

**2017 Annual Meeting**  
**Global Politics, Peace, and Security: Navigating Challenges and Opportunities**  
 Washington, D.C.

**Tuesday, May 2, 2017**  
 (various locations)

<p><b>12:00 – 2:00PM</b></p>	<p><b>Concurrent Working Group Meetings</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Budget</b> Location: Mott House, 122 Maryland Avenue NE</li> <li>• <b>Conflict and Atrocities Prevention</b> Location: Wellspring Advisors, 11 Dupont Circle NW, #300</li> <li>• <b>Gender and Conflict</b> Location: Inclusive Security, 1615 M Street NW, #850</li> <li>• <b>Nuclear</b> Location: Ploughshares Fund, 1100 Vermont Avenue NW #300</li> </ul> <p><i>Pre-registration is required</i></p>
<p><b>3:00 – 4:30PM</b>          International Spy Museum, 800 F Street NW</p>	<p><b>Optional: Scavenger Hunt at the International Spy Museum</b>          The <a href="#">International Spy Museum</a> explores the craft, practice, history, and contemporary role of espionage. Join PSFG members for a scavenger hunt in this unique museum! We'll work in teams to answer 20 questions, find a "dead-drop," decipher an encrypted message, and "bug" the other teams. After the hunt, stay a bit longer to check out the museum exhibits.</p> <p><i>Pre-registration is required</i></p>
<p><b>6:00 – 8:30PM</b>          Siroc, 915 15th Street NW</p>	<p><b>Opening Dinner: The State of Global Peace and Security in 2017</b>  <a href="#">Rosa Brooks</a>, Senior Future of War Fellow, New America          Moderated by <a href="#">Joseph Cirincione</a>, President, Ploughshares Fund</p> <p>What is the state of global peace and security in 2017? What has changed over the past few years? How can we operate in an increasingly globalized, yet polarized, world? Join PSFG for a dinner conversation with Rosa Brooks on these questions and the overall state of peace and security in 2017.</p> <p><i>Pre-registration is required</i></p>

**Wednesday, May 3, 2017**  
 The Equality Center, 1640 Rhode Island Avenue NW

<p><b>8:30 – 9:00AM</b></p>	<p><b>Check-In and Sign-Ups</b>          Check in, deck out your meeting badge, sign up for the ever-popular Funders' Soapbox, and help us welcome new PSFG members.</p>
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9:00 – 9:30AM	<p><b>Welcome: PSFG in 2017 and Beyond</b>          Following welcoming remarks by Steering Committee co-chair <a href="#">Paul Carroll</a> (Ploughshares Fund), Executive Director Alexandra Toma will present PSFG’s 2017 – 2019 strategic plan.</p>
9:30 – 10:00AM	<p><b>2017 Peace &amp; Security Funding Index: What’s New</b>          Rachel LaForgia, Program Director, Peace and Security Funders Group</p>
10:00 – 10:30AM	<p><b>Networking Activity</b>          Get to know fellow PSFG members with an interactive networking activity.</p>
10:30 – 11:00AM	<p><b>Coffee Break</b></p>
11:00AM – 12:30PM	<p><b>Concurrent Fishbowl Sessions</b></p> <p><b>1. Bridging the Divide: Peace and Security at Home and Abroad</b>  <a href="#">Patricia DeBoer</a>, Director of Strategic Initiatives, American Friends Service Committee  <a href="#">Jody Myrum</a>, Director, Initiative to Advance Adolescent Girls’ Rights, NoVo Foundation  <a href="#">Amardeep Singh</a>, Program Officer, National Security and Human Rights Campaign, Open Society Foundations</p> <p>Facilitated by <a href="#">Dini Merz</a>, Peace and Security Program Director, Colombe Foundation</p> <p>How do funders connect their domestic and their international peace and security grantmaking strategies? What are best practices to work collaboratively <i>across</i> these different sectors? When considering bridging domestic and international work, what might be some challenges that a funder needs to address? In this session, participants will explore the nexus between domestic and international peace and security work, reflecting on their own cross-sector engagement. <i>Location: Conference Room AB</i></p> <p><b>2. Effective Grantmaking in Difficult Political Environments</b>  <a href="#">Aaron Back</a>, Senior Advisor, New Israel Fund  <a href="#">Ana Maria Heeren</a>, Special Assistant to the President and Program Associate, Egypt Initiative, Rockefeller Brothers Fund  <a href="#">Conrad Martin</a>, Executive Director, Stewart R. Mott Foundation</p> <p>Facilitated by <a href="#">Keith Porter</a>, President and Chief Executive Officer, The Stanley Foundation</p> <p>How can funders successfully make grants in difficult political environments and contexts? What are the major challenges to operating in risky, explosive, or uncertain environments and how can funders overcome them? In this session, participants will share their own experiences, challenges, and lessons-learned to explore how they can be most effective. <i>Location: Conference Room C</i></p>
12:30 – 1:30PM	<p><b>Lunch</b></p>



