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### Group of 78 Annual Policy Conference

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## SPEAKERS

### FERRY de KERCKHOVE

Former High Commissioner of Canada to Pakistan and Ambassador to Indonesia and Egypt



Ferry de Kerckhove was born in Belgium in 1947. He has a B.Soc. Sc. Honours in Economics, an M.A. in Political Science from the University of Ottawa and pursued Ph.D. Studies at Laval University in Québec City. Ferry de Kerckhove has published several papers on international relations as well as on the relationship between the Muslim world and the West in specialized journals.

After working as an intern at the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), Ferry de Kerckhove became a Researcher at the Québec Centre for International Relations and then later headed up the International Security Section at the Canadian Institute for International Affairs (Québec section).

In September 1973, Ferry de Kerckhove entered the Canadian Foreign Service. After a stint in European Affairs, he was posted as Third Secretary to the Canadian Embassy in Tehran. When Ferry de Kerckhove returned to Canada in 1976, he became Assistant Secretary, Inter-Departmental Committee on External Relations then moved to East European Affairs (Yugoslavia, Hungary, Romania, Bulgaria and Albania). From 1978 to 1981, he was responsible for Canada-France relations. From 1981 to 1985, he was Economic Counsellor at the Canadian Delegation to NATO.

Back in Canada, Ferry de Kerckhove became Deputy Director of the Political and Strategic Analysis Division, then Director of the Economic and Trade Analysis Division in the Policy Planning Bureau. In 1989, he became Director, Economic Relations with Developing Countries Division. In September 1992, he was posted to Moscow as Minister and Deputy Head of Mission.

Ferry de Kerckhove returned to Ottawa in September 1995 to become Associate Chief Air Negotiator. In January 1996, he became Deputy Head of the Policy Branch and Director-General, Federal-Provincial Relations in Foreign Affairs and International Trade. He remained in this position until being named Canada's High Commissioner to the Islamic Republic of Pakistan in August 1998. He spent three years in Islamabad. On September 13, 2001, Ferry de Kerckhove presented his credentials as Ambassador to the Republic of Indonesia. He was also accredited to Timor Leste.

Ferry de Kerckhove returned to Ottawa in September 2003 and joined the Faculty of Social Sciences at the University of Ottawa as a Canadian Center for Management Development Diplomat in Residence.

On August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2004, he returned to the Department of Foreign Affairs and became Director General, International Organizations. In July 2006, he added to his responsibilities the function of Personal representative of the Prime Minister for Francophonie.

From September 10<sup>th</sup> 2008 to September 10 2011, Ferry de Kerckhove was in Cairo as ambassador to the Arab Republic of Egypt.

He retired from the Foreign Service on September 23d, 2011. He is a Senior Fellow at the Graduate School of Public and International Affairs, Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Ottawa, a member of the Canadian Defence and Foreign Affairs Institute, and a member of the Board of the Conference of Defence Associations Institute. He is President of *Ferry de Kerckhove International Consultants Inc.*

## **HON. JOHN MCCALLUM, MP**

Former Minister of National Defence



John McCallum was first elected to the House of Commons in November 2000. He was re-elected in 2004, 2006 and 2008. Mr. McCallum currently serves as the Critic for Treasury Board, Public Works, Government Operations and Housing.

Mr. McCallum has previously served as Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Finance, as Vice-Chair of the Standing Committee on Citizenship and Immigration, and as a member of the Standing Committee on Finance. He then served as Secretary of State (International Financial Institutions) from January to May 2002. From May 2002 to December 2003, he served as Minister of National Defence, and in 2003, as Minister of Veterans Affairs. In July 2004, he was appointed Minister of National Revenue and Chair of the Expenditure Review Committee by Prime Minister Paul Martin.

Before entering politics, Mr. McCallum was senior vice-president and chief economist of the Royal Bank of Canada.

Mr. McCallum worked as a professor of economics at McGill University (1987-94), at the Université du Québec à Montréal (1982-87), at Simon Fraser University (1978-82), and at the University of Manitoba (1976-78).

He is the author or co-author of eight books or monographs and has written on fiscal and monetary issues, comparative macroeconomic performance of OECD countries, Canada-U.S. economic integration, and other economic issues.

A native of Montreal, Mr. McCallum obtained a bachelor of arts from Cambridge University, a Diplôme d'études supérieures from the Université de Paris and a doctorate in economics from McGill University.

Mr. McCallum and his wife, Nancy Lim, have three children.

