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Council of Councils Virtual Conference: COVID-19 and Global Governance

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Friday, May 22, 2020

7:00 a.m.—10:00 a.m. Mexico City

8:00 a.m.—11:00 a.m. New York / Washington / Waterloo

9:00 a.m.—12:00 noon Buenos Aires / Rio de Janeiro

1:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m. London

2:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m. Berlin / Brussels / Johannesburg / Paris / Pretoria / Rome / Warsaw

3:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m. Istanbul / Jeddah / Moscow / Tel Aviv

5:30 p.m.—8:30 p.m. New Delhi

7:00 p.m.—10:00 p.m. Jakarta

8:00 p.m.—11:00 p.m. Beijing / Shanghai / Singapore

9:00 p.m.—12:00 midnight Seoul

10:00 p.m.—1:00 a.m. Sydney

**Council of Councils Virtual Conference
Agenda**

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(All times below are in Eastern Time/U.S. and Canada)

8:00 a.m.–8:05 a.m. *Welcoming Remarks:*
Stewart M. Patrick, *James H. Binger Senior Fellow in Global Governance and Director of the International Institutions and Global Governance Program, Council on Foreign Relations (United States)*

8:05 a.m.–9:35 a.m. *Session One*
COVID-19's Implications for the Future World Order and International Cooperation

Panelists:

Chen Dongxiao, *President, Shanghai Institutes for International Studies (China)*
Richard Haass, *President, Council on Foreign Relations (United States)*
Volker Perthes, *Executive Chairman and Director, German Institute for International and Security Affairs (Germany)*

Presider:

Elizabeth Sidiropoulos, *Chief Executive, South African Institute of International Affairs (South Africa)*

9:35 a.m.–10:00 a.m. *Break*

10:00 a.m.–11:00 a.m. *Session Two*
COVID-19 and the Future of Global Health Governance

Panelists:

Carlos Javier Regazzoni, *Director of the Global Health and Human Security Committee, Argentine Council on Foreign Relations (Argentina)*
Robert Yates, *Executive Director of the Centre for Universal Health, Chatham House (United Kingdom)*

Presider:

Thomas J. Bollyky, *Senior Fellow for Global Health, Economics, and Development and Director of the Global Health Program, Council on Foreign Relations (United States)*

Participant Biographies

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Riccardo Alcaro is research coordinator and head of the global actors program at the Institute of International Affairs (IAI) in Rome. He is also a fellow of the European Foreign and Security Policy Studies program. His main area of expertise is transatlantic relations, with a special focus on U.S. and European policies in Europe's surrounding regions. Alcaro has been a visiting fellow at the Center on the United States and Europe at the Brookings Institution in Washington and was a contributor to the Economist Intelligence Unit's quarterly publication on the EU, the *European Policy Analyst*. He is the author of *Europe and Iran's Nuclear Crisis* and editor of *The Liberal Order and its Contestations* and *The West and the Global Power Shift*. Alcaro holds a PhD from the University of Tübingen.

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Steven Blockmans is head of European Union (EU) foreign policy at the Centre for European Policy Studies and professor of EU external relations law and governance at the University of Amsterdam. Blockmans has advised governments in Europe and Asia on their relations with the EU. He is a frequent media commentator and has been the leading author on task forces such as "More Union in European Defence and Regroup and Reform: Towards a More Responsive and Effective European Union." His latest book, *The Obsolescence of the European Neighborhood Policy*, deals with the European neighborhood policy in context of the emergence of a more realist EU foreign policy. He is an editor of fifteen academic volumes, including *The EU's Role in Global Governance*.

Thomas J. Bollyky

Thomas J. Bollyky is director of the Global Health program and senior fellow for global health, economics, and development at the Council on Foreign Relations (CFR). He is also an adjunct professor of law at Georgetown University. Bollyky is the author of the book *Plagues and the Paradox of Progress: Why the World Is Getting Healthier in Worrisome Ways* and the founder and managing editor of *Think Global Health*, an online magazine that examines the ways health shapes economies, societies, and everyday lives around the world. He also directed the first CFR-sponsored Independent Task Force devoted to global health, *The Emerging Global Health Crisis: Noncommunicable Diseases in Low- and Middle-Income Countries*. Prior to joining CFR, Bollyky was a fellow at the Center for Global Development and director of intellectual property and pharmaceutical policy at the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative. Bollyky has testified multiple times before the U.S. Senate, and his work has appeared in publications including the *Atlantic*, *Foreign Affairs*, and the *New York Times*. He has served as a consultant to the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation and as a temporary legal advisor to the World Health Organization. In 2013, the World Economic Forum named Bollyky as one of its global leaders under forty. Bollyky received a BA in biology and history from Columbia University and a JD from Stanford Law School.

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Chen Dongxiao is the president of the Shanghai Institutes for International Studies (SIIS). He specializes in the studies of the United Nations, Chinese foreign policy, and U.S.-China relations, and has published extensively on UN reform and China's multilateral diplomacy. Chen is also the editor in chief of the *China Quarterly of International Strategic Studies* journal, published by SIIS and World

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Francisco de Santibañes is secretary-general of the Argentine Council for International Relations (CARI), a global fellow at the Wilson Center, and a professor at Austral University. The author of *Argentina and the World: Steps for Successful Integration* and *The Rebellion of Nations: The Crisis of Liberalism and the Rise of Popular Conservatism*, de Santibañes has also published articles in journals such as *Armed Forces and Society*, *Comparative Strategy*, and *Survival*, and written reports for the Center for Strategic and International Studies and the International Institute for Strategic Studies. He holds an MA in international relations from Johns Hopkins University's School of Advanced International Studies and has pursued doctoral studies at the King's College London's Department of War Studies.

