

The International Security Studies Section of the International Studies Association has 1,252 members. As of September 2011, our budget was \$98,565.45, although this figure includes over \$30,000 that was paid out in October and November for the ISSS-ISAC conference, as well as the ISSS listserv funding which ISA disburses. We also raised \$9,550 in sponsorships for our reception at ISA San Diego. Our central expenses are the ISSS reception at ISA, the Governing Council Meeting, and the awards we give.

Robert Jervis received a two year MacArthur Foundation award to fund the listserv that ISSS sponsors, in conjunction with the journals, *International Security*, *Security Studies*, and *The Journal of Strategic Studies*. The listserv is called the International Security Studies Forum (ISSF) and operates through H-Diplo.

ISSS will give three awards in San Diego. The Distinguished Scholar award will go to Jack Snyder, Columbia University. The ISSS Best Book Award will go to (winner) Michael C. Horowitz, *The Diffusion of Military Power: Causes and Consequences for International Politics*. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press, 2010; and (Honorable Mention) Charles L. Glaser, *Rational Theory of International Politics: The Logic of Competition and Cooperation*. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press, 2010. We are awarding the Outstanding Graduate Paper Award to Andrew Boutton of Pennsylvania State University for his paper, "U.S. Military Aid & the Geese that Lay Golden Eggs: Terrorist Groups & Interstate Rivalry." Each of the ISSS awards carries a \$500 prize.

The annual ISSS-ISAC conference, hosted with the American Political Science Association's International Security and Arms Control section, is one of the most popular academic conferences focusing on security studies. The 2011 conference was held in Irvine, California on October 13-15. Deborah Avant and Richard Matthew hosted it; Wade Huntley served as program chair. We had 182 paper proposals, 3 full panel proposals, and 6 roundtable proposals. In the end, we had 42 panel slots. The conference program can be viewed here: [http://www.isanet.org/meetings/ISSS-ISAC\\_Program\\_2011.pdf](http://www.isanet.org/meetings/ISSS-ISAC_Program_2011.pdf) Christopher Hill, former US Ambassador to Iraq and Dean of the Korb School of International Affairs, University of Denver, and Susan Shirk, Director of the Institute on Global Conflict and Cooperation and Professor of Political Science in the Graduate School of International Relations and Pacific Studies at UC - San Diego were the keynote speakers.

ISSS-ISAC 2012 will be October 26-28 in Durham, NC, hosted by Peter Feaver at Duke University, with Bruce Jentleson serving as program chair. We are also already scouting out Washington, DC as a location for ISSS-ISAC 2013, working with James Lebovic at George Washington University, George Shambaugh at Georgetown University, and Jay Parker at National Defense University.

In regard to ISA 2012, ISSS program chair Erik Dahl put together a program with a total of 158 panels (including co-sponsorships; ISSS alone was allocated 136 panels). We co-sponsored with 16 other sections in addition to the conference theme.

We also carried out ISSS Council nominations and elections. Stuart Kaufman, Vice Chair of the section, oversaw this process. We had 9 candidates for 3 faculty slots and 3 for 1 graduate student spot on the ISSS Council. We are also considering formalizing a position for an ISSS Treasurer. Office bearers for the coming year are listed below.

## **Office-bearers**

### **Chair**

Patricia Weitsman (2011-2013): email: weitsman@ohio.edu

### **Vice Chair**

Stuart Kaufman (2011-2013): email: skaufman@udel.edu

## **Governing Council Members**

Through Spring 2012: Audrey Kurth Cronin, Chris Demchak, Stuart Kaufman, Anit Mukherjee (graduate student representative)

Through Spring 2013: Erik Dahl; Stacie Goddard; Gunhild Hoogensen Gjrv; Suzanne Nielsen

Through Spring 2014: James Lebovic; Gale Mattox; Tim Hoyt; Helen Purkitt

Through Spring 2015: Debbi Avant, Chris Demchak, Michael Horowitz, Matthew Gratias (graduate student representative)

### **ISA Convention Program Chair**

**James Lebovic** (lebovic@gwu.edu)

### **Distinguished Scholar Selection Committee**

Chair: Gale Mattox (mattox@usna.edu)

Members: Gunhild Hoogensen Gjrv; Jarrod Hayes; Chris Demchak

### **Best Graduate Student Paper Selection Committee**

Chair: Suzanne Nielsen (suzanne.nielsen@usma.edu)

Members: Helen Purkitt; Matt Crosston; Richard Lacquement

### **Best Book Selection Committee**

Chair: Deborah Avant (Deborah.Avant@du.edu)

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Chair: Stuart Kaufman (skaufman@udel.edu)

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Patricia Weitsman; Stacie Goddard, Stuart Kaufman, T.V. Paul