<p><b>1:30 – 2:45PM</b></p>	<p><b>Concurrent Member-led Workshops</b></p> <p><b>1. Grassroots Nonviolent Movements and Their Impact on Peace and Security</b>  <a href="#">Hardy Merriman</a>, President, International Center on Nonviolent Conflict</p> <p>Participants will discuss how to expand and apply exciting new research about how bottom-up, civilian-led organizing and movements can be a critical factor in: a) preventing and countering terrorism and violent non-state actors; b) supporting and driving peacebuilding processes; and c) reducing casualties in conflict zones, among other impacts. <i>Location: Conference Room C</i></p> <p><b>2. Overcoming Barriers to Funding Locally-led Peace and Security Work</b>  <a href="#">Dylan Mathews</a>, Chief Executive, Peace Direct  <a href="#">Bridget Moix</a>, U.S. Senior Representative, Peace Direct  <a href="#">Natalie Ross</a>, Senior Director, Global Philanthropy and Partnerships, Council on Foundations  <a href="#">Caitlin Stanton</a>, Director of Partnerships, Urgent Action Fund</p> <p>Are you interested in funding organizations abroad but don't know where to start? Do you want to learn how you can support more locally-led work? Drawing upon recent research conducted by Peace Direct and PSFG, this workshop will explore the legal, organizational, and cultural obstacles funders face in supporting local organizations outside of the United States and share strategies for how to overcome them. Participants will have the opportunity to reflect on their own experiences funding foreign organizations and share how they overcame challenges. <i>Location: Conference Room B</i></p> <p><b>3. Collaborating for Increased Policy Impact</b>  <a href="#">Lukas Haynes</a>, Executive Director, David Rockefeller Fund  <a href="#">Frank Femia</a> and <a href="#">Caitlin Werrell</a>, Co-Founders and Presidents, The Center for Climate &amp; Security</p> <p>How can funders best support work to help shape policy change on peace and security issues? Drawing upon lessons from the Climate Security Working Group, this workshop will share strategies on how funders can support collaborative partnerships between NGOs and policymakers. This session will provide participants with insights into one model for collaboration, with a focus on how they can bridge gaps between policymakers and the research and advocacy community. <i>Location: Conference Room A</i></p>
<p><b>2:45 – 4:30PM</b></p>	<p><b>Coffee Break/Open Space</b>  Based on feedback, we've added this extended coffee break for members to meet with one another, catch up on email, or schedule other meetings in Washington, D.C.</p>
<p><b>4:30 – 6:00PM</b></p>	<p><b>Free time</b></p>
<p><b>6:00 – 8:00PM</b>  Darlington House,  1610 20th Street  NW</p>	<p><b>Dinner and Fireside Chat: Peace and Security in the Current Global Context</b>  <a href="#">Eliot A. Cohen</a>, Robert E. Osgood Professor, School of Advanced International Studies, Johns Hopkins University  <a href="#">Suzanne Fry</a>, Director, Strategic Futures Group, National Intelligence Council</p> <p>Moderated by <a href="#">Ellen Friedman</a>, Executive Director, Compton Foundation and Member, PSFG Steering Committee</p>

What’s changing with national and global politics? What’s stayed the same? How does it affect peace and security? In this fireside chat-style discussion, Eliot Cohen and Suzanne Fry will discuss what shifts they see in the peace and security space over the next year or so, what changes in national and global politics mean for international peace and security, and the challenges and opportunities they see in light of these changes.

