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EDUCATION

Degrees:

Ph.D. International Relations, Graduate School of International Studies, University of Miami, Coral Gables, Florida, 1988 Area Study: Soviet Union and Middle East; Functional Fields: International Relations Theory, Strategic Studies, Foreign Policy.
(Dissertation passed *With Distinction*: Principle Readers: Carl G. Jacobsen; Alexandre Bennigsen)

M.A., International Business and Economics, Florida Institute of Technology, 1980.

Languages

Persian
English
Tajik
Arabic (reading)
Russian (reading)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE /APPOINTMENTS

2007-Present: Director (Founding) Middle East Studies Center (MESC), Florida International University

2004-2007, Director of Middle East-Central Asia Program, Florida International University

1997-2000, Co-Chair, Asian Studies, Florida International University

1995-Present Associate Professor of International Relations, Department of Politics and International Relations, Florida International University, Miami

1989-1994 Assistant Professor of International Relations, Department of International Relations, Florida International University, Miami.

1986-1987 Adjunct Professor of International Relations, Department of International Relations, Florida International University, Miami.

1986-1987 Adjunct Professor at the Graduate School of International Studies, University of Miami, Coral Gables.

1986-1987 Fellow, Soviet and East European Institute, Graduate School of International Studies, University of Miami, Coral Gables.

PUBLICATIONS

BOOKS

Book In Progress

-manuscript on "Iran's Security and Foreign Policy"; this manuscript deals with a conceptual and theoretical framework of Iran's international relations since 1979 revolution

Russia and the Third World in the Post-Soviet Era, ed, (Gainesville: University Press of Florida, 1996).

Central Asia and the Caucasus after the Soviet Union: Domestic and International Dynamics, (Gainesville: University Press of Florida, 1994).

EDITED JOURNAL

"Russia and the Muslims of the Former Soviet Union: Dynamics of Ethnicity, Religion and Security," Guest Editor: Special Issue of Central Asian Survey, Vol. 12, no. 3 (1993).

JOURNAL ARTICLES

"IR Scholars and International Systems: Learning and Socialization"
Journal of International Political Sociology (Vol. 30. No. 3, September, 2009)

"Iran and Central Asia: Paradigm and Policy", Central Asian Survey (Summer 2004).

"Tajikistan and the International Politics of the Islamic Factor," in Central Asian Survey (Summer 1998).

"Iran's Emerging Partnership with Russia," Middle East Insight vol. II, no. 5 (August 1995).

"Russian Foreign Policy and Security in Central Asia and the Caucasus," Central Asian Survey, Vol. 12, no. 3 (1993).

"Russia and the New Muslim States: Change or Continuity?," Central Asian Survey Vol. 12, no. 3 (1993).

Work in Progress:

Journal article on role of Islam in international relations of Central Asia for Central Asian Survey

BOOK CHAPTERS

“Eurasia between Russia, Turkey and Iran”, in Maria Raquel Freire and Roger Kanet, *Key Players and Regional Dynamics in Eurasia: The Return of the “Great Game”* (Palgrave Macmillan: 2010)

“Losing a War That Never Was: The Erice Dilemma,” in Ahmad Kamal, John Alderdice, eds., *Monitoring Terrorism: The Motivation Aspects* (forthcoming)

“Iran’s Security Discourse in the post Revolutionary Era: Dynamics of Elite Socialization,” in Mehdi Semati, ed. *Iran’s Politics and Society* (forthcoming)

“Environment and Security: Agent-Structure and the Question of Paradigm” in, Ali Shabestari and Ali Asadabadi, eds., *Environment and Peace*, (Institute for Political and International Studies, 2006).

“Nasr: Reflections on an Ecumenical Foundationalist”, in Faghfour, M, Ed, *Beacon of Knowledge* (Oxford University Press, 2003)

“Iranian Foreign Policy Towards Central Asia and the Caucasus”, in Esposito, J, and Ramazani, R, ed., *Iran at the Crossroads* (Palgrave- Macmillan Academic Publishing, 2001).

"America's Drive to the Caspian," with Bradford McGuinn, in Hooshang Amirahmadi, ed., *The Caspian Region at a Crossroad: Challenges of a New Frontier of Energy and Development* (New York: St. Martin Press, 2000).

