most influential figures in the Islamic world in 2014, according to a study by the Royal Centre for Research and Islamic Studies in Jordan, in cooperation with the Prince Alwaleed Bin Talal Center for Islamic-Christian Understanding, at Georgetown University. He is also the co-director, UNESCO Chair for the Development of Interreligious Dialogue Studies in the Islamic World at the University of Kufa.



Mona Lena Krook

Mona Lena Krook is Associate Professor of Political Science at Rutgers University. Her first book, *Quotas for Women in Politics: Gender and Candidate Selection Reform Worldwide* (Oxford University Press, 2009), received the American Political Science Association’s Victoria Schuck Award for the Best Book on Women and Politics in 2010. In addition to publishing numerous scholarly articles on gender, politics, and political representation, Krook is co-editor with Sarah Childs of *Women, Gender, and Politics: A Reader* (Oxford University Press, 2010); with Fiona Mackay of *Gender, Politics, and Institutions: Towards a Feminist Institutionalism* (Palgrave Macmillan, 2011); and with Susan Franceschet and Jennifer M. Piscopo of *The Impact of Gender Quotas* (Oxford University Press, 2012). Her current research project, funded

by a Faculty Early Career Development (CAREER) Award from the National Science Foundation (2010-2016), examines the broader meaning of electoral quota reforms for women and democracy, exploring trends in legislative diversity, policy-making behavior, public opinion, and mass mobilization through in-depth field work in selected countries in Western Europe, Latin America, and Sub-Saharan Africa. A firm believer in engaging across the academic-practitioner divide, Krook has been a consultant for a variety of civil society organizations, governments, and international organizations in Asia, Africa, Europe, Latin America, and the Middle East on strategies to elect more women to political office and enhance the impact of female politicians. She also wrote the Inter-Parliamentary Union’s inaugural report on the representation of young people in national parliaments around the world, which she presented at the first IPU Global Conference of Young Parliamentarians in 2014. Krook was previously Associate Editor of *Politics & Gender*, and in 2008-2009, she was a Hrdy Fellow at the Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study at Harvard University, as well as a Fellow in the Women and Public Policy Program at the Harvard Kennedy School. For more information, see mlkrook.org or follow @mlkrook on Twitter.

Clifton Lacy

Clifton R. Lacy, M.D. is Director of the University Center for Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Response (UCDPER) in New Brunswick, New Jersey. The Center is a collaborative initiative bringing together subject matter experts from Robert Wood Johnson Medical School, Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital, and Rutgers University.

Dr. Lacy is immediate past President and Chief Executive Officer of Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital and the Robert Wood Johnson Health System. Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital, the principal teaching hospital of UMDNJ-Robert Wood Johnson Medical



School, is a 600 bed tertiary and quaternary health care institution located in central New Jersey and the core hospital of the Robert Wood Johnson Health System and Network.

Prior to that, Dr. Lacy served as Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services under Governors James McGreevey and Richard Codey, leading a department with a \$3 billion budget responsible for public health protection and services, health planning and regulation, hospital financing, public health and environmental laboratory services, senior services, health care policy and research, minority and multicultural health, and health emergency and terrorism preparedness and response. In this role, he directed development and implementation of the health emergency and terrorism preparedness and response plan for the State of New Jersey (referenced in 9-11 Commission Hearings).

Active at state and national levels in health emergency and disaster preparedness and response, Dr. Lacy also serves on the Cabinet-level New Jersey Domestic Security Preparedness Task Force, serves on Governor Jon Corzine's Homeland Security and Public Safety Policy Group, serves on the New Jersey Homeland Security and Preparedness Public Sector Advisory Council, directs the New Jersey Office of the International Center for Terror Medicine (affiliated with Hadassah Medical Organization in Israel), and chairs the Advisory Board of the New Jersey Center for Public Health Preparedness at UMDNJ.

