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PROGRAM DATE: FEBRUARY 5, 2019

CYBER CONFLICT AND GEOPOLITICS

Speaker: FBI Supervisory Special Agent Jim Watson



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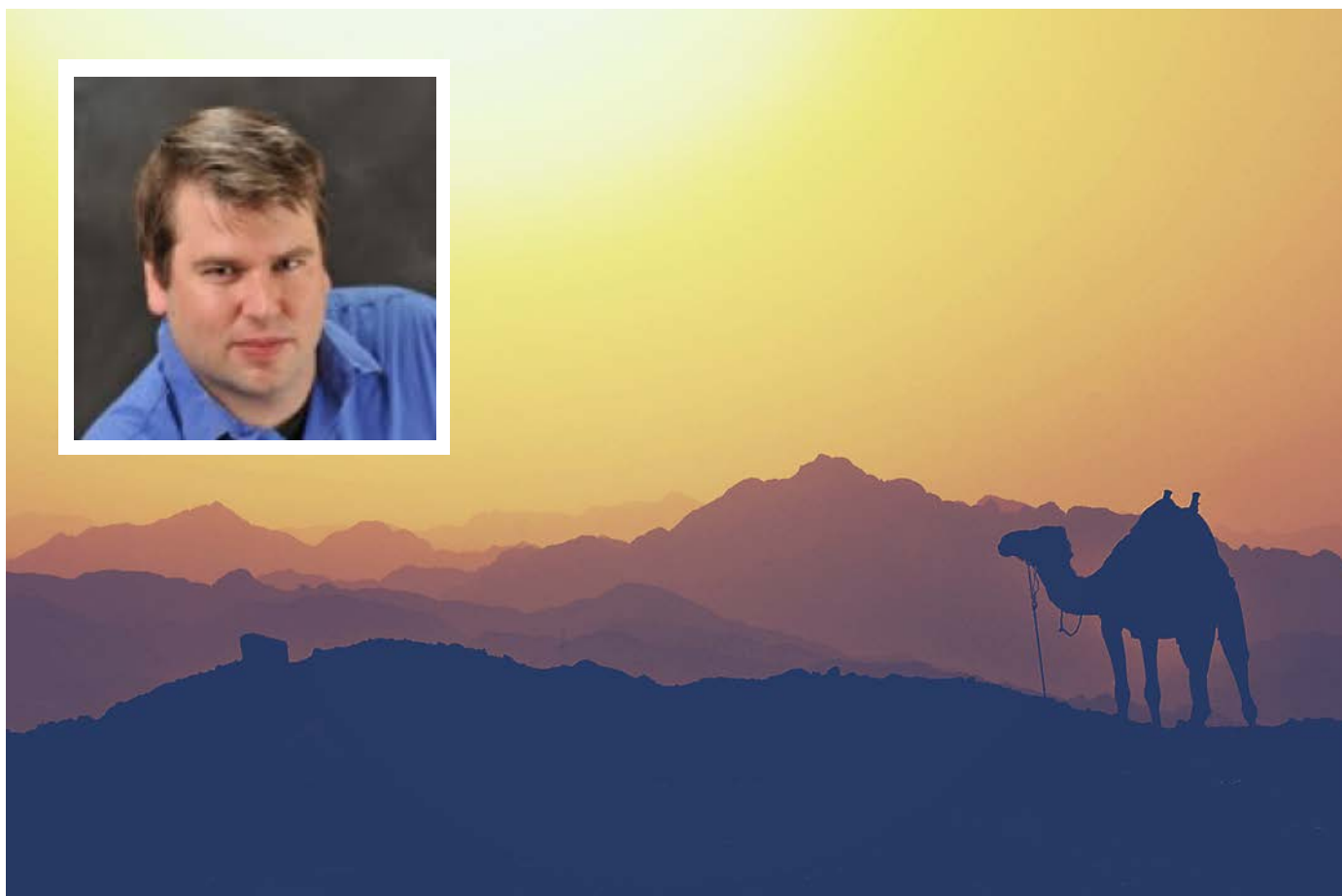
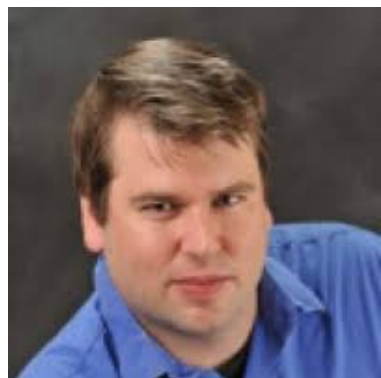
About FBI Special Agent Jim Watson

Prior to joining the FBI in 2000, Supervisory Special Agent (SSA) Watson practiced as an attorney in Illinois and Missouri. During his 17 year Bureau career, SSA Watson has worked cyber matters, both criminal and national security, in Jacksonville, Springfield, FBI Headquarters, and Indianapolis. At FBI Headquarters, as a member of the Cyber National Security Section, SSA Watson was detailed to the National Cyber Investigative Joint Task Force with other government and military components who had jurisdiction in national security cyber matters. SSA Watson has a Bachelor's degree and MBA from the University of Illinois-Champaign, a Juris Doctorate from Washington University-St. Louis and dual Master Certificates from Villanova University in Information Security Management and Advanced Cyber Security.

PROGRAM DATE: FEBRUARY 19, 2019

THE MIDDLE EAST: REGIONAL DISORDER

Speaker: Dr. Doug Woodwell



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About Dr. Doug Woodwell

Dr. Douglas Woodwell is a professor of political science at University of Indianapolis. He has a PhD in Political Science from Yale University, an MA in German and European Studies from Georgetown University, and a BA in International Studies from American University. He is author of books, including *Nationalism and International Relations: Norms, Foreign Policy, and Process: How We Know What We Know*. He has been published in *International Relations Quarterly* and has lectured at Yale. His areas of expertise are in international conflict and research methodology. He has been teaching himself to play the guitar.