Central Asia and the Caucasus: The Iranian Perspective, Central Asia and the South Caucasus: Reorientations, Internal Transitions, and Strategic Dynamics (Washington: National Intelligence Council, 2000)

"Islam in Central Asia: The Implication for Regional and International Security," in Andreas Theophanous, ed., *European and Mediterranean Security in the Post-Cold War Period*

"Russia and Its Central Asian Near Abroad: Towards a Doctrine for the Periphery," in Hafeez Malik, ed., *The Role of the U.S., Russia, and China in the New World Order* (London and New York: Macmillan & St. Martin's Press, 1997).

"Russia and Central Asia," in N. Entessar and M. Bishqu, ed., *The Foreign Policy of Central Asian States: Regional and Global Dimensions* (New York: St Martin Press, 1996).

"China and the New Middle East," co-authored with Zhao Yue Yao, in N. Entessar and M. Bishqu, ed., *The Foreign Policy of Central Asian States: Regional and Global Dimensions* (New York: St Martin Press, 1996).

"Iran and Tajikistan," in A. Rubinstein and O. Smolensky, ed., *Regional Power Rivalries in New Eurasia* (New York: M.E. Sharpe, 1995).

"Regional and Global Powers and the International Relations of Central Asia," in K. Dawisha and A. Dawisha, eds., *The Making of Foreign Policy in Russia and the New Independent States of Eurasia* (London/New York: M.E. Sharpe, 1995).

"Central Asia's External Relations," in, *The Former Soviet Periphery* (Tokyo: Japanese Institute of International Affairs, 1994).

"Russia and the Third World: Departure, Convergence or a New Centaur," in M. Mesbahi, ed., *Russia and the Third World in the Post-Soviet Era* (Gainesville: University Press of Florida, 1994).

"The Emerging Muslim States of Central Asia and the Caucasus," in M. Mesbahi, ed., *Central Asia and the Caucasus after the Soviet Union: Domestic and International Dynamics* (Gainesville: University Press of Florida, 1994).

"Russia and the Geopolitics of the Muslim South," in M. Mesbahi, ed., *Central Asia and the Caucasus after the Soviet Union: Domestic and International Dynamics* (Gainesville: University Press of Florida, 1994).

"The USSR and the Iran-Iraq War: From Brezhnev to Gorbachev," in F. Rajaei, ed., *The Iran-Iraq War: The Politics of Aggression* (Gainesville, University Press of Florida, 1993).

"Gorbachev's 'New Thinking' and Iran's Security in the 1990's," in H. Amirahmadi and N. Entessar, eds., *Reconstruction and Regional Diplomacy in the Persian Gulf* (London/New York: Routledge, 1992).

"Charchube Mavaze' Shouravi," (The Parameters of the Soviet Position [in the Iran-Iraq War]) in *Baz Shenasi Janbehaye Tajavoz va Defa': Ab'ade Siyasi va Masa'el Hooqhooqhi-Beinolmelali* (Aggression and Defense: A Reinterpretation of Political and Legal Dimensions) (Tehran: Tehran University Press, 1990).

"Soviet Policy Toward the Iran-Iraq War," in C.G. Jacobsen, ed., *Soviet Foreign Policy: New Dynamics, New Themes* (London: Macmillan Press, 1989).

Book Review:

Slavic Review, (April 29, 2005) "Central Eurasia in Global Politics: Conflict, Security and Development, Eds., Mehdi Parsa Amineh and Hank Howling, Leaden: Brill 2004.

SCHOLARLY PAPERS

PRESENTED AT REFEREED PROFESSIONAL NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL

MEETINGS” (Mostly by invitation)

“Securitization of Islam in Eurasia”, Carleton University, College of Humanities, March 21, 2011.

“Iran and the Contemporary International System”, the 52st International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Convention, Montreal, March 17-19, 2011.

“Islam, Human Rights and Security Discourse in Eurasia” Workshop V: Human Rights in the Middle East and the Muslim World; San Francisco State University, October 16-17, 2010 (by invitation).

“Russia, Islam and Security Narratives in Eurasia”, the 51st International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Convention, New Orleans, February 17-20, 2010

“Public Diplomacy, Power and Normative Challenges” International Conference on “Bridging the Divide between the United States and the Muslim World through Arts and Ideas: Possibilities and Limitations”, June 6 – 7, 2009, New York City New York University Center for Dialogues (by invitation).

