

2017 GCSP PRIZE FOR INNOVATION IN GLOBAL SECURITY



THE PRIZE

Through its Creativity and Innovation Initiative, the GCSP and its Geopolitics and Global Futures Programme established in 2015 an annual prize to recognise deserving individuals or organisations that propose an innovative approach to addressing international security challenges.

The prize is designed to reach across all relevant disciplines. It seeks to reward the most inspiring and groundbreaking contribution of the year, whether this be in the form of an initiative, invention, research project, or organisation.

The prize consists of a cash award of CHF 10'000. The prize will be awarded to the winner at a Ceremony in Geneva. In addition to the Prize, all travel to, and attendance at the Ceremony, will be paid by the GCSP.

APPLICATIONS

This is an international competition and applications are accepted from anywhere in the world. Applications are welcome from either individuals or groups, from both the public and private sectors.

Proposals can be wide-ranging in scope but should include a description of the contribution with a focus on how it is novel, and on its significance to sustainable global security.

CREATIVITY AND INNOVATION INITIATIVE

With this initiative, the GCSP intends to foster creativity and innovation across its thematic programmes and fields of activities. It aims to create spaces where different cultures, domains, disciplines and generations can interact in order to gain new insights and generate new ideas.

SELECTION PROCESS

A panel of independent GCSP experts will evaluate and attribute a score to each valid application received.

The 15 selected applications will then be passed to a panel of judges - senior practitioners from international organisations, governments and the private sector, for their consideration.

The panel will be co-chaired by GCSP Director Ambassador Christian Dussey and Head of the Geopolitics and Global Futures Programme Professor Nayef Al-Rodhan.

The winner will be selected by the panel of judges, and selection will be based on the following criteria:

1. Dedication to sustainable global security
2. Preservation of human dignity, security and justice
3. Creativity
4. Originality

GEOPOLITICS AND GLOBAL FUTURES PROGRAMME

In today's ever-evolving globalised landscape, it is important to look both at issues which are currently the most pressing, and at those which are poised to become future challenges.

The **Geopolitics and Global Futures Programme** aims to identify and analyse these emerging issues so that national and global actors have the necessary tools to be proactive rather than reactive, while maintaining peace, security, prosperity, dignity and equality for all.

The Programme strives to provide an analysis of the broad range of factors that will shape tomorrow's world under 5 themes:

- emerging technologies: artificial intelligence, run-away technologies, synthetic biology, and human enhancement, and their implications for geopolitics, security, and civil liberties
- outer space: space security, weaponisation, and debris, astrobiology, and the role of space in the future of humanity
- new international relations paradigms: neo-statecraft, meta-geopolitics, symbiotic realism, multi-sum security, and sustainable national and global governance
- neuroscience and international relations: emotionality of states, identities, inequality, human nature, universal axiology, and human dignity
- the five dimensions of global security: human, national, transnational, environmental and transcultural security

The Programme believes that only through stimulating interdisciplinary discourse can one begin to develop strategic foresight for a rapidly changing world.

The Programme is directed by Professor Nayef Al-Rodhan, Senior Fellow at the GCSP and Honorary Fellow of St Antony's College at the University of Oxford, UK.

For Professor Al-Rodhan's publications and ideas, see:

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EYEWITNESS TO ATROCITIES

The second GCSP Prize for Innovation in Global Security was awarded on 17 November 2016 to **eyeWitness to atrocities**, a mobile app that provides human rights defenders, documenters, journalists, and ordinary citizens with the ability to capture verifiable videos and photos of international authorities.



Launched in 2015 by the UK-based International Bar Association, after years of research into what was needed to make photos and videos admissible in court, the eyeWitness to Atrocities app combines a number of features that embed much needed data into mobile-captured footage, in order to ensure its authentication. Photos and video are increasingly used to capture atrocities committed by violent and oppressive groups. Despite the gross human rights abuses seemingly depicted on countless images and videos circulating online, their authenticity can seldom be verified. As a result, this means that their value in a court of law is non-existent.

GCSP

The Geneva Centre for Security Policy is an international foundation with 51 member states from across the globe. It provides forward-thinking and innovative solutions for leaders concerned with international affairs and security in today's complex, globalised world.



APPLY NOW

Please visit [our website](#) to read the Prize Rules and Regulations.

Please apply by filling out the [online application form](#) by 27 September 2017 at 18:00 UTC+2.

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