Prior to becoming Commissioner, Dr. Lacy served as senior vice president for medical affairs and chief of staff at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital. He was also associate professor of medicine and chief of the Division of Cardiovascular Diseases and Hypertension and director of the Center for Disease Management and Clinical Outcomes at Robert Wood Johnson Medical School. Dr. Lacy is also Adjunct Professor, Department of Pharmacy Practice and Administration, Rutgers University Ernest Mario School of Pharmacy.

Dr. Lacy earned his medical degree from UMDNJ-Rutgers Medical School, where he also completed a residency in internal medicine, served as chief resident in internal medicine, and completed a fellowship in cardiovascular diseases. Dr. Lacy is board certified in internal medicine and cardiovascular diseases.

Dr. Lacy is a member of the Alpha Omega Alpha Medical Honor Society, a fellow of the American College of Cardiology, and a fellow of the American College of Physicians. He is a recipient of the Distinguished Alumnus Award from the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey and an inductee into the Rutgers University Hall of Distinguished Alumni. He has been listed as one of the Best Doctors in America, named to Modern Physician magazine's list of the nation's 50 most powerful physician-executives, and selected by Modern Healthcare magazine as one of the 100 most powerful people in healthcare.



Viraj LeBailly

A Foreign Service Officer since 2002, Ms. LeBailly joined FSI's Political Training Division in September 2014. She was previously Public Affairs Officer in Dhaka, Bangladesh responsible for all of the U.S. Government's public engagement in Bangladesh. In Dhaka, she oversaw the successful opening and operation of the Edward M. Kennedy Center for Public Service and the Arts, an innovative public-private-partnership American Space. For her work in Bangladesh, Ms. LeBailly was a 2014 nominee for the Department's Edward R. Murrow Award for Excellence in Public Diplomacy.

Ms. LeBailly has served as the Washington-based Public Diplomacy Officer for India, the Sri Lanka and Maldives Desk Officer, and at the U.S. Embassies in Nairobi, Maputo, and New Delhi. Ms. LeBailly received her MA degree in International Relations from Yale University and her B.A. in International Relations from Trinity College, Connecticut.

Barbara Lee

Dr. Barbara A. Lee, former dean of the School of Management and Labor Relations (SMLR) and Distinguished Professor of Human Resource Management, assumed the position of Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs (SVPAA) for Rutgers University on July 1, 2015.

Dr. Lee, who holds a Ph.D. in higher education administration from Ohio State University and a law degree from Georgetown University, has been a member of the Rutgers faculty since 1982 and teaches employment law and higher education law. She has authored or co-authored several books in her field, including *The Law of Higher Education*, now in its 5th edition, *A Legal*



Guide for Student Affairs Professionals, and Academics in Court: The Consequences of Faculty Discrimination Litigation, as well as over 100 articles on employment discrimination and higher education issues.

Dr. Lee has chaired the New Jersey Bar Association's Higher Education Committee and is a former member of the board of directors of the National Association of College and University Attorneys (NACUA). She is an elected member of the American Law Institute, chair of the editorial board of *The Journal of College & University Law* and a NACUA Fellow. The Alice Paul Institute awarded her its Alice Paul Equality Award in 2011 in recognition of her work on behalf of women in the workforce. Rutgers honored her in 2009 with the Daniel Gorenstein Award, for her excellence in scholarship and service to the University over a sustained period of time.