“Iran and Eurasia: Foreign Policy and Security Framework; Tenth Annual Conference of the Central Eurasian Studies Society; the Centre for European, Russian, and Eurasian Studies, the University of Toronto, October 8-11, 2009.

“Iran and the Caspian Basin: Security and Securitization”, ABRI-ISA Joint International Conference, Rio, July 22-24, 2009.

“The Geopolitical and Normative Context”, in, The UN Conference: High Commission on Alliance of Civilizations”, Conference on The Israeli and Palestinian Dialogue, The Gulbenkian Foundation, Lisbon, Feb 18-19, 2009

“International Relations Theory and the Challenges of the Civilizational Paradigm” The UN Conference of Alliance of Civilization; Atlanta, January 29-31, 2009

“Religion in IR Paradigms”, Conference on Religion and International Relations, Center for Strategic Research, Tehran, January 13, 2009.

“Agent, Structure and International System: The Social Impact of the Iranian Revolution”, in International Conference on, Thirty Years of The Iranian Revolution, Shareef University, December 20-22, 2008, Tehran, December 20-22, 2008

“Trust in US-Iran Relations: Genealogy and Dynamics”, in Conference on “Iran-US Relations: Imagining a New Paradigm” New York University, Center for Dialogues, December 3, 2008

“Fundamentalism and the Emerging Terror Cascade”, Presented at the 39th Annual Conference on Planetary Emergencies: The Permanent Monitoring Panel on Terrorism, The World Federation of Scientists, “Ettore Majorana” Foundation and Center for Scientific Culture, Erice, Italy, May 26-29, 2008

Note: The prestigious gathering organized by the WFS-the World Federation of Scientists, which has been devoted to global security issues for the last four decades. It is a particular honor to be invited to this forum and being accepted as a member of its "Permanent Monitoring Panel on Terrorism". The findings of this conference were key to the arms control agreements between the US and the Soviet Union/Russia during the Cold War, and it now makes a major contribution to post 9/11 security studies.

"Ahmadinejad, Iran and Regional Security Dynamics, in Conference on Iran's Role in the World, United Nations Association of the USA, NY , November 16, 2007.

"Iran's Strategic Environment and the Nuclear Crisis: Capability and Discourse". Annual Conference of Middle East and Central Asia: Politics, Economics and Society, Utah, Sept 6-8, 2007.

"Iran and the Problem of Nuclear Proliferation in Contemporary World Politics," The Brazilian International Relations Association (ABRI) Annual Meeting on "The Transformations of the International Order in the First Decade of the 21st Century," Brasilia, July 25-27, 2007

"Losing a War That Never Was: The Erice Dilemma," Presented at the 38th Session on World Federation of Scientists, Permanent Monitoring Panel on Terrorism, Erice, Italy, May 18-20, 2007.

"Iran's Foreign Policy: Lonely at the Center of the Universe," Annual Lecture Series in Middle East Studies, Princeton University, Feb 6, 2007.

"Islam in Central Asia: Regional and Global Discourse on Security," in the Annual Conference on Middle East and Central Asia-MECA, Salt Lake City, September 6-9, 2006.

-also DISCUSSANT in Two Panels in the Conference:

- Past and Present in US Iranian Relations
- Reformists, Minorities and the Dynamics of Iranian Politics

"Iran's Security Environment," Conference on Iran's Security: Role and Partnership, Ravand Institute for Economic and International Studies (RIEIS), Tehran, Sept 2, 2006.

"Iran Security and Foreign Policy Paradigm," in bi-annual conference on "Security and Multilateral Dialogue in the Middle East," Stockholm International Peace Research Institute-SIPRI, July 13-14, 2006.

- "Iran and Security Environment in Central Asia," in Annual Conference on Security in the Middle East: From Perspectives to Dialogue, organized by the International Institute for Strategic Studies (IISS-London), and the Nixon Center-Washington and DCAF-Geneva (Democratic Control of Armed Forces), Geneva June 23-26, 2006.

- "Motive, Mitigation and Normative Dissonance: The Erice Dilemma," in the 36th Annual International Conference on Cultural Planetary Crisis,-The Permanent Panel on Terrorism, The World Federation of Scientists, Erice, Italy, May 18-22, 2006.

