

**International Forum on WMD Nuclear Terrorism**  
**December 15, 2022**

Keck Center, 500 5<sup>th</sup> Street NW, Washington DC 20001

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The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine is convening an important day-long session on December 15<sup>th</sup> to support an ongoing study on “[Assessing and Improving Strategies for Preventing, Countering, and Responding to Weapons of Mass Destruction Terrorism: Nuclear Threats](#).” The international forum will directly support the preparation of a committee report in response to a mandate by the U.S. Congress that directed the Secretary of Defense (DoD), in consultation with the Secretary of State and the Secretary of Energy, to commission this program to conduct an assessment of U.S. strategies and programs for managing the nuclear terrorism risk.

8:45 AM

*Welcoming Remarks*

**Stephen Flynn**, Chair, National Academies WMD Nuclear Terrorism Committee

9:00 – 9:15 AM

*Opening Address:*

**Sara Cohen**, Deputy Head of Mission, Embassy of Canada to the United States

9:15 – 9:45 AM

*Experience across many time zones: Reflections of a Federal Responder*

**Dr. Daniel Blumenthal**, Department of Energy Attaché, US Embassy, Islamabad

9:45 – 11:00 AM

*Assessing a Currently Changing Nuclear Landscape and the WMD Nuclear Terrorism Risk*

**Ambassador Kenneth Brill**, Founding Director U.S. National Counter-proliferation Center (2005-10), retired US Diplomat

**Brian Finlay**, President and CEO, The Stimson Center

**Amy Woolf**, Nonresident Senior Fellow, Atlantic Council

*Moderator:* **Stephen Flynn**, Chair, National Academies WMD Nuclear Terrorism Committee

11:00 – 11:15 AM *Break*

11:15 AM – 12:30 PM

*Bolstering International Efforts to Prevent Non-State Actors from Developing, Acquiring, Manufacturing, Possessing, Transporting, Transferring, or Using Nuclear Weapons and Their Means of Delivery*

**Nicki Mokhtari**, United Nations Office of Preventing and Responding to WMD/CBRN Terrorism Unit

**Christian Carnus**, Criminal Intelligence Analyst, INTERPOL

**Richard Cupitt**, The Stimson Center (retired)

*Moderator:* **Luke Hartig**, President of National Journal Research, former senior director at the National Security Council

12:30 – 1:15 PM – Lunch

1:15 – 2:15 PM

*The Importance of International Cooperation*

**Ambassador Bonnie Denise Jenkins**, Under Secretary for Arms Control and International Security, U.S. Department of State

**Administrator Jill Hruby**, Under Secretary of Nuclear Security and Administrator, National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA), U.S. Department of Energy

*Moderator:* **David Sanger**, White House and National Security Correspondent, The New York Times

2:15 – 2:30 PM *Break*

2:30– 3:45 PM

*Resilience to a Nuclear Terrorism Incident*

**Kathleen Heppell-Masys**, Director General, Security and Safeguards, Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission

**Wendin Smith**, Director, Arms Control, Disarmament, WMD Non-Proliferation Centre, NATO

**TBD – Reps from UK/France/Australia/Japan**

**Moderator, Michael Gresalfi**, Former Senior Advisor on Counterproliferation and WMD Threats to FEMA, DOE, and DHS

3:45 – 4:15 PM

*Break, Open Discussions*

4:15 – 5:15 PM

*Roundtable Discussion with U.S. Allies, Panelists, and Committee Members*

**Moderator: Stephen Flynn**, Chair, National Academies WMD Nuclear Terrorism Committee

5:00 – 5:15 *Closing Remarks and Adjournment*