## **ERNIE REGEHR**

Research Fellow, Institute of Peace and Conflict Studies, University of Waterloo



Ernie Regehr, O.C., is a Fellow of The Simons Foundation of Vancouver and Research Fellow at the Institute of Peace and Conflict Studies, Conrad Grebel University College, the University of Waterloo. He is co-founder of Project Ploughshares and his publications on peace and security issues include books, monographs, journal articles, policy papers, parliamentary briefs, and op-eds. Ernie has served as an NGO representative and expert advisor on numerous Government of Canada delegations to multilateral disarmament forums, including the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty and UN Conferences on Small Arms. In 1990-1991 he was Canada's representative on the United Nations Group of Governmental Experts on Arms Transfer Transparency that led to the creation in 1992 of the UN Conventional Arms Register, and in 2001 he was an advisor to the Government of Kenya in the development of a regional arms control agreement on small arms known as the Nairobi Declaration. Visits to conflict zones, especially in East

Africa, have included participation in Track II diplomacy efforts related to the conflict in southern Sudan, and he is on the Board of the Africa Peace Forum of Nairobi, Kenya. He is a former Commissioner of the World Council of Churches Commission on International Affairs, where he was active in developing the WCC's position on Responsibility to Protect. From 2008 to 2010 he was involved in three visits to Kabul (two with the Canadian "Pathways to Peace" project) to explore reconciliation opportunities and requirements.

## **GHULAM FAROUQ SAMIM**



Dr. Farouq Samim was born in the eastern Afghan province of Laghman in 1977, moved to Kabul after the Russian invasion in 1979, and remained in Afghanistan until 2009 when moved to Ottawa with his wife and four children.

### **Education**

He graduated as MD from Kabul Medical University in 2002 and received his MA in Communication from Communication Dept., University of Ottawa in October 2011 (Title of MA thesis: Communication for Conflict Resolution: The Pashtun Tribal Rhetoric for Peace Building in Afghanistan).

## Employment

Dr. Samim has worked as a translator, local reporter, TV producer and human rights investigator for various media, including leading newspaper and magazines in the United States (Chicago Tribune, New York Times, Los Angeles Times, Time Magazine, The Christian Science Monitor, Starts and Stripes, United Kingdom (Sunday Times, Sunday Telegraph, The Guardian), Germany (Stern), France (Figaro) and Canada (Globe and Mail).

## TV & Radio

Dr. Samim has worked with other media including Al Jazeera English, BBC World Service, National Geographic, RTL (Germany), Irish National TV, NPR Radio, and BBC Radio.

## Human Rights Organizations

He has also been engaged with Human Rights First, Human Rights Watch, and The Crimes of War.

## Publications

His publications include as the Principle Author of "Laghman Provincial Handbook: A Guide to the People and the Province" for the use of NATO forces based in the Province. (<http://www.amazon.ca/Laghman-Provincial-Handbook-People-Province/dp/1936336081>)

## Farouq Samim has been featured in:

- 1- "The Taliban Shuffle: Strange days in Afghanistan and Pakistan", a book by American Journalist Kimberly Barker, who worked with Farouq for 5 Years for Chicago Tribune Newspaper.
- 2- "From Kabul to uOttawa: student seeks resolution to Afghan conflict through communication", an article at the University of Ottawa.
- 3- "One Graduate Student's Mission in the Afghan Front", an article in the Chronicles of Higher Education.
- 4- "Foreign doctors learning new careers in Canada", CBC Radio.
- 5- "The Taliban Shuffle" chronicles ups and downs of reporter's experience in Afghanistan and Pakistan", Local NPR Chicago.

## His previous presentations include:

- 1- Journalism & Human Rights in Transitioning Societies: A sophisticated Taliban media campaign is winning the hearts and minds of Afghans, Journalism School of University of Western Ontario, November 2011
- 2- Afghan Media as a Communication tool for ISAF Force in Afghanistan: A pre-deployment cultural orientation, Petawawa Canadian Force Base, May 2010.
- 3- Lessons Learned during Conducting a Primary Communication Research in Afghanistan, Guest lecturer for Class of Communication, University of Ottawa, fall 2011.

## MICHAEL BYERS

Canada Research Chair in Global Politics and International Law, University of British Columbia



Michael Byers works on the interaction of international law and international politics, with a focus on human rights, the laws of war, Canadian foreign and defence policy, and most recently climate change and Arctic sovereignty. Professor Byers has been a Fellow of Jesus College, Oxford University, and a Professor of Law at Duke University. He has also taught as a visiting professor at the universities of Cape Town, Tel Aviv, and Novosibirsk. He is the author of War Law, Intent for a Nation, and Who Owns the Arctic? He is also a regular contributor to the Globe and Mail, Toronto Star, and National Post.