"Iran and Security Regime in the Persian Gulf", The 25th Stanley Foundation's Conference on Peace and Security, Erlic Center, Virginia, October 16-17, 2005

“Iran-US Relations“, Annual Conference on Middle East and Central Asia, Salt Lake City, September 9-11, 2005

“Characteristics of the Contemporary International System: “Power” and Normative Dissonance” , The Joint United Nations/Iran’s International Conference on UN Reform, Tehran, July 17-18, 2005, IPIS, Tehran, Iran

““Environment and Security: Agent-Structure and the Question of Paradigm””, The United Nations Environment Program/IRI’s International Conference on “Environment, Peace and the Dialogue among Civilizations and Cultures” Tehran, 9-10 May 2005.

“Iran’s Foreign Policy: Dynamics of Securitization and Elite Socialization”, International Conference on “Iran Foreign Policy since the Revolution”, 21-22 March 2005, School of Government and International Affairs, University of Durham, UK

“Iran and Regional and International Security Environment” Conference on Dialogue on Multilateral Diplomacy and the Management of Global Issues, Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI), Stockholm, March 18-20, 2005

“Islam and the International Relations of Central Asia” Annual Meeting, American Council for the Study of Islamic Societies (ACISIS), Orlando, April 1-2, 2005.

“Characteristics of the International System after 9/11”: Distinguished Lecture Series, Institute for Political and International Studies, IPIS, Tehran, January 2, 2005.

“US Policy Towards Iran: Paradigms and Scenarios”, Conference on US-Iran Relations, Tehran International Studies & Research Institute, January 4, 2005.

“Iran’s Decision Making Process”, Conference on Iranian Decision Making , Booz Allen Hamilton and Department of Defense, Washington. July 15, 2004

”Iran's Nuclear Programs: Fact and Fiction”, The American Iranian Council, Rockefeller Brothers Fund, New York, July 16, 2004

“ US-Iran Relations and Middle East Regional Dynamics”, Roundtable on US-Iran Dialogue, United Nations Association-USA, New York, February,18, 2005.

“US and Iran: Constructivism Gone Amuck!”, Conference on “Iran After 25 Years of Revolution”, Woodrow Wilson Center for International Scholar, Washington D.C., November 17-19, 2004

“Iran and Central Asia”, The Annual Conference of Association of Central Eurasian Studies, Boston, Harvard University, November 4-6, 2003,

“The US post-War Reconstruction Models: Characteristics and Dynamics”, International Conference on Afghanistan, Institute for International and Political Studies, Tehran, January 4-5,

2003.

“Iran and Ideology of Nuclear Proliferation”, Annual Conference on Global Security, Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI), Stockholm, March 7-8, 2003

Afghanistan and US Reconstruction Model”, International Conference on Afghanistan, International Institute for Political and International Studies,(IPIS), Tehran, December 22-24, 2002

“Characteristics of Iranian Security Environment”, International Conference on "Iran: Surrounding Regions and International Linkage” Istituto Diplomatico, Rome, Italy,. December 17, 2002. International Conference, Iran and the Regional Surrounding, Rome, Italy, December 17-18, 2002

Regional and International Security Environment: The post 9/11 Paradigms, International Conference on Persian Gulf and Asia, International Institute for Political and International Studies,(IPIS), Tehran, March 5-7, 2002.

The United States, Russia and the Caspian, Caspian Studies Institute, Tehran,, Conference on Caspian Basin and Emerging Regional Security Systems, Tehran, February, 16, 2002

Iran’s Security Environment,, Conference on Regional Security after the September 11 , Chattam House, The Royal Institute of International Affairs, London, January 12-14 2002.

Nasr: The Ecumenical Foundationalist or A Muslim Paradox in the New Millennium, Conference on Beacon of Knowledge, George Washington University, October November2-3, 2001.

Iran and the United States, Conference on The Persian Gulf and Interregional Security, The Royal Institute for International Affairs, London, August, 24-26, 2001

Otherness, Securitization and Global Dialogue, International Conference on Human Condition in the New Century, London, Global Dialogue Initiative, September 28-29, September 2001

US Policy in the Caspian Basin, Conference on Iran and Security in the Caspian Basin, Center for Strategic Studies, Tehran, July 20-21, 2001

Iran and Russian Diplomatic Style, Conference on Iran and Security in the Caspian Basin, Center for Strategic Studies, Tehran, July 20-21, 2001

Reformism and National Security, Iran after Election: Domestic and International Dynamics, International Conference, Oxford University, June 5-7, 2001

Iran, Russia and Regional Dynamics in Central Asia, Iran After the Election: Domestic and International Dynamics, International Conference, Oxford University, June 5-7, 2001.

