

CONFERENCE AGENDA



MONDAY, MAY 17, 2021

1100-1115: Conference Welcome

- Dr. John F. Stack, Jr., Founding Dean, FIU Steven J. Green School of International and Public Affairs
- Dr. Mark B. Rosenberg, President, Florida International University

1115-1200: A Conversation with Lt. General Andrew Croft

- Lt. General Andrew Croft, Deputy Military Commander, USSOUTHCOM
- Moderated by Alison August Treppel, Executive Secretary, Inter-American Committee against Terrorism (CICTE), Organization of American States

1200-1330: Security Landscape in Western Hemisphere

- Juan Gonzalez, Special Assistant to the President and NSC Senior Director for the Western Hemisphere
- Rafael Guarín, National Security Advisor, Colombia
- Gerry Gouveia, National Security Advisor, Guyana
- Moderated by Dr. Frank O. Mora, Professor, FIU Jack D. Gordon Institute for Public Policy

TUESDAY, MAY 18, 2021

1100-1230: The Impacts of Climate Change on Security in the Caribbean and Central America

- Selwin Charles Hart, Special Advisor to the Secretary General on Climate Action and Assistant Secretary General for the Climate Action Team
- Erika Mouynes, Panamanian Foreign Minister
- Anthony Phillips-Spence, Ambassador of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago to the U.S.
- Moderated by Maria Fernanda Bozmoski, Deputy Director of Programs at the Atlantic Council's Adrienne Arsht Latin American Center

1300-1400: Political and Security Challenges in Central America and the Caribbean: A Conversation with Epsy Campbell Barr, Vice President of Costa Rica

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- Moderated by Luis Guillermo Solis, Former President of Costa Rica and Director of FIU's Kimberly Green Latin American and Caribbean Center

WEDNESDAY, MAY 19, 2021

1100-1230: The Future of Military Institutions in the Americas

- Dr. Kristina Mani, Associate Professor of Politics and Chair of Latin American Studies, Oberlin College
- Dr. Paul Angelo, Fellow for Latin American Studies, Council on Foreign Relations
- Dr. John Polga Hecimovich, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Political Science, United States Naval Academy
- Dr. Craig Deare, Professor and Department Chair, Strategic Initiatives and Leadership, National Defense University
- Moderated by Randy Pestana, Assistant Director, FIU Jack D. Gordon Institute for Public Policy





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THURSDAY, MAY 20, 2021

0930-1100: The Impact of COVID-19 on Security in the Americas

- John Otis, Journalist at NPR and the Wall Street Journal
- Dr. Oliver Della Costa Stuenkel, Associate Professor, School of International Relations, Fundação Getulio Vargas
- Dr. Lucía Dammert, Professor of International Relations, Universidad de Santiago de Chile
- Moderated by Cynthia Arnson, Woodrow Wilson Center

1100-1200: United States Southern Command COVID-19 Fireside Chat with Dr. Anthony Fauci

- Major General Christopher Sharpsten, Deputy Director for Supply, Production and Distribution for the Countermeasures Acceleration Group
- Admiral Craig S. Faller, Commander, U.S. Southern Command
- Dr. Anthony Fauci, Director of the U.S. National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases and Chief Medical Advisor to President Biden
- Ambassador Jean Manes, Civilian Deputy to the Commander & Foreign Policy Advisor (POLAD) U.S.
 Southern Command
- Moderated by Susan O. Moran, Col., US Air Force, MC Command Surgeon, United Sates Southern Command

1300-1400: A Conversation with Dan Erikson, DASD Western Hemisphere

- Dan Erikson, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Western Hemisphere Affairs Policy
- Moderated by Brian Fonseca, Director, FIU Jack D. Gordon Institute for Public Policy

FRIDAY, MAY 21, 2021

1100-1230: The Future of the Amazon: Strategic and Global Implications

- Brian Winter, Editor in Chief of Americas Quarterly and Vice President at AS/COA
- Raul Jungmann, Former Brazilian Minister of Defense and Public Security
- Brenda Britto, Associate Researcher, Imazon
- Dr. Adriana Abdenur, Co-founder and Executive Director, Plataforma CIPÓ
- Moderated by Cecilia Tornaghi, Managing Editor of Americas Quarterly

1230-1245: Conference Closing Remarks