Matteo Legrenzi

Dr. Matteo Legrenzi is Associate Professor and Chair in International Relations and Gulf Studies at Ca' Foscari University of Venice. He holds a D.Phil. in International Relations and an M.Phil. in Modern Middle Eastern Studies from St. Antony's College, Oxford University, where he remains a visiting academic. In Oxford he is also Senior Research Associate at the Centre for International Studies of the Department of Politics and International Relations. He is President of the Italian Middle East Studies Association (SeSaMO). He studied Arabic at the American University in Cairo. He has published several scholarly articles on the GCC and on the international politics of the Gulf as well as writing a column on Middle East Politics for the Italian journal *Mulino*. He wrote two monographs "The GCC and the International Relations of the Gulf: Diplomacy, Security and Economic Coordination in a Changing Middle East" for I.B. Tauris and "Cognitive Analysis of Decision making: The Case of Israel in the October 1973 Conflict" for Vita e Pensiero (Milan Catholic University Press). He also edited three volumes "Beyond Regionalism? Regional Cooperation, Regionalism and Regionalization in the Middle East" and "Shifting Geo-Economic Power of the Gulf: Oil, Finance and Institutions" for Ashgate Publishers and "Gulf Security: Legacies of the Past, Prospects for the future" for Routledge. Before returning to Venice, his hometown, he taught in Oxford, Ottawa and Seoul, winning the Capital Educators' Award in 2009 in Canada. He deals with international relations and comparative government of the Middle East, in particular the political economy, regionalism and security of the Arab monarchies of the Gulf, and the Northeast Asia security complex.

Roy Licklider

Roy Licklider, Professor of Political Science, received his B.A. from Boston University and his M.A. and Ph.D. in international relations from Yale. He taught at Tougaloo College before coming to Rutgers in 1968. He has taught courses on civil wars, international relations, foreign and military policy, terrorism, research design, international political economy, and the comparative politics of higher education. His early research was concerned with nuclear strategy, comparative foreign policy, and the impact of economic sanctions on foreign policy, particularly the Arab oil embargo of 1973-74. His recent research has focused on how people who have been killing one another in civil wars with considerable skill and enthusiasm can sometimes—but more often than you might think—form working political communities. His newest book, published in 2014, is on merging competing militaries after civil wars, based on research supported by a Minerva grant from the National Science Foundation and the Department of Defense. His new project is how different collective memories of civil wars make them more or less likely to recur. He is Senior Research Scholar at the Saltzman Institute of War and Peace Studies at Columbia and a member of the Security Sector Reform Workgroup of the Folke Bernadotte Academy (Sweden). He has taught at Princeton, Yale, and Columbia and consulted for the Political Instability Task Force, the State Department, the Defense Intelligence Agency, the Joint Staff, and the United Nations. He has been President of the Comparative Foreign Policy Section of the International Studies Association, Program Officer at the Exxon Education Foundation, and a member of the Inter-University Consortium for Foreign Policy Research and the Columbia University Seminar on Reconciliation. For nineteen years he was a member of Charles Tilly's weekly faculty/student workshop, first at the New School for Social Research and then at Columbia. He lives in New York City with his wife Patricia, professor emerita of English at John Jay College of Criminal Justice at the City University of New York; their daughter Virginia Still is Bequests Officer for the Planned Parenthood Federation of America.





Rabbi Sivan Malkin Maas

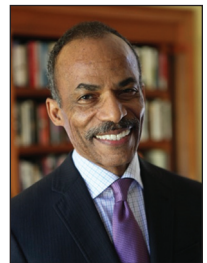
Rabbi Maas is the Dean of Tmura - Israeli Judaism which trains Israeli Leadership & Rabbis in Israel; and president of "Israeli Judaism" a coalition of Secular Humanistic projects and organizations in Israel.

The "Tmura - Israeli leadership" training program is based on humanistic philosophy and values and aims to realize Jewish culture in Israeli life. "Israeli Judaism" provides Israelis with educational materials as well as lectures and seminars for families, young adults and schools. "Israeli Judaism" provides ceremony leaders, for all life cycle events [such as weddings and Bar & Bat Mitzvah, Baby naming etc.] as well as for all the Jewish holidays and commemoration events.

