

## *Roundtable on Strategic Stability*

*Co-organized by GCSP and PIR Center*

### *Participant Biographies*

*(Alphabetical order of names)*

***Ambassador Anatoly Antonov***

*Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Russian Federation to the United States of America*

*Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Russian Federation to the United States of America, Member of the Russian International Affairs Council (RIAC), Ph.D. in Economic Sciences, Doctor of Political Science. Anatoly Antonov was born in 1955 in Omsk, USSR. In 1978, he graduated from the Moscow State Institute of International Relations (MGIMO) and started his diplomatic career at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. He has held various positions at the MFA, its foreign missions and the Ministry of Defense. In 2004, he was appointed Director of the MFA's Department for Security and Disarmament. In 2011, Antonov was promoted to become Deputy Minister of Defense. In 2016, he returned to the MFA as Deputy Foreign Minister. On August 21, 2017, Anatoly Antonov was appointed Russia's Ambassador to the United States. He has headed multiple Russian governmental delegations, including at the negotiations on the New START Treaty. Antonov has been decorated with a number of state awards and medals. Author of the monograph *Arms Control: History, Current Status, and Prospects* published (in Russian) by PIR Center Library Series (2012). Speaks English and Burmese.*

***Mr Andrey Belousov***

*Deputy Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the UN Office and other International Organizations in Geneva on Disarmament Issues*

*In 1997 graduated from Moscow State Institute for International Relation with master degree in International Relations. Since August 1997 till March 2000 and since November 2004 till May 2008 served on various posts in the Division for Military-Political Issues in Russia-US Relations of the North America Department, MFA of the Russian Federation, and dealt with nuclear disarmament and nonproliferation issues as well as with strategic stability issues in Russia-US relations. Since June 2012 has served in the Multilateral Disarmament Division of the Department for Non-Proliferation and Arms Control, MFA of the Russian Federation; since February 2014 as the Head of the Division, dealt with the prevention of an arms race in outer space issues, BTWC, CCW, UN multilateral disarmament machinery; regularly participated as an expert in the work of Russian inter-agency delegations at various multilateral disarmament fora; since May 2018 was a Deputy Director-general on arms control and nonproliferation dealing with multilateral affairs in this sphere. Since May 2019 has been serving as a Deputy Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation in Geneva, being responsible for arms control, disarmament and nonproliferation issues. Since 2012 has been a permanent member of the Russian delegation in the UN GA First Committee.*

**Mr Thomas Blanton**

*Director, National Security Archive, George Washington University*

*Director since 1992 of the independent non-governmental National Security Archive at George Washington University ([www.nsarchive.org](http://www.nsarchive.org)). He won the 2004 Emmy Award for individual achievement in news and documentary research, and on behalf of the Archive received the George Polk Award in 2000 for “piercing self-serving veils of government secrecy.” His books have been awarded the 2011 Link-Kuehl Prize from the Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations, selection by Choice magazine as “Outstanding Academic Title 2017,” and the American Library Association’s James Madison Award Citation in 1996, among other honors. The National Freedom of Information Act Hall of Fame elected him a member in 2006, and Tufts University presented him the Dr. Jean Mayer Global Citizenship Award in 2011 for “decades of demystifying and exposing the underworld of global diplomacy.” His articles have appeared in Diplomatic History, Foreign Policy, The New York Times, and the Washington Post, among many other journals; and he is series co-editor for the National Security Archive’s online and book publications of more than a million pages of declassified U.S. government documents obtained through the Archive’s more than 60,000 Freedom of Information Act requests.*

**General Lieutenant Evgeny Buzhinskiy**

*Chairman of the Executive Board, PIR Center; Co-Chair, Trialogue Club International*