Iran and Securitization in Central Asia, Center for Advanced International Studies, Tehran

University, May 9, 2001.

Civilizational Dialogue and International Relations: Theoretical and Policy Challenges, Conference on Dialogue of Civilizations, University of Tehran, Faculty of Law and Politics, May 7, 2001.

Iran's Security Environment, Conference on The Persian Gulf /Caspian Sea and the International System, Chat tam House, The Royal Institute of International Affairs, London, April 27-28, 2001.

Otherness and International Security: Dynamics and Trappings of Securitization of Identity The United Nations Conference on Dialogue of Civilizations, Vilnius-Lithuania, April 23-27, 2001

The U.S., Iran and the International Political Economy of The Caspian Basin, The Annual Conference of the Middle East Association (MESA), Orlando, November 16-19 2000

Islam and the International Relations of post-Soviet Space, Center for Islamic Studies, Oxford University, May 23, 2000.

South Asia's Nuclear Tests: Implications for the Middle East, in International Conference on Security in Asia, Center for International Studies, Oxford University, May 11-13, 2000.

Domestic Determinants of Iranian Foreign Policy, in International Conference on Iranian Foreign Policy, St. Antony's College, Oxford University, May 12-13, 2000.

The Iranian Election: Implications for National and International Security, in Conference on The Iranian Election, St. Antony's College, Oxford University, Feb. 22, 2000,

Iran and former Soviet Space: Concepts and Perspectives, International Conference on Security in Central Asia and the Caucasus, SAIC, Washington, April 5-7, 2000.

Identity, Islam and International Relations: the Case of Central Asia, in the Annual Meeting of International Studies Associations, ISA, Los Angeles, March 15-19, 2000.

Collective Identity and Collective Security, in the Annual Meeting of International Studies Associations, ISA, Los Angeles, March 15-19, 2000.

Iranian Election: Implications for National and International Security, Conference on The Iranian Election, Middle East Center, Oxford University, Oxford, February 22, 2000.

Iran and International Security, in an International Conference on Changing Security Issues in the Greater Middle East , January 12-13, The Royal Institute of International Relations, London, January 12-13, 2000.

Iran and the Caspian Dynamics, Conference on Iran and Caspian Energy: Prospects and Challenges, St Antony's College, Oxford University, October 28, 1999.

"Iran's Foreign Policy in Central Asia: A Conceptual Framework," presented at the Middle East Studies Association's Annual Conference (MESA), Chicago, December 4-6, 1998.

"Iran's Foreign Policy Towards the Caucasus," presented at the Council on Foreign Relations, a Conference on Iran's Regional Strategy, Washington, D.C., January 28-29, 1998.

"Iran's Security Policy in Central Asia," presented at an International Conference on Central Asia's Security Environment: Challenges and Opportunities for U.S. Strategic Interests, National Defense University, Washington, D.C., January 28-29, 1998.

"Energy and Pipeline Politics in Central Asia and their Impact on European and Mediterranean Security," presented at the International Conference on European Security in the Post-Cold War Period: Implications for the Mediterranean, at the Research and Development Center-Inter College in Nicosia, Cypress, November 28-29, 1997.

"Russia, the U.S., Iran and the Politics of the Islamic Factor in Central Asia," presented at Middle East Forum, at the Center for Middle East Policy, Harvard University, September 29, 1997.

"Russia, Iran, and the Geo-Politics of the Caspian," presented at the First International Conference on Caspian Oil, Gas and Pipelines: Seizing Opportunities in the Second Persian Gulf, New York, May 29, 1997.

"Russian Foreign Policy in Central Asia: The Emerging Doctrine?" presented at the Stockholm Defense Establishment Conference on, "Russia: East or West?" June 3-5, 1996.

"Security and Islam in Central Asia: Perspectives and Policies of the United States, Russia, Iran and Turkey," at the conference on "Security in Central Asia," The Marshall Center for European Security, Garmish, Germany, April 26-27, 1996.