Rabbi Maas is the first Israeli rabbi ordained by the International Institute for Secular Humanistic Judaism in 2003. She studied at the Rubin academy for music and dance as well as at Betzael art and Design College. Rabbi Maas holds a B.A degree in Education and art from SUNY, is a graduate of the Kerem Teachers Training Institute for Humanist Jewish Education, and holds an MA degree from the Schechter College of Jerusalem (established by the Jewish Theological Seminary). She previously ran the Jerusalem "Nachlavia" community council and served as a Jewish Agency emissary to the Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Detroit.

Johnny Mack

Johnny J. Mack has more than 30 years' experience in directing program, administration and financial management systems and operations. His professional background includes serving as a senior executive in healthcare, mortgage banking, community development and nonprofit organizations. His vast experience includes working in social change, peace and conflict fields. He has traveled extensively in North America, Africa, the Middle East, Europe and Asia, teaching and lecturing on the topics of nonviolence peace and development strategies.



Mr. Mack has broad expertise in the highly specialized fields of conflict resolution, peace, and comprehensive community planning and development strategies. He is the former director of the Martin Luther King, Jr., Center for Nonviolent Social Change, Inc. He is a founding member of the board of directors of Realizing the Dream, Inc. Today, he serves as the founding president of Communities Without Boundaries International.

A Certified Public Accountant, Mr. Mack received his bachelor's degree in Business Administration with a second major in Theology from Oakwood University, Huntsville, AL, and is the recipient of the Honorary Doctorate of Humanity conferred by Beulah Heights University. Mr. Mack is the Henry Hart Rice Fellow at the School for Conflict Analysis & Resolution at George Mason University in Virginia, where he about to receive his PhD degree.



Nareen Mamkak

M.A. Kurdish Literature- Baghdad University.

Lecturer of Kurdiology- Salahaddin University.

In addition to teaching Kurdish history, culture and language at Salahaddin University in Erbil, Iraq, Ms. Mamkak conducts research and writing on gender and youth issues in the Kurdish Regional Government (KRG), Iraq.

James Masschaele

Dr. James Masschaele is a Professor of History who currently serves as Executive Vice-Dean of the School of Arts and Sciences at Rutgers University in New Brunswick. He has been a faculty member at Rutgers since 1991 and has served as Director of the Program in Medieval Studies and Chair of the History Department in addition to other administrative positions. He holds a License in Mediaeval Studies from the Pontifical Institute of Mediaeval Studies and a PhD from the University of Toronto. His primary research field is medieval British history. In addition to numerous articles in such journals as *English Historical Review*, *Economic History Review*, and *Past&Present*, he has published two monographs, *Peasants, Merchants, and Markets* (St. Martin's Press, 1997) and *Jury, State, and Society in Medieval England* (Palgrave Macmillan, 2008). He sits on the editorial board of *Speculum*, the flagship journal of the Medieval Academy of America, and is a member of several international societies devoted to the publication of historical records. His current research focuses on the development of commercial law in medieval Europe.





Seyni Moumouni

Dr. Seyni Moumouni is Senior Research and Lecturer at the Institute for Research in Humanities, Abdou Moumouni University of Niamey, Niger, where his areas of academic specialization include: Islamic Studies, Philology and codicology Arab and Ajami manuscripts.

He is the Director of the Institute for Research in Humanities of the University Abdou Moumouni de Niamey (since February 2015). From 2010-2015: Head of Department of Arabic and Ajami manuscripts of the Institute of Human Sciences Research (IRSH) at the University of Niamey, Niger.

Dr. Moumouni is a National Expert in the Courts of the Republic of Niger for questions relating to Islamic law. He is a member of the Memory of the World Committee on Education & Research at UNESCO.

