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## **Penn State Center for Solutions to Weather and Climate Risk** **David W. Titley, Founding Director**

**VISION:** Create the knowledge, training and solutions to enable the optimal outcome for every decision where weather and climate matter.

**MISSION:** Leverage and integrate the capabilities of the university, in particular those found in meteorology, engineering, statistics, e-education and communications, along with external partners, to advance the science of exploiting environmental opportunities and understanding environmental impacts to manage risk. The Center will achieve this by focusing its efforts in four areas:

- **User-inspired research:** Identify and conduct research in areas that will advance the decision-support process for specific industries and organizations.
- **Communications:** Train students and professionals on how to convey environmental risk, impacts, opportunities, and solutions clearly, succinctly, and in a way understood unambiguously by the end user.
- **Education:** Leverage and expand existing e-education programs in weather risk management. Educate and train future providers and users on how to think about environmental impacts and how to identify optimal solution sets.
- **Services:** Prototype and develop new methods and products to quantify and exploit environmental opportunity and reduce risks.

### **International Fellows Reception**

Foreign Policy Association President Dr. Michele Sellitto welcomed 250 attendees to the 40th annual International Fellows Reception on November 17 at the United States Army War College. Attendees included officials from the War College, Sen. John Eichelberger, International Fellows and their spouses and FPA members and guests.

Maj. Gen. William E. Rapp, commandant of the War College, Dr. Sellitto and Sen. Eichelberger presented a Pennsylvania Senate citation to each of the 74 international military officers studying at college. The Class of 2017, some of the best and brightest military strategists in the world, will graduate with a master of strategic studies degree.

More than 60 percent of the 1,591 International Fellows of the past have gone on to become general officers in their respective countries.

#### **2016-17 Program Topics / Schedule**

<b>Dec. 15</b>	The Geopolitics of Climate Change
<b>Jan. 26</b>	Update on Arab - Israeli Conflict
<b>Feb. 23</b>	Cuba Today and After the Castro Brothers
<b>March 23</b>	South China Sea Geopolitics
<b>April 27</b>	Russia and the West
<b>May 18</b>	Future of U.S. - Iranian Relations
<b>May ??</b>	Embassy Trip to be Determined

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