*Lieutenant-General (Retired), Ph.D. Military Sciences. In the Armed Services since 1968. Graduated from the Military Institute of Foreign Languages, M.V. Frunze Military academy. In 2002 he was appointed on the position of Head of the International Treaties Department – Deputy Head of the Main Directorate of International Military Cooperation of the Ministry of Defense of the Russian Federation. Retired from active duty in 2009. In 2009-2017 – PIR Center Consultant, then Senior vice-president. PIR Center’s Chairman of the Executive Board since 2014. From 2016 – Associate professor and Head of Center for Applied Political-Military Research of School of World Politics, Lomonosov Moscow State University. Deputy CEO of Vega Radio Engineering Corporation from 2009 to 2018. Vice-President of Russian International Affairs Council (RIAC). Expertise: arms control, political and military aspects of international security, nonproliferation of weapons of mass destruction, military use of the outer space, Russia-NATO and US-Russia relations.*

**Dr Samuel Charap**

*Senior Political Scientist, RAND Corporation*

*Samuel Charap is a senior political scientist at the RAND Corporation. His research interests include the foreign policies of Russia and the former Soviet states; European and Eurasian regional security; and U.S.-Russia deterrence, strategic stability, and arms control. From November 2012 until April 2017, Charap was the senior fellow for Russia and Eurasia at the International Institute for Strategic Studies. Prior to joining the IISS, he served at the U.S. Department of State as senior advisor to the undersecretary for Arms Control and International Security and on the Secretary’s Policy Planning Staff, covering Russia and Eurasia. From 2009 to 2011, Charap was director for Russia and Eurasia at the Center for American Progress. Charap’s book on the Ukraine crisis, *Everyone Loses: The Ukraine Crisis and the Ruinous Contest for Post-Soviet Eurasia* (coauthored with Timothy Colton), was published in January 2017. His articles have appeared in *The Washington Quarterly*, *Foreign Affairs*, *Survival*, *Current History* and several other journals.*

*Charap was a visiting scholar at the Carnegie Moscow Center and the International Center for Policy Studies (Kyiv), and a Fulbright Scholar at the Moscow State Institute of International Relations. He is fluent in Russian and proficient in Ukrainian. Charap holds a Ph.D. in political science and an M.Phil. in Russian and East European studies from the University of Oxford,*

where he was a Marshall Scholar. He received his B.A. in Russian and political science from Amherst College. He is a life member of the Council on Foreign Relations.

**Dr Elena Chernenko**

Special Correspondent, *Kommersant Daily*; Member of the Executive Board, PIR Center; Co-Chair, *Triologue Club International*

Ph.D. in History from the Lomonosov Moscow State University. In journalism since 2003. Worked as a radio host for the Russian Government's radio broadcasting service *Voice of Russia* and as an editor for the Russian edition of the *Newsweek* magazine. Contributed to the newspaper *Moskauer Deutsche Zeitung* and the wire service *EurActiv*. At the *Kommersant* newspaper since 2010. Member of the Executive Board of PIR Center. Member of the Board of the Council on Foreign and Defense Relations (SVOP). Expertise: arms control, nonproliferation and cyber diplomacy.

**Mr Thomas Countryman**

Chairman, Board of Directors, Arms Control Association

Thomas Countryman served 36 years as a Foreign Service Officer for the US Department of State. At his retirement in 2017, he served as acting Undersecretary of State for Arms Control and International Security, and as Assistant Secretary of State for Nonproliferation. Since 2017, he has been the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Arms Control Association.

**Ms Constance Dumont**

Project Officer, Director's Office, Geneva Centre for Security Policy

Constance is the project officer to the Director's Office at the Geneva Centre for Security Policy, where she works since 2018. Amongst other projects she works on different dialogue processes focused on relations between Russia and the West, post-war reconstruction in Syria and European Security. In these projects she supports the facilitation of dialogues, as well as the research on topics in the MENA region and the EU. She holds a master's degree in International Politics from the School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), where she specialized in the Middle East and Africa. Her research focused on the security nexus of states in the Sahel and the paradox of ungoverned spaces in the development of the Mali War. Her first assignment in Geneva was for the United Nations Human Rights Office of the High Commissioner (OHCHR), where she worked on eleven thematic mandates, drafting communications and observation reports for the Special Rapporteurs on the Migrants, Indigenous Peoples and Slavery mandates.