His publications include: (authored and co-authored books) Moumouni S., *Life and work of Sheikh Uthman Dan Fodio 1754 - 1817: From Islam to Sufism*, Harmattan edition (Paris, 2008). Moumouni S., *Practical Guides National Languages: French: Zarma, Hausa, Kanuri, Fulfulde, Tamajek*, Ilca edition (Toulouse, 2005). Moumouni S. & V. Viera Pawlikova, *Voice of Africa's Past*, (Bratislava Slovak Press, 2014). Moumouni Alassane S & S., *Inspiration and spiritual development of esoteric sciences and the exoteric*, ENS- Editions, (Lyon, 2012). Moumouni S. & Viera Pawlikova-Vilhanova (eds.), *The time of the scholars: manuscripts Africans as historical sources: proceedings symposia*, Nigerian study, 61, P350 (Niamey, 2009). Among other research work: thirty-two papers published in national journals, regional and international, forty-six scientific meetings.

Andrew Murphy

Dr. Andrew R. Murphy is Associate Professor of Political Science at Rutgers-New Brunswick. His research focuses on the interconnections of political and religious thought in the Anglo-American tradition, in both historical and contemporary contexts. He is co-author, most recently (with David S. Gutterman), of *Political Religion and Religious Politics: Navigating Identities in the United States* (Routledge, 2015) and of the forthcoming *Liberty, Conscience, and Toleration: The Political Thought of William Penn* (Oxford, 2016). Murphy's previous publications include *Prodigal Nation: Moral Decline and Divine Punishment from New England to 9/11* (Oxford, 2008) and *Conscience and Community: Revisiting Toleration and Religious Dissent in Early Modern England and America* (Penn State, 2001). He edited the Blackwell *Companion to Religion and Violence* (2011).



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Eugene T. Murphy

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Augustus Richard Norton



Dr. Richard Norton's research experience in the Middle East spans nearly three decades, including residences in Bahrain, Egypt, Jordan, Kuwait, and Lebanon. His current research interests include inter-sectarian relations in the Middle East, reformist Muslim thought, and strategies of political reform and opposition in authoritarian states. In the 1990s he headed a widely-cited three-year project funded by the Ford Foundation that examined the state-society relations in the Middle East and the question of civil society in the region. It is indicative of his interests that many of his courses are often cross-listed with the departments of international relations and political science. He has also held academic appointments at New York

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Samuel (Muli) Peleg

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Dr. Peleg studies negotiation processes and peace-building operations and has been a top advisor on leadership and negotiations to the Peres Center for Peace. In this capacity he had taken part in several rounds of peace negotiations between Israelis and Palestinians as well as Israelis and Jordanians. He has also counseled the Prime Minister’s office, the Foreign Office and the National Security Council. Currently, Professor Peleg serves as a Fellow and board member of The Martin Luther King- Realizing the Dream Foundation as well as serving on the advisory board of the Justice Project. In 2003, Dr. Peleg was a founding member of One Voice, an organization which promotes reconciliation between the various factions of the Israeli society as well as between Israelis and Palestinians.

Javaria Saeed

Head, Muslim Youth Partnership Department, and Head, Muslim Engagement for Muslim Communities, Scotland Yard, London

Javaria Saeed is a highly regarded and talented officer and selected for the prestigious fast track promotion scheme will excel her to senior ranks within policing. What sets Ms. Saeed apart from her contemporaries is that she joined the Police Service after the 7/7 bomb attacks in London with a personal mission to counter extremism. This sense of purpose combined with her unique insight and strategic ability has enabled her to skilfully handcraft a new and innovative approach to tackling the global threat of radicalisation and extremism that we all face today.



As a uniformed police officer, Ms. Saeed was instantly recognised as being different and special; one with enormous talent, she earned a first class reputation as an outstanding crime fighter working in some of the most difficult and challenging areas across London. She later specialised as a Counter Terrorism Officer and so impressed selection interview panel that they recorded that no one had ever scored perfect marks and that she had personally raised the bar setting a new standard.

