



Al Qaeda 3.0 The 'War on Terror' after the Bush Administration

New America Foundation and New York University's Center on Law and Security
October 10, 2008 in Russell Senate Office Building, Caucus Room 325,
Washington, DC

- 8:45 am Registration and Arrival
Refreshments
- 9:00 am Introductory Remarks
Steve Clemons, American Strategy Program,
New America Foundation
- Karen Greenberg, Center on Law and Security,
New York University
- 9:15 am **The Future of Al Qaeda**
- Frances Fragos Townsend, Homeland Security
Adviser to President Bush 2004-2008
"Al Qaeda Today and its Impact on the West"
- Bruce Hoffman, Georgetown University
"Al Qaeda on the March: A Leader-Led Jihad"
- Steve Coll, New America Foundation/New
Yorker
"Al Qaeda and its Failing States: Pakistan,
Afghanistan and Iraq"
- Peter Bergen, New America Foundation/CNN
"What are the Underlying Causes of Violent
Sunni Militancy?"

10:45 am

The War of Ideas

Lawrence Wright, NYU Center on Law and Security/New Yorker

"Is Al Qaeda Losing the War of Ideas? If so, What Does That Mean for the 'War on Terror'?"

Daniel Kimmage

"What is the Role of the Internet for al Qaeda? And How is it Evolving?"

Eliza Griswold, the New America Foundation

"Militant Islam in the Developing World: From Bangladesh to Nigeria"

Noon
Lunch

Taliban and Al Qaeda in Afghanistan and Pakistan

Seth Jones, RAND

"Who Exactly are the Taliban? What is Their Order of Battle? And What is Their Relationship to al Qaeda?"

Christine Fair, RAND

"What is Pakistan's Game Plan in the 'War on Terror', Afghanistan and its Federally Administered Tribal Areas?"

Nir Rosen, NYU Center on Law and Security/New America Foundation

"My Encounters with the Taliban and al Qaeda in 2008"

1:15pm

Al Qaeda in the Arab World and Europe

Abdel Bari Atwan, Editor, Al Quds Al Arabi

Author, *The Secret History of Al-Qa'ida*

"Al Qaeda in North Africa and Europe"

Brian Fishman, Combating Terrorism Center at West Point

"What Led to the Demise of Al Qaeda in Iraq? What Lessons Can We Draw for How Violent Jihadist Groups Fail?"

Mohammed Hafez, Naval Postgraduate School

"What Trajectories Could Al Qaeda in Iraq Embark on Given the Tightening Security Situation in Iraq? Lessons from Earlier Jihadi Movements"

Thomas Hegghammer, Harvard University/
Norwegian Defence Research Establishment (FFI)
"Whatever Happened to the Liberation of the Two
Holy Places? Al Qaeda's Saudi failures"

2:30 pm

Counter-Radicalization: What Works?

Christopher Boucek, Carnegie Endowment
"The Saudi Case"

Zachary Abuza, Simmons College
"Cases From Southeast Asia"

Kenneth Ballen, President, Terror Free Tomorrow
"A Global Look at Deradicalization"

3:45pm

Counterterrorism and American Security

Philip Mudd, National Security Branch, FBI
"Understanding the Threat Environment in the
United States"

Marc Sageman, New York Police Department
"Leaderless Jihad and its Implications for US
Security"

Mitchell Silber, Intelligence Division's Analytic and
Cyber Units, New York Police Department
"Radicalization in the West and its Implications
for America"

Ambassador Michael Sheehan, NYU Center on Law
and Security, former NYC Deputy Police
Commissioner
"Advice for the Next Administration"

5:15pm

Adjournment