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**Thursday, May 4, 2017**  
 The Equality Center, 1640 Rhode Island Avenue NW

<b>8:30 – 8:55AM</b>	<b>Coffee and Breakfast</b>
<b>9:00 – 10:30AM</b>	<p><b>Debate: Effecting Change: Working Inside and Outside the System</b>  <a href="#">Sadia Hameed</a>, Program Officer, Atrocities Prevention and Response Program, Wellspring Advisors and Member, PSFG Steering Committee  <a href="#">Andreas Hipple</a>, Senior Program Advisor, GHR Foundation and Better Way Foundation, and Member, PSFG Steering Committee  <a href="#">Dini Merz</a>, Peace and Security Program Director, Colombe Foundation  <a href="#">Stephen Wicken</a>, Investments Manager, Humanity United</p> <p>Moderated by <a href="#">Hillary Wiesner</a>, Carnegie Corporation of New York and Member, PSFG Steering Committee</p> <p>Is it more effective to transform a system by working collaboratively with existing structures, or to challenge the system from the outside? When faced with a set of government priorities you’d like to change, is it better to work with those in power from the inside, as an employee or partner, to bring them closer to your way of thinking? Or is it more strategic to set yourself up in opposition, without constraints imposed by collaboration, embracing the full power of civil society to act as a counterbalance to government?</p> <p>In this interactive, Oxford-style debate, panelists will take on these questions by debating the motion: “It is more effective to change the system from outside.” A fun and creative way to engage participants in a thought-provoking study on all sides of this issue, the audience has the opportunity to vote in favor or against the motion before the debate and after the debate, and to ask questions of the presenters in between.</p>
<b>10:30 – 11:15AM</b>	<p><b>Funders’ Soapbox</b>        Moderated by <a href="#">Theo Kalionzes</a>, John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation and Member, PSFG Steering Committee</p>
<b>11:15AM – 12:15PM</b>	<p><b>Power Hours</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Strategies and Tools for Building Grantee Capacity.</b> How can funders help grantees strengthen nonprofit governance, leadership, and effectiveness? Participants will share and compare strategies for building grantee capacity. Led by Alex Toma, Peace and Security Funders Group <i>Location: Equality Forum</i></li> </ol>



	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. <b>Funding in Decades: Long-term Engagement &amp; the Capacity to Make Systemic Impact.</b> Participants will discuss the challenges and opportunities of long-term funding. Libby Hoffman will reflect on her experiences with a ten-year funding partnership and how the core commitment to cultivating deep relationships across the national/international divide contributed to national healing in Sierra Leone. Led by <a href="#">Libby Hoffman</a>, Catalyst for Peace <i>Location: Conference Room A</i></li> <li>3. <b>Lessons from the Counter-LRA Program Fund.</b> By sharing learning and findings from the Counter-LRA Program Fund, participants will unpack how funders can support local organizations in remote contexts. Led by <a href="#">Adam Finck</a>, Bridgeway Foundation <i>Location: Equality Forum</i></li> <li>4. <b>Approaching New Funding Areas.</b> Shifting directions or exploring a new area of funding? Participants will discuss how to move from vision to reality and build internal and external stakeholder buy-in (e.g., board, president) for new programs. Led by <a href="#">Michelle Dover</a>, Ploughshares Fund <i>Location: Equality Forum</i></li> <li>5. <b>Measuring Program Impact.</b> Participants will discuss what they love and hate about how they measure (or don't measure) the impact of their grantmaking. Led by <a href="#">Amy Bisno</a>, American Jewish World Service <i>Location: Conference Room B</i></li> <li>6. <b>Collaboration.</b> Participants will discuss what they love and hate about collaboration as well as what they have found works and doesn't work. Led by <a href="#">Jennifer Smyser</a>, Stanley Foundation <i>Location: Conference Room C</i></li> </ol>
<p><b>12:15 – 2:00PM</b></p>	<p><b>Digital Security Briefing</b>  <a href="#">John Scott-Railton</a>, Senior Researcher, The Citizen Lab (Munk School of Global Affairs, University of Toronto)</p> <p>Taking measures to mitigate the digital security threat is important for our community, as experts working on peace and security issues are actively targeted. Not only are they targeted for their content, but also for access to the contacts in their networks. Good cyber hygiene is essential not only for individuals and organizations, but for the community as a whole (see <a href="#">Digital Security Low Hanging Fruit Guide</a> for simple things you can do to protect yourself).</p>
<p><b>5:00 – 7:00PM</b>          Open Society Foundations, 1730 Pennsylvania Avenue NW</p>	<p><b>Peace and Security Community Happy Hour</b>          Hosted by Open Society Foundations</p> <p>Enjoy an informal cocktail reception on OSF's rooftop overlooking the nation's capital. This reception provides a great opportunity to meet with and introduce your fellow funders to your favorite grantees. After you have invited your 1-2 grantee partners, please send us their name and contact details to <a href="mailto:fellow@peaceandsecurity.org">fellow@peaceandsecurity.org</a> <b>no later than April 14</b>. Due to security, all participants <b>must</b> be pre-cleared to enter the building.</p> <p><i>Pre-registration is required</i></p>