**Ambassador Thomas Greminger**

Director, Geneva Centre for Security Policy

Ambassador Thomas Greminger is the Director of the Geneva Centre for Security Policy (GCSP) since 1 May 2021. Previously, he served as Secretary General of the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE) from July 2017 until July 2020. Ambassador Greminger served as Deputy Director General of the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation at the Federal Department of Foreign Affairs from 2015 to 2017 and as the Permanent Representative of Switzerland to the OSCE, the United Nations and the International Organizations in Vienna from 2010 to 2015. From 2004 to 2010, he served as Head of the Human Security Division of the Federal Department of Foreign Affairs. Ambassador Greminger also served as Deputy Head of the Human Security Division from 2002 to 2004, and from 1999 to 2001 as Country Director at the Swiss Embassy in Maputo, Mozambique. From 1994 to 1998, he served in different posts in

*the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation, including Head of the Policy and Research Unit. Ambassador Greminger holds a PhD in history from the University of Zurich. He is Lieutenant Colonel GS (company and battalion commander of infantry unit of the Swiss Armed Forces; G6 and Deputy Chief of Staff of Infantry Brigade). He has authored numerous publications on military history, conflict management, peacekeeping, development and human rights.*

**Ms Elena Karnaukhova**

*Deputy Director, Education & Training Program Director, PIR Center*

*In January of 2021 joined PIR Center as an Assistant to Director on Special Projects & Education and Training Program Coordinator. Since July 2022 she has been a Deputy Director & Education and Training Program Director of PIR Center. Within the Tenth NPT Review Conference coordinated the work of PIR Center team representatives, who participated in the forum given PIR Center consultative status with ECOSOC. Was one of the editors of PIR Center Security Index Occasional Paper Series the Tenth NPT Review Conference (2022): Chronicle of the Failure Foretold. Also holds the positions of Executive Secretary of the Dialogue Club International, Executive Secretary of PIR Center International School on Global Security, Executive Secretary of PIR Center Advisory Board. Graduated from the School of World Politics of Lomonosov Moscow State University with honours degrees in International Relations with major in International Security. Currently 3-year PhD student of the School of World Politics of Lomonosov Moscow State University.*

**Dr Andrei Malov**

*Former Russian Diplomat, specialized in Nuclear Nonproliferation, Arms Control and Space Security; Member of the Advisory Board, PIR Center*

*PhD in Political science. Graduated from Maurice Thorez Moscow State Institute of Foreign Languages. Worked at the Committee of the Soviet Youth Organizations responsible for emerging leaders programs. In 1991-1994 – a researcher and lecturer at the Institute for Economic Strategies, Russian Academy of Sciences. In 1991 – a visiting professor in Western International University (Phoenix, Arizona). From 1993 to 2018 he served at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation. Seconded in the OSCE missions in Nagorny Karabakh (1994-1996) and Bosnia and Herzegovina (1996-1998). Worked on arms control, nonproliferation and disarmament issues at the Russian Ministry of Foreign Affairs since 1998. For example, he participated in the negotiations on multilateral disarmament as an official member of the Russian delegations. Headed the Russian delegations on LAWs issue within the GGE (unofficial and official formats) in the framework of CCW in Geneva (2013 – 2018). Member of the Advisory Board of PIR Center. Expertise: space security and militarization of outer space, nonproliferation, arms control, multilateral disarmament, inhumane weapons and international humanitarian law.*

**Ms Alexandra Matas**

*Special Advisor to the Director, Geneva Centre for Security Policy*

*Ms Matas is a Special Advisor to the Director of the GCSP. She focuses on policy advice to the Director and designs and oversees a number of dialogue processes in Geneva and internationally focused on relations between Russia and the West, European Security, the OSCE conflict prevention mechanisms, post-war reconstruction in Syria, as well as others. She is a regular contributor to international conferences and workshops, while also teaching various modules at the GCSP courses: European Security Course, Leadership in International Security Course, Swiss Military Professional Officers Training and others. As the Head of the Effective*



*Governance cluster, Ms Matas directed executive education programmes for State officials from Myanmar, Tunisia, Iraq, Cameroon and other countries.*

**Dr Vladimir Orlov**

*Founding Director, PIR Center*

*PhD in Political