## NIPA BANERJEE

Professor, Graduate School of Public and International Affairs, University of Ottawa



Nipa Banerjee earned Doctorate and Master's degrees, specializing in development studies, from Toronto, Carleton and McMaster Universities. She served as a practitioner and policy analyst in international development and foreign aid for over 30 years. She worked with CUSO and IDRC and 33 years in CIDA. She represented CIDA in Bangladesh, Indonesia, India, Thailand, Cambodia, Laos and in Afghanistan (2003-2006) heading Canada's aid program in the four latter countries. She joined the University of Ottawa in July of 2007, teaching international development Her primary objective as a teacher is to transfer development knowledge, expertise and skills to young Canadians and prepare them as analytic and critical thinkers and future practitioners in international development. She strives to promote debates and dialogue on development and aid, aiming to influence public opinion and public policies. She has to her credit several published policy briefs and a Chapter on Canada's Role in Afghanistan in a recently published book. Her

research interests include reconstruction, development and aid effectiveness, coordination, management and related policies in fragile states, in general and a special focus on Afghanistan, where she travels frequently. Her other activities comprise capacity building in partner developing countries in planning and managing for results and monitoring & evaluation. She also conducts evaluation of effectiveness of aid in partner countries.

### **SADIQUA BASRI SALEEM**



As a refugee in Pakistan, Sadiqa Basri Saleem FP'09 was close to earning a medical degree when the Taliban closed her Afghan university. After the fall of the Taliban in 2002, she returned to Afghanistan's Wardak province, where 150,000 girls had no hope for an education.

She and three other women pooled their money to found a school for girls in her home village of Godah. With help from family, friends, and donors, that effort—known as the Oruj Learning Center—expanded to four literacy centers serving 200 women and six schools educating more than 2,700 girls.

In 2005, Saleem began studying international relations as a Frances Perkins Scholar at Mount Holyoke College through the Initiative to Educate Afghan Women. Shortly before graduating, she was among six women—including Secretary of State Hillary Clinton—honored by the Vital Voices Global Partnership.

That same spring, she was awarded the prestigious Samuel Huntington Public Service Award.

Since graduating, Saleem has established the first Afghan community college for women, as well as the Family Welfare Center for the Elimination of Violence against Women, a domestic violence prevention project serving 14,000 Afghan women while also training government staff and encouraging spiritual leaders to discuss women's issues constructively. Since 2006, she has been serving as a professional development centers manager for the Academy for Educational Development's Higher Education Project in Afghanistan. In 2010, Saleem received the "People's Voice" Award from the Diller-von Furstenberg Family Foundation and was the Chicago Council on Global Affairs' Patricia Blunt Koldyke Fellow. She is currently enrolled in the MA program of the Communication Faculty at the University of Ottawa.

### **PHILIP MACKINNON**

Former Canadian Ambassador to Iran and Egypt



Born: February 5 1944 in Montreal.

Educated: Queen's University, University of Toronto and Oxford University (History and Philosophy).

Joined the Department of External Affairs in June 1974.

Posted in Tunis, Tunisia (1975-1977), Seoul, South Korea (1980-1983), Geneva, Switzerland (1986-1990), and Vienna, Austria (1994-1998).

Served in USA Transboundary Division (1974-1975), Industry, Investment and Competition Division (1977-1980), and Nuclear Division (1983-1986).

Director of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (1990-1991).

Director of UN and Commonwealth Division (1991-1994).

Director of Western European Division (1998-2001).

Appointed Ambassador to the Islamic Republic of Iran in 2001 and served in Iran from 2001 to 2004.

Appointed Ambassador to the Arab Republic of Egypt in 2004 and served in Egypt from 2004 to 2008.