In her present role, Ms. Saeed is Head of Muslim Engagement for London and Head of the Muslim Youth Partnership Department (MYPD) which she founded. The MYPD is based upon a five tiered strategy that tackles Youth Issues, the role of Women and Girls, Parents and Teachers, Imams and Community Leaders and perhaps most importantly is at the forefront of developing new counter narratives in tackling the radicalisation agenda within the virtual cyberspace. Ms. Saeed has designed and launched a social media campaign reaching out to young people using the platforms that are attractive to them. This is proving to be extremely successful and is set to revolution the way we engage with young people and provide them with a voice in fighting extremism. Javaria has also used her experiences and skills in writing lyrics for a rap 'Survivor' encouraging young people to stand up to extremism and hatred, track is set to release in October.

Ms. Saeed is a devout Muslim and has an in-depth knowledge and understanding of Islam, having begun her religious studies at a very young age, which has earned her a scholarly reputation throughout Muslim Communities in London. Her views are different and interesting, displaying a fusion between religiosity and a modern lifestyle - earning admiration from all sections of the community, young and old, men and women, Muslims and all other faiths.

Ms. Saeed also leads on many national issues, including Honour Based Abuse, Forced Marriage, Female Genital Mutilation and the national We Stand Together campaign across England and Wales. She has presented her personal analysis of the inherent correlation between extremism and its degradation to the rights of women including the reality of greater sufferance of harm, abuse, violence and even death. A cause that she is committed to combating in saving lives of vulnerable innocent women and girls across the world. She had presented her thinking on the international stage including London, Geneva and more recently in Washington at the headquarters of the FBI.

As a recognised authority on these issues in her own right she has written many articles shining light on such important issues and has enabled deeper understanding by providing an Islamic perspective through Holy Quranic verses and Islamic Scriptures. All of which have received widespread acknowledgement and excellent feedback from public commentators.

Ms. Saeed is providing a new prospective on understanding extremism, embedding a fresh culture of integrated approaches and creating a voice for young people to have a meaningful stake in their future. She offers innovative solutions to common challenges faced by the world today.



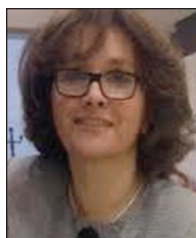
Shaykh Fadel Al-Sahlani

Shaykh Fadel Al-Sahlani is Director of the Al Khoei Foundation, New York, NY, and a close confidant of the grand religious scholars of the Islamic Seminary. He was a general representative of the late Grand Ayatollah Sayyid Abu Al-Qasim Al-Khoei, and is now a general representative of His Eminence Grand Ayatollah Sayyid Ali Al-Sistani. After receiving his Master's Degree, Shaykh Al-Sahlani traveled to Pakistan where he was active in the Iraqi opposition in that country, overseeing the publication of a magazine that revealed the atrocities of the Saddam regime. After much harassment from the Iraqi embassy in Pakistan, Shaykh Al-Sahlani was forced to migrate to London, UK, where he was a member of the first council of Iraqi religious scholars in the country. Shaykh Al-Sahlani was chosen by the late Grand

Ayatollah Sayyid Abu Al-Qasim Al-Khoei to head the Al-Khoei Foundation in New York. He was later elected the Deputy Secretary General of the Al-Khoei Foundation. In 1995, he was among the founders of the Council of Shia Muslim Scholars in North America, and is still an active member of the Board of Trustees of the organization.

Norman Samuels

Dr. Norman Samuels is University Professor and Provost Emeritus at Rutgers University; he is a full-time faculty member at Rutgers-Newark, and teaches graduate students in the Division of Global Affairs and the School of Criminal Justice, and undergraduates in the Department of Political Science. His scholarly interests include national security, terrorism and globalization. For over thirty years, he served Rutgers in leadership posts including Dean of Arts and Sciences, Provost of Rutgers-Newark, and briefly, Acting President of Rutgers University. He has served on numerous public and civic boards such as the New Jersey Commission on Higher Education, Newark Beth Israel Medical Center, University Heights Science Park, and United Jewish Communities of Metrowest, among others. Dr. Samuels was born in Montreal, Canada, and holds a BA from McGill University and the MA and Ph.D. from Duke University.