PROGRAM DATE: FEBRUARY 26, 2019

NUCLEAR NEGOTIATIONS: BACK TO THE FUTURE?

Speaker: Dr. Jyotika Saksena



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About Dr. Jyotika Saksena

Jyotika Saksena is an Associate Professor of International Relations at the University of Indianapolis. She earned her PhD from the University of Georgia; a Masters in Philosophy in American Studies from the School of International Studies, Jawahar Lal Nehru University, New Delhi, India; her MA International Studies, Jawahar Lal Nehru University, New Delhi, India; and her BA Political Science, Delhi University, Delhi, India. Dr. Saksena's areas of expertise include international organizations, international political economy, regime consequences, nuclear nonproliferation. She has worked on projects funded by the United States Institute of Peace and the Rockefeller Foundation on issues related to South Asian security, focusing on nuclear and conventional weapons and technology. Her research has been published in the journals *International Politics*, *Comparative Strategy*, and *Asian Survey*. Her research interests are trade-related intellectual property rights; intended and unintended consequences of international organizations on societies; and nuclear politics.

PROGRAM DATE: MARCH 5, 2019

STATE OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT DIPLOMACY

Speaker: Ed Delaney



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About Ed Delaney

Having earned in law degree from Harvard Law School and is fluent in Russian, Ed Delaney served as an advocate for businesses and individuals in matters ranging from business disputes, estate litigation, election law, First Amendment, and access to records litigation. Ed has represented the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina in an arbitration hearing under the Dayton Peace Accords. Delaney was the founding lawyer for Investigative Reporters & Editors, Inc., which is now an international organization with thousands of members. He recently retired as a partner in the law firm of DeLaney & DeLaney, where he worked with his wife, Ann, and his daughter, Kathleen. For several years, Delaney was an adjunct faculty member at Indiana University School of Law in Bloomington, served former Governor Evan Bayh as Chair of the Indiana Development Finance Authority from 1990-1996, and Indianapolis Bar Association on its Judicial Evaluation Committee. He also served as an election monitor for the International Republican Institute in Russia and has been recognized by the Best Lawyers in America and the Indiana Super Lawyers.

PROGRAM DATE: MARCH 12, 2019

INDIA AND ITS NEIGHBOR

Speaker: Dr. Milind Thakar



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About Dr. Milind Thakar

Dr. Milind Thakar is Chair of the Department of History and Political Science, and Associate Professor of International Relations at the University of Indianapolis. His research interests are in the fields of comparative political development, national identity formation, and South Asian politics, specifically India and Pakistan. He received his PhD from the University of Georgia, and Masters of Philosophy in International Studies from JNU, Delhi, India (Jawaharlal Nehru University). A native of Delhi, India, he has lived in Indianapolis for several years. He is a Bollywood and cricket enthusiast, and also is interested in military history. At the University of Indianapolis, he is a member of the International Travel Oversight Committee; and frequently leads academic study trips to India and Europe, most notably to Great Britain - England and Scotland. Dr. Thakar has served as a board member of the Indiana Council on World Affairs and, for the fifth year, serves as the Convenor for the 2019 Indiana Academic WorldQuest.

PROGRAM DATE: MARCH 26, 2019

RISE OF POPULISM IN EUROPE

Speaker: Dr. John Clark



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About Dr. John Clark

Dr. John Clark is Director of Development and Communication at the Center for Interfaith Cooperation. He is Adjunct Professor at Indiana University's School for Public and Environmental Affairs. He is recognized as one of Central Indiana's leading experts on international affairs. Until 2005 he was a senior fellow at the Hudson Institute and Director of the Center for Central European and Eurasian Studies. In 2005 he helped establish the Sagamore Institute for Policy Research. He is the author of more than a hundred books, articles and reports about topics such as the collapse of communism, environmental policy, welfare reform in the United Kingdom, economic development in Central Asia and immigration in Indiana. He is an adjunct professor at Indiana University's School of Public and Environmental Affairs. The Indianapolis Star has called him "the foremost public intellectual in Indiana." Clark is the only person to receive NUVO's Cultural Vision Award and commendations from the FBI and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police for contributions on counter-terrorism.

PROGRAM DATE: APRIL 9, 2019

REFUGEES AND GLOBAL MIGRATION

Speaker: Dr. Pierre Atlas



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About Dr. Pierre Atlas

Dr. Atlas is a professor of political science at Marian University in Indianapolis and directs The Richard G. Lugar Franciscan Center for Global Studies (which includes the minor in Global Studies, the Lugar Fellow scholarship program and the annual Global Studies Speaker Series). Dr. Atlas teaches courses in American Foreign Policy, American Politics, Middle East Politics, Civil Wars and Ethnic Conflicts and International Political Economy among others. He is also a US Army veteran, writes a monthly opinion column for the Indianapolis Star, and is a former board member of the ICWA.

PROGRAM DATE: APRIL 16, 2019

US AND MEXICO: PARTNERSHIP TESTED

Speaker: Dr. Vanessa Cruz-Nichols



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About Dr. Vanessa Cruz-Nichols

Dr. Vanessa Cruz Nichols is a Visiting Assistant Professor of Political Science at Indiana University. She received her PhD and MA in Political Science from the University of Michigan, and her BA in Political Science and Economics from DePaul University. Her research interests include Latino politics; political participation; and identity politics and experiments. Her dissertation was *"Latinos Rising to the Challenge: Political Responses to Threat and Opportunity Messages."* She has published articles in *Journal of Health Politics, Policy and Law*, and contributed to the book *Policing and Race in America: Economic, Political, and Social Dynamics*.



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