

INVITATION

The International Institute for Peace (IIP) cordially invites you to an online discussion,



in cooperation with the Science Commission of the Austrian Armed Forces on the topic:



USA and the World: The Future of Arms Control and Multilateralism

Date: Thursday, 1 October 2020
Time: 6:00 pm (CEST)
Venue: Zoom link will be sent to registered participants
Registration: <https://www.iipvienna.com/registration/>



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Panelists:

- MALLORY STEWART, Stimson Center
- GLENN DIESEN, University of South-Eastern Norway
- HEINZ GÄRTNER, University of Vienna, International Institute for Peace - IIP

Moderation:

- ANGELA KANE, former United Nations High Representative for Disarmament Affairs, International Institute for Peace - IIP

Content:

The United States' role in the world has undergone some profound changes lately. Its status of an international leader, the great power in a unipolar world and a global agenda-setter has been increasingly questioned and challenged both domestically and internationally. One can speak of an ongoing global structure shift where transformations within and around the United States warrant close attention and careful analysis. The IIP has launched a series of discussions titled *USA and the World* that aim to shed some light on such pressing issues as the status of arms control negotiations, the transatlantic relations, and the upcoming presidential elections in the United States.

In today's polarized world we witness a decline of multilateralism and arms control. This implies that the world moves towards a multipolar world with an uncontrolled arms race and nuclear deterrence. The abandonment of the INF-Treaty might lead to new deployments of medium range missiles in Asia and Europe. The New START-Treaty is not likely to be extended after 2021 by the US-administration with reference to China's nuclear weapons. Non-nuclear weapon states feel betrayed because the nuclear weapon states did not meet their obligations under the Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT). They want to close this "legal gap" with the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (TPNW). Other suggestions and agreements on arms-control and disarmament will be discussed, like the JCPOA, nuclear weapon free zones, non-first use or freeze of nuclear weapons and others.

The next planned discussions in the series *USA and the World* include:

15 October: The Future of Transatlantic Relations under a new US administration

5 November: Die USA nach den Präsidentschaftswahlen (Arbeitstitel)

19 November: The World after US elections

The discussion will be held in English.

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