### **PEGGY MASON**

Peace and Security consultant, former Ambassador for Disarmament



Peggy Mason's career highlights diplomatic and specialist expertise in the field of international peace and security, with a particular emphasis on the United Nations, where she served as Canada's Ambassador for Disarmament from 1989 through 1994. Since 1996 Mason has been involved in many aspects of UN peacekeeping training, including the development of groundbreaking principles on the disarmament, demobilization and reintegration of former fighters. As a regular trainer and exercise developer, she also brings the UN political/diplomatic perspective to a range of NATO and EU training exercises to help prepare military commanders for complex, multidisciplinary peace and crisis stabilization operations. Since 2002 Mason has been a Senior Fellow at The Norman Paterson School of International Affairs (NPSIA) at Carleton University, where she also chairs the Advisory Board of the Canadian Centre for Treaty Compliance (CCTC). Since 2004 she has been Chair of the Board of Directors

of Peacebuild, a network of Canadian NGOs engaged in all aspects of peace-building. A graduate and gold medallist of the University of Ottawa Faculty of Common Law, Peggy Mason was inducted into its Honour Society in September 2003. Peggy Mason is a past Chair of the Group of 78 and is currently a member of the Executive Committee and Conference Planning Committee.

## HUSSAIN RAMOZ

Former Executive Director, Afghanistan Independent Human Rights Commission



**Dr. Hussain A. Ramoz** is a democracy and human rights activist. From 2005 to 2009, he was the Executive Director of Afghanistan Independent Human Rights Commission. The organization focused on promoting and protecting people's basic rights, strengthening rule of law, and good governance. From 2002 to 2005, in his roles as the Senior Program Manager and Deputy Country Director in National Democratic Institute for International Affairs, he assisted more than 50 democratic political parties and civil society organizations to organize mobilized campaigns for building a democratic constitution, to gain seats in the parliamentary elections, and to establish mechanisms for ensuring elections transparency.

Since 2004, Hussain has voluntarily co-founded and worked as Member of Board of Director in a number of not-for-profit organizations, notably Free and Fair Elections Foundation of Afghanistan, Afghan Civil Society Forum, and Afghanistan Human Development Report 2007. In these roles, Hussain has advocated for transparent elections, rule of law, and good governance. He continues with his civic activism in Canada as he is currently a volunteer member of Canadian Center for International Justice.

## DARYL COPELAND

Author and consultant



Daryl Copeland is an analyst, author, educator and consultant specializing in diplomacy, international policy, global issues and public management. His first book, ***Guerrilla Diplomacy: Rethinking International Relations***, was released in 2009 by Lynne Rienner Publishers and is cited as an essential reference by the editors of *Oxford Bibliographies Online*. Mr. Copeland is a frequent public speaker; he comments regularly for the national media, and has written over 100 articles for the scholarly and popular press. His work has appeared in many anthologies, as well as in the *International Journal*, *World Politics Review*, *Foreign Policy in Focus*, *The Hague Journal of Diplomacy*, *Place Branding and Public Diplomacy*, *The Globe and Mail*, *Toronto Star*, *Embassy*, *The Mark*, *iPolitics* and elsewhere. He was awarded the 2010 Molot Prize for best article published in

*Canadian Foreign Policy* ("Virtuality, Diplomacy and the Foreign Ministry", 15:2).

From 1981 to 2011 Mr. Copeland served as a Canadian diplomat with postings in Thailand, Ethiopia, New Zealand and Malaysia. During the 1980s and 1990s, he was elected a record five times to the Executive Committee of the Professional Association of Foreign Service Officers. From 1996-99 he was National Program Director of the Canadian Institute of International Affairs in Toronto and Editor of *Behind the Headlines*, Canada's international affairs magazine. In 2000, he received the Canadian Foreign Service Officer Award for his "tireless dedication and unyielding commitment to advancing the interests of the diplomatic profession."

Mr. Copeland is now Visiting Professor at the London Academy of Diplomacy (UK) and Otago University (NZ) and is a Research Associate at the University of Ottawa's Centre for International Policy Studies. He serves as a peer reviewer for University of Toronto Press, *Canadian Foreign Policy*, the *International Journal* and *The Hague Journal of Diplomacy*, and is a member of the Editorial Board of the journal *Place Branding and Public Diplomacy*. From 2009-11 he was Adjunct Professor and Senior Fellow at the University of Toronto's Munk School of Global Affairs, where he designed and delivered an advanced seminar on *Science, Technology, Diplomacy and International Policy*. In 2009 he was a Research Fellow at the University of Southern California's Center on Public Diplomacy.

Mr. Copeland grew up in downtown Toronto, and received his formal education at the University of Western Ontario (Gold Medal, Political Science; Chancellor's Prize, Social Sciences) and the Norman Paterson School of International Affairs (Canada Council Special MA Scholarship). He has spent years backpacking on six continents, and enjoys travel, photography, arts and the outdoors.