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Anton du Plessis is executive director of the Institute for Security Studies (ISS) and has worked on human security, international criminal justice, and rule of law issues in more than twenty African countries, with a focus on delivering training and technical assistance to senior law enforcement and criminal justice officials. He is an admitted advocate of the High Court of South Africa with more than fourteen years of legal and management experience. He has been a consultant and expert advisor to various UN entities and other intergovernmental organizations, including the UN Security Council's Counter-Terrorism Executive Directorate and the UN Counter-Terrorism Implementation Task Force. Du Plessis is a World Economic Forum (WEF) Young Global Leader (2014–20) and vice chair of WEF's Global Agenda Council on Terrorism. Before assuming his current positions, he served as head of the Transnational Threats and International Crimes Division, which he founded in 2008 at ISS. Previously, he was a criminal justice and counterterrorism legal expert for the UN Office on Drugs and Crime, and before that he was head of the crime and justice program at ISS. Du Plessis has also worked as a senior state advocate at the National Prosecuting Authority of South Africa where he specialized in the prosecution of serious and violent offences. He has published numerous articles, book chapters, and training guides and is the coauthor of *Counter-Terrorism Law and Practice*. Du Plessis holds three law degrees, both undergraduate and graduate.

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Maritime Territorial Disputes in East Asia, Resource Management and Contested Territories in East Asia, and *Security Strategies of Middle Powers in the Asia-Pacific*, coauthored with Sarah Teo. Emmers has written articles for peer-reviewed journals including *Asian Survey*, *International Relations of the Asia-Pacific*, and the *Pacific Review*, as well as numerous book chapters in edited volumes. He completed his MSc and PhD in the international relations department of the London School of Economics and Political Science.

Michael Fullilove

Michael Fullilove is executive director of the Lowy Institute, where he served as director of its global issues program from 2003 to 2012. Previously, he was a visiting fellow in foreign policy at the Brookings Institution, an advisor to Prime Minister Paul Keating of Australia, and a lawyer. He remains a nonresident senior fellow at the Brookings Institution. He has written several books and writes widely on Australian and U.S. foreign policy for, among others, the *Financial Times*, *Foreign Affairs*, the *New York Times*, and the Australian press. In 2019, he was appointed a member of the Order of Australia for significant service to international relations. He graduated in arts and law from the University of Sydney and from the University of New South Wales. Fullilove studied as a Rhodes Scholar at Oxford University, where he received a master's degree and a doctorate in international relations.

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Thomas Gomart is director of the French Institute of International Relations (Ifri). Previously, he was vice president for strategic development and the director and founder of Ifri's Russia/NIS Center. Before joining Ifri, Gomart was an assistant professor at the Sorbonne and a cadet officer. He has focused on the former Soviet Union as well as wider international issues such as security, energy, and digital governance. He was previously a Lavoisier fellow at the Moscow State Institute of International Relations, a visiting fellow at the European Union Institute for Security Studies, and Marie Curie fellow at the Department of War Studies at King's College London. Gomart's recent publications include *Notre Intérêt National*, edited with Thierry de Montbrial; "Europe: Subject or Object in the Geopolitics of Data?" edited with Julien Nocetti and Clément Tonon; and *L'Affolement du Monde: 10 Enjeux Géopolitiques*. A member of the Strategic Review Committee for the Defence and National Security Strategic Review 2017, he is also a member of the editorial board of the French journals *Etudes*, *Politique Etrangère*, and *Revue des Deux Mondes*. Gomart received his EMBA from Hautes Etudes Commerciales de Paris and his PhD in history from Pantheon-Sorbonne University.

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Ettore Greco is executive vice president of the Institute of International Affairs (IAI). He also heads the institute's multilateralism and global governance program. He was previously the director of IAI from 2008 to 2017, worked as visiting fellow at the Brookings Institution from 2006 to 2007, and taught at the University of Parma and the University of Bologna. From 2000 to 2006, Greco worked as correspondent for the Economist Intelligence Unit. Between 1993 and 2000, he directed IAI's program on Central and Eastern Europe. He was also deputy director of IAI from 1997 to 2008. From 2000 to 2006, he was editor of the *International Spectator*. He is the author of several publications on the European Union's institutions and foreign policy, transatlantic relations, and the Balkans.

Richard Haass

Richard Haass is in his seventeenth year as president of the Council on Foreign Relations, the preeminent independent, nonpartisan organization in the United States devoted to issues of foreign policy and international relations. He has served as the senior Middle East advisor to President George H.W. Bush, the State Department's director of policy planning under Secretary of State Colin Powell, and in various positions in the Defense and State departments during the Carter and Reagan administrations. He was also U.S. coordinator for policy toward the future of Afghanistan and the U.S. envoy to both the Cyprus and Northern Ireland peace talks. A recipient of the State Department's Distinguished Honor Award, the Presidential Citizens Medal, and the Tipperary International Peace Award, Haass is also the author or editor of fourteen books on U.S. foreign policy and one book on management. His latest book is *The World: A Brief Introduction*. A Rhodes Scholar, he holds master's and doctorate of philosophy degrees from Oxford University and is the recipient of numerous honorary degrees.

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Carlos Javier Regazzoni

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