**2017 FEDERAL POLICY BRIEFING**

**FRIDAY, MAY 5, 2017**

*U.S. Senate*

*Dirksen Senate Office Building, Room 106*

<p><b>8:45 – 9:00AM</b></p>	<p><b>Welcome, Overview, and Introductions</b>          Conrad Martin, Executive Director, Stewart R. Mott Foundation</p>
<p><b>9:00 – 10:00AM</b></p>	<p><b>Tour de Horizon: 115<sup>th</sup> Congress &amp; Trump Administration – NGO Perspectives</b>          Overview of what we can expect to bubble up or simmer down; what are the “hot” peace and security topics in the coming years; and how will our issues play against others on the 115<sup>th</sup> congressional agenda.</p> <p><i>Moderator: Heather Hurlburt, Director, New Models of Policy Change, New America</i></p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Mieke Eoyang, Vice President, National Security Program, Third Way</li> <li>2. Katherine Kidder, Fellow, Military, Veterans, and Society Program, Center for a New American Security – <i>invited</i></li> <li>3. Colin Kahl, Professor, Georgetown University</li> <li>4. Ann Vaughan, Director of Policy and Advocacy, Mercy Corps</li> </ol>
<p><b>10:00 – 10:15AM</b></p>	<p><b>Coffee Break</b></p>
<p><b>10:15 – 11:15AM</b></p>	<p><b>Tour de Horizon: Issues for the 115<sup>th</sup> Congress – Hill Perspectives</b></p> <p><i>Moderator: David Abramowitz, Managing Director, Humanity United</i></p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Paul Arcangeli, Minority Staff Director, House Armed Services Committee</li> <li>2. Minsu Crowder-Han, Congressional Nuclear Security Fellow, Congressman Chuck Fleischmann (R-TN)</li> <li>3. Matt Duss, Foreign Policy Advisor, Sen. Bernie Sanders (I-VT)</li> <li>4. Mike Kuiken, National Security Advisor, Sen. Charles Schumer (D-NY)</li> </ol>
<p><b>11:15 – 11:30AM</b></p>	<p><b>Break</b></p>

<p><b>11:30AM – 12:30PM</b></p>	<p><b>Tour de Horizon: Trump Administration – Executive Branch Perspectives</b></p> <p><i>Moderator: Lora Lumpe, Advocacy Director for Security Sector Governance, Open Society Foundations and Open Society Policy Center</i></p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Kristen Cordell, Fellow, Truman National Security Project</li> <li>2. Kristen R. Hajduk, Couterterrorism Fellow, Center for Strategic and International Studies</li> <li>3. Sarah Holewinski, Senior Fellow, Center for a New American Security</li> <li>4. George Selim, Director, Office for Community Partnerships and CVE Task Force, U.S. Department of Homeland Security</li> </ol>
<p><b>12:30 – 1:30PM</b></p>	<p><b>Lunch &amp; Hill Visits Prep</b></p> <p>Each small group will dine together in the Senate buffet and prep for their meetings with congressional offices.</p>
<p><b>1:45 – 3:45PM</b></p>	<p><b>Meetings with Congressional Offices</b></p> <p>These visits are information-sharing sessions to talk about issues affecting our grantmaking work. PSFG members will <b>not</b> be addressing any specific legislative issues or engaging in direct lobbying activities.</p> <p>Meetings will cluster around the following six issue-areas:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Defense and the Pentagon (led by Stephen Miles, Win Without War)</li> <li>2. Genocide and atrocities prevention (led by Bridget Moix, Peace Direct)</li> <li>3. Terrorism and the Islamic State (led by Madeline Rose, Mercy Corps)</li> <li>4. Nuclear I (led by Kingston Reif, Arms Control Association)</li> <li>5. Nuclear II (led by Erica Fein, Women’s Action for New Directions)</li> <li>6. Gender and conflict (led by Kathy Crandall Robinson, independent consultant)</li> <li>7. Defense, diplomacy, and development (led by Stephanie Cappa, Modernizing Foreign Assistance Network)</li> </ol>
<p><b>4:00 – 4:45PM</b></p>	<p><b>Debrief &amp; Close</b> (Mott House - 122 Maryland Ave NE)</p> <p>Group leaders share top take-aways from Hill visits and celebrate another successful year of policymaker engagement.</p>