"Comparative Foreign Policies of the U.S., Russia, Iran, and Turkey in Central Asia: Towards a Conceptual Analysis," presented at the 37th Annual ISA Conference, San Diego, CA, April 16-20, 1996.

"Russia, The United States, and Muslim Central Asia," presented at the 24th Annual Conference of the Association of Muslim Social Scientists (AMSS), Chicago, IL, October 27-29, 1995.

Round-Table discussion on "The Future of U.S. Persian Gulf Strategy," 36th Strategy for Peace Conference, The Stanley Foundation, Warrenton, Virginia, October 26-28, 1995.

"Turkey and Iran as Actors in Central Asia," presented at the International Conference on the "Caucasus and Central Asia: Three Years after Independence, Past and Future," Bilkent University, Ankara, Turkey, May 25-27, 1995.

"Tajikistan and Iran," presented at the 26th Annual National Convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, (AAASS), Philadelphia, PA, November 19-20, 1994.

"Islam, the West and the Security Linkage between the Middle East and Central Asia," presented at the 23rd Annual National Convention of the American Association of Muslim Social Scientists (AAMSS), State University of New York at Binghamton, October 28-30, 1994.

"Russia's Foreign Policy toward the 'New Middle East'," presented at the Conference on Central Asia Since Independence, Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS), Washington, D.C., October 26, 1994.

"Russia and the New Muslim States of Central Asia," presented at the Middle East Center of the University of Manchester, May 10, 1994.

"Iran, the Security of Central Asia and the Middle East," presented at the conference on "The Disunion of the Soviet Union and Its Impact on the Middle East," sponsored by the Russian and East European Institute, the School for Inner Asian and Uralic Studies and the Middle East Program, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN, April 22, 1994.

"Russia and Its Central Asian Near Abroad: Towards a Doctrine for the Periphery," presented at the conference on "The Roles of the U.S., Russia, and China in the New World Order," Villanova University, Pennsylvania, April 8-9, 1994.

"Russia, the Regional Powers and the International Relations of Central Asia," presented at the conference of the Russian Littoral Project, School of Advanced International Studies, Johns Hopkins University, Washington, D.C., March 21, 1994.

"Central Asia: External Relations," presented at the conference on the Post-Soviet Periphery at the Japanese Institute of International Affairs, Tokyo, co-sponsored by the Royal Institute of International Affairs, London, January 6-8, 1994.

"Iran and Central Asia: Revolutionary Foreign Policy in a Pragmatic Age," presented at the 25th Annual National Convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, (AAASS), Honolulu, Hawaii, November 19-20, 1993.

"The U.S., Islam and the Strategy of Dual Containment," presented at the conference on "The New Security Environment in the Gulf," organized by the International Institute for Strategic Studies (IISS, London), in Abu Dhabi, UAE, June 13-17, 1993.

"Russia, Iran and the Persian Gulf," presented at the conference on "Russia, Central Asia and the Middle East" at the Middle East Center, Oxford University, February 27, 1993.

"Russia and Central Asia," presented at the 24th Annual National Convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, (AAASS), Phoenix, AZ, November 20-23, 1992. "Moscow and the Third World in the Soviet and Post-Soviet Eras," Tenth Annual Meeting of the Association of Third World Studies, Gainesville, FL, October 1-3, 1992.

"Central Asia and the Security along the Southern Flank," presented at the 4th Bedford Colloquium on Soviet Military and Political Affairs, August 10-13, 1992, Nova Scotia, Canada.

"Iran, Russia, and Muslim Central Asia: The Dynamics of Interdependence," presented at the Center for Iranian Research and Analysis (CIRA), Austin, TX, April 10-12, 1992.

"Yeltsin's Russia and Iran: Does Ideology Matter," paper presented at the International Conference on the Transformation of the Former USSR and Its Implications for the Third World, Institute for Political and International Studies (IPIS), Tehran, Iran, March 2-4, 1992 - (Principle Organizer of the Conference.)

"The Implications of the Soviet Transformation for Moscow's Relations with the Islamic World," presented at the Oriental Institute of the USSR Academy of Sciences, Moscow, USSR, November 30, 1991.

"Gorbachev's New Thinking and Iran: The Islamic Factor," presented at the 23rd Annual National Convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, (AAASS), Miami, FL, November 21-24, 1991.