Hala Al-Saraf

Hala Al-Saraf is the Founder and Director of the Iraq Health Aid Organization, a registered Not-for-Profit organization, specializing in Health and social determinants of Health, based in Baghdad. Her organization implements mainly US funded projects in different governorates of Iraq.

Dr. Al-Saraf is a graduate of Columbia University. In 1996 she worked in Baghdad with various UN agencies, including the World Health Organization (WHO), implementing training programs, managing health budgets, and collaborating with Iraq's Ministry of Health. In late 2005, she was accepted to the Fulbright Program and came to the U.S. to study health policy at Columbia University, where she earned her master's degree. While in the U.S., Dr. Al-Saraf initiated Project THINK, an interactive, distance learning forum for Iraqi and U.S. medical students. In April 2007, she was honored by the Institute of International Education with the New Leaders Group Award for her efforts in building U.S.-Iraq understanding.

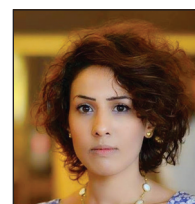
Since 2008, IHAO dealt with different aspects of conflict from psychological impact of conflict on women and families during 2006 up to impact of ISIS on Iraqi community of displaced. IHAO is a 5 year partner of ICRC, collaborated with Doctors without Borders and is a partner of number of US NGOs to help ease the suffering of displaced Iraqis.

Among her interests and areas of research is impact of conflict on vulnerable groups such as Internally displaced people in Iraq and refugees outside the country. She has conducted research on Iraq's brain drain and its impact on health in Iraq in a chapter published in book, *Health Capital and Sustainable Socioeconomic Development*.

Hala Al Sarraf is married and a mother of one daughter and two sons.

Sabreen Khadim Shanshal

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Arsalan Suleman

Arsalan Suleman is the U.S. Envoy to the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC). He works to deepen and expand the partnerships that the President announced in Cairo, Egypt in June 2009, by engaging with the OIC, OIC member countries, and civil society on multilateral affairs and on partnerships in areas such as education, entrepreneurship, health, science and technology, and human rights. Since 2010 he has worked as Deputy to Special Envoy Rashad Hussain. In addition, Mr. Suleman is also Counselor for Multilateral Affairs in the Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor (DRL). He focuses regionally on human rights policy for the Middle East, North Africa, and South and Central Asia, and thematically on issues of Freedom of Expression and Freedom of Religion in DRL's Office of Multilateral and Global Affairs.

Mr. Suleman graduated from Georgetown University's School of Foreign Service with a B.S. in Foreign Service as an International Security Studies major and with a Certificate in Muslim-Christian Understanding. As a George Mitchell Scholar, he earned a Master's degree in International Peace Studies from Trinity College, Dublin. He holds a J.D. from Harvard Law School, where he published several articles on national security and the law and was a Fellow with the Harvard Negotiation Research Project. Following law school, Mr. Suleman clerked for Judge Miriam Goldman Cedarbaum, a federal district court judge in the Southern District of New York, and worked as a litigation associate at the law firm of Debevoise & Plimpton LLP.

Olivier Walther

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Akeel A.Yasseen

Dr. Akeel A.Yasseen has an MSc from Queens University and a PhD from University of Ulster (United Kingdom) in medical and molecular genetics. He was a research fellow at the International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology (United Nation, UNEDO), Trieste, Italy (1989), the Italian National Research Centre (CNR) and the Instituto Superiora Di Sanita in Rome (1990). He was visiting professor at the University of Ulster and at the Centre for Molecular Biosciences of Great Britain (2005), and was honorary appointing visiting Professor at the School of Biomedical Science, University of Ulster (2006–2010). Prof Akeel A. Yasseen was deputy president of the University of Kufa from 1991–2001 and he has been the president of the University of Kufa since 2011. He is a patent holder on the Lymphocytes stimulation of peripheral blood culture by He-Ne Laser.



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