

The Third Annual Women of Color in Transatlantic Leadership Forum

Arena Stage at the Mead Center for American Theater

Friday, December 6, 2019

8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

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All Panels will be followed by Qs and As.

8:30 – 8:55 am Registration & Power Networking

Light breakfast will be served

8:55 – 9:00 am Welcome and Purpose

- **Reta Jo Lewis, Esq.**, Senior Fellow and Director of Congressional Relations, The German Marshall Fund of the United States (GMF)

9:00 – 9:10 am State of Transatlantic Relations with Dr. Karen Donfried, President of the German Marshall Fund of the United States

9:10 – 10:10 am Congressional Roundtable – Shaping Foreign Policy from the Legislative Branch

- **The Honorable Veronica Escobar**, House Armed Services Committee
- **The Honorable Deb Haaland**, House Armed Services Committee
- **The Honorable Brenda Lawrence**, House Committee on Oversight and Reform, Subcommittee on National Security
- **The Honorable Gwen Moore**, Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe
- **The Honorable Lauren Underwood**, House Committee on Homeland Security

Moderator: Yara Bayoumy, Senior Editor, The Atlantic

10:10 – 10:55 am Power Panel 1: Diverse Voices in Foreign Policy

- **Kendra Brown**, Chief of Staff, Congressman G. K. Butterfield
- **Mieke Eoyang**, Vice President for the National Security Program and

Chairperson of the Cyber Enforcement Initiative, Third Way

- **Sophia Lafargue**, Chief of Staff, Congressman Gregory Meeks

Moderator: Shamila Chaudhary, President, American Pakistan Foundation and Senior Fellow, New America

10:55 – 11:10 am Networking Coffee Break

11:10 – 11:55 am Power Panel 2: Changing the Face of Foreign Affairs

- **Wyndee Parker**, National Security Advisor to the Speaker of the House of Representatives
- **Eliza Ramirez**, Legislative Director, Congressman Tom Malinowski
- **The Honorable Mary Elizabeth Taylor**, Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, U.S. Department of State

Moderator: Ambassador Linda Thomas-Greenfield, Senior Vice President, Albright Stoneridge Group

11:55 – 12:40 pm Power Panel 3: Trailblazers in Digital Innovation and International Policy

- **DeDe Lea**, Executive Vice President, Global Public Policy and Government Relations, Viacom
- **Ha McNeill**, Chief Operating Officer, BSA | The Software Alliance
- **Zuraya Tapia-Hadley**, Manager of Public Policy, Facebook

Moderator: Charlyn Stanberry, Chief of Staff, Congresswoman Yvette Clarke

12:40 – 1:45 pm Lunch table Discussions: Making Strides through the Foreign Affairs and National Security Pipeline

- **Maia Estes**, Chief of Staff, Congressman Anthony Brown
- **Chidi Blyden**, Professional Staff, House Armed Services Committee
- **Laura Kupe**, Counsel, House Committee on Homeland Security
- **Laura Maristany**, Associate Director, Governance Program, Democracy Fund
- **Maria Trejo**, Senior Congressional Advisor, U.S. Department of State

Facilitators: **Lora Berg**, Senior Fellow, Leadership Programs, The German Marshall of the United States (GMF)
Dr. Mischa Thompson, Director of Global Partnerships, Policy and Innovation at the Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe

1:45 – 2:25 pm **Conversation: Diversifying Defense and Diplomacy in Transatlantic Relations**

- **Ambassador Marcia Bernicat**, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Bureau of Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs, U.S. Department of State
- **Captain Gail Harris**, ret., highest-ranking African-American woman in the U.S. Navy
- **Ambassador Julieta Valls Noyes**, Deputy Director of the Foreign Service Institute, U.S. Department of State

Moderator: **Nancy Youssef**, National Security Correspondent, The Wall Street Journal

2:25 – 2:30 pm **Moving Forward**

- **Dr. Mischa Thompson**, Director of Global Partnerships, Policy and Innovation at the Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe
- **Reta Jo Lewis**, Senior Fellow and Director of Congressional Affairs, The German Marshall Fund of the United States (GMF)

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