

# BROOKINGS

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## EVENT ANNOUNCEMENT

### Defense Challenges and Future Opportunities *The First Annual Military and Federal Fellow Research Symposium*

Friday, March 26, 2010, 10:00 am – 4:00 pm

The Brookings Institution, Falk Auditorium, 1775 Massachusetts Ave, NW, Washington, DC

On March 26, the 21st Century Defense Initiative at Brookings will host its first annual Military and Federal Fellow Research Symposium, featuring the independent and cutting-edge research produced by members of each military service and select federal agencies during their time in think tanks and academia. Organized by the fellows themselves, the symposium will provide a greater awareness of the valuable policy work our defense leaders are producing at think tanks and research institutions across the nation.

The theme of this first symposium will be “Defense Challenges and Future Opportunities.” Following a keynote address by Lieutenant General John M. Paxton Jr., director of strategic plans and policy for the Joint Staff and a former federal executive fellow at Brookings, panel discussions will focus on the fellows’ independent research findings in the areas of irregular warfare, acquisition and logistics, alliance warfare, and manpower and infrastructure challenges.

After each panel, participants will take audience questions. Lunch will be served.

Please RSVP by Tuesday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> to receive advance conference materials:

<http://quest.cvent.com/i.aspx?4W%2cM3%2c7766b6a6-5c05-4ba2-9ead-63aa97a86074>

#### 10:00 am – Keynote Address

10:30 am

**Introduction: Peter W. Singer**

Senior Fellow and Director, 21st Century Defense Initiative  
The Brookings Institution

**Keynote: Lieutenant General John M. Paxton, Jr.**

Director, Strategic Plans and Policy  
The Joint Staff

#### 10:30 am – Panel 1: Irregular Threats

11:45 am

**Moderator: David Killcullen**

Author  
*The Accidental Guerilla* (Oxford University Press, 2009)

**Matthew Frankel** – “The The ABCs of HVTs”

Federal Executive Fellow  
The Brookings Institution

**John Griffin** - “Putting Somali Pirates Out of Business”

Captain, U.S. Navy  
Center for Strategic and International Studies

**Anthony Popiel** – “Protection of Our Waterways”

Captain, U.S. Coast Guard  
Federal Executive Fellow, The Brookings Institution

## 11:45 am – Panel 2 (Lunch): Acquisition and Logistics

1:15 pm

**Moderator: Vago Muradian**  
Editor  
*Defense News*

**Colonel Timothy Chyma** – “Rapid Acquisition”  
University of Texas

**Tom Miller** – “A National Level Vision Needed for the Defense Sustainment Industrial Base”  
Lieutenant Colonel, U.S. Air Force  
Federal Executive Fellow, The Brookings Institution

**Lieutenant Colonel Shahnaz Punjani**  
National Defense Fellow  
Washington Institute for Near East Policy

## 1:15 pm – Panel 3: Alliance Warfare

2:30 pm

**Moderator: Steven Pifer**  
Senior Fellow and Director, Arms Control Initiative  
The Brookings Institution

**Patrick Warren** – “NATO Survival: Decisions for the Alliance”  
Colonel, U.S. Army  
Federal Executive Fellow, The Brookings Institution

**Gregory Parker** – “Modular Seabasing and 21st Century Alliances: Thinking in Sight of the Box”  
Commander, U.S. Navy  
Federal Executive Fellow, The Brookings Institution

**Hiroaki Uchikura** – “U.S.-Japan Interoperability”  
Colonel, Japan Air Self-Defense Force  
Visiting Fellow, The Brookings Institution

## 2:45 pm – Panel 4: Manpower and Readiness

4:00 pm

**Moderator: Michael O’Hanlon**  
Senior Fellow and Director of Research,  
Foreign Policy  
The Brookings Institution

**Colonel Gregory Dewitt** – “Strategic Black Officer Capital Investment: Increasing Competiveness for General Officer”  
The Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies

**Charles A. McLean II** – “Repeal of Don’t Ask Don’t Tell: Implementation Considerations for Quartering the Force”  
Lieutenant Colonel, U.S. Marine Corps  
Federal Executive Fellow, The Brookings Institution

**Lieutenant Colonel Jeffrey Pounding** – “Capturing the Human High Ground: Developing Army Leader Adaptability”  
Texas A&M University