"The De-ideologization of Soviet-Iranian Relations," presented at the Annual Meeting of the Middle East Studies Association, (MESA), Washington D.C., November 22-25, 1991.

"The Image Problem in Soviet-Iranian Relations," presented at the conference on "Iran and Its Post-War Diplomacy," New York University, April 12-13, 1991.

"The Soviet Union and the Persian Gulf Crisis: Stability in the Post-Cold War Era," presented at the Annual Meeting of the Florida Political Science Association, (FPSA), Ft. Lauderdale, April 5-6, 1991.

"Central Asian Drug Traffic: Outside the USSR," presented at the 22nd Annual National Convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, (AAASS), Washington D.C., October 18-22, 1990.

"Gorbachev's New Thinking and Afghanistan," presented at the Symposium on Afghanistan: After the Soviet Withdrawal, Institute for Political and International Studies, Tehran, Iran, August, 1990.

"Gorbachev's New Thinking and the Persian Gulf: Challenge and Response," presented at the International Conference on the Persian Gulf, Institute for Political and International Studies, (IPIS), Tehran, Iran, November 20-24, 1989.

"The Soviet Union and Iran," presented at the 21st Annual National Convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, (AAASS), Chicago, November 10-14, 1989.

"Soviet New Thinking and Regional Conflicts: The Case of the Iran-Iraq War and Afghanistan," presented at the Symposium on Soviet Foreign Policy, East-West Project, Carlton University, Ottawa, Canada, September 11-13, 1988. (By invitation)

"Soviet Policy towards the Iran-Iraq War," presented at the International Conference on the Persian Gulf, Tehran, Iran, August 18-22, 1988. (By invitation)

"Islamic Iran, the Gulf and the Superpowers," presented at the Annual Conference of the Florida Political Science Association, (FPSA), Ft. Lauderdale, April 5-6, 1988.

"The Dynamics of the U.S.-Iranian Relations," presented at the International Conference on the Superpowers and the Middle East, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN, November, 1987.

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES, CONFERENCES, SEMINARS, AND WORKSHOPS ORGANIZED (Selected List)

Seminar on Islamic Reformism in Iran, A Center for Islamic Studies, Florida International University, September 7, 2000

International Conference on Iranian Foreign Policy , Center For Middle East Studies, St. Antony's College, Oxford University, May 12-13, 2000

Conference on The Implications of the Iranian Elections, the Middle East Center, Oxford University, February 28, 2000.

International Conference on Islam in Russia, Central Asia, and the Caucasus, Asian Studies Program, Florida International University, April 8-9, 1999.

Conference on the Iranian Revolution: Twenty Years After, Florida International University, February 18-19, 1999.

Seminar on Russian Foreign Policy Doctrine, Florida International University, May 15, 1998.

Seminar on Islam in Tajikistan and Central Asia, Asian Studies Program, Florida International University, Fall 1997.

Seminar on Muslim Feminism in Iran, Center for Islamic Studies, Florida International University, February, 1996.

Conference on Islam and Universal Human Rights, Center for Islamic Studies@, Florida International University, March 1995

International Conference on Russia, Central Asia and the Middle East, The Middle East Center, St Antony's College, Oxford University, Oxford, UK, February 27, 1993.

International Conference on The Transformation of the Former USSR and Its Implications for the Third World, The Institute for Political and International Studies, Tehran, Iran, March 2-4, 1992.

PANELS ORGANIZED FOR PROFESSIONAL NATIONAL MEETINGS

Chair and Discussant of a panel on Islam and International Relations, presented at the International Studies Association (South) Annual Meeting, Florida International University, North

Campus, Miami, October 17-19, 1998.

"The U.S., Iran and Russia in Central Asia," 25th Annual Convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies (AAASS), Honolulu, Hawaii, Nov. 19-22, 1993.

"Central Asia and The Middle East in the Post-Soviet Era," Panel Organized for the 24th Annual Convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies (AAASS), Phoenix, AZ, Nov. 20-23, 1992.

"Soviet Policy towards Islam: The Gorbachev Era," Panel Organized for the 23rd Annual Convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies (AAASS), Miami, FL, Nov. 22-25, 1991.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND ASSOCIATION

Membership in the Editorial Boards of Academic Journals

Editorial Board of Central Asian Survey (London)

Editorial Board of Journal of Political Ideologies (Oxford)

Editorial Board of East-West Review (Chicago)

Peer Review:

Peer Reviews for such leading journals as, International Studies Quarterly (ISQ), Central Asian Survey (London), Journal of Middle East Studies (Cambridge), Journal of Political Ideologies (Oxford), East-West Studies (Chicago), and Slavic Studies (Cambridge), and book manuscripts for a host of commercial and university presses.

Membership in Professional Organizations:

The Middle East Studies Association (MESA)

The American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies (AAASS)

Association for the Advancement of Central Asian Research

Association for the Study of the Nationalities of the Former USSR and Eastern Europe

The Atlantic Council

The International Studies Association (ISA)

The American Political Science Association (APSA)

The Center for Iranian Research and Analysis (CIRA)

The International Institute of Strategic Studies (IISS)

The Royal Institute of International Affairs, London

Association of Third World Studies

LECTURES (Selected List)

Individual Papers/ Lectures: (by invitation)

Lecture on “The Modern Middle East, the Muslim World and the United States: Characteristics, and Political/Security Dynamics, Presented at University of Miami; MAIA Program; Oct 18, 2007.

Lecture on “Security Studies and International Security: Modalities of Interpretation and Analysis,” Allameh Tabatabai University, Tehran, Sept 1, 2006.

Lecture on “The Modern Middle East: Characteristics, and Political/Security Dynamics The Middle East at the Millennium”: Presented at FIU’S Board of Trustees Retreat, FIU at 50, Naipal, Florida April 20, 2007.

Lecture on “Iran and Security Environment in Central Asia,” in Annual Conference on Security in the Middle East: From Perspectives to Dialogue, organized by the International Institute for Strategic Studies (IISS-London), and the Nixon Center-Washington and DCAF-Geneva (Democratic Control of Armed Forces), Geneva June 23-26, 2006.

Lecture on “The US Strategy on War on Terror: Philosophy and Doctrine,” Tehran: Institute for Human Security and Peace, August, 20, 2006.

Lecture on “Iran and Central Asia,” in Search for Common Ground in the Tenth Meeting of the US-Iranian Working Group, July 14-16, 2006 , Stockholm, Sweden.

Lecture on “National Education and the September 11”, National Convention on Education. Miami, November 29, 2001

Lecture on “September 11: Implication for US National Security, Florida International University, Teach In, September 20, 2001.

Lecture on “The International Security and the September 11”, University of Miami, September 21, 2001.

Lecture on “Russian policy towards the Gulf Crisis, presented at the Forum on the Persian Gulf Crisis”, organized by the International Relations Association, Florida International University, February 26, 1998.

Lecture on "Russian Foreign Policy in Asia," presented at the Asian Studies Lecture Seminars, Florida International University, April 9, 1998.

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Lecture on "The Gulf Crisis: Implications for Superpower Relations," presented to Continuing Education, Wesley Foundation, University of Miami, December 15, 1991.

Lecture on the "Implications of the Gulf Crisis," presented to the Book Readers Guild, Eastwick Retirement Village, March 11, 1991.

Lecture on the "Islamic World and the Christian West: The Impact of the Gulf Crisis," presented to the Greater Miami Religious Coalition, February 13, 1991.

Lecture on "Soviet Policy in the Persian Gulf Crisis," presented at the Forum on the Impact of the Gulf Crisis, sponsored by the Student Government, Florida International University, January 22, 1991.

Lecture on "Islam and the Politics of the Middle East," presented at Saint Augustine Church, Miami, January 1991.

Round Table on the Persian Gulf Crisis, 1990 (Tele-conference with Kuwaiti and Iraqi Officials),

Florida International University, North Campus, December 1990.

Lecture on the "Iranian Revolution," presented to the United Nations Women's Association, May 1989.

Lecture on "Soviet New Thinking," presented to the Elder's Forum, April 1989.

Lecture on "The Strategic Defense Initiative (SDI)," presented at the Model United Nations, Florida International University, 1988.

INTERVIEWS

Numerous interviews with national and international media, including Voice of America, Radio Marti, BBC, U.S. News and World Report, Financial Times, Le Monde, Keyhan International, Miami Herald, and The Sun Sentinell, and local media on the domestic and foreign policy of the former Soviet Union, Iran's domestic and foreign policy, Middle East Conflicts, the Iran-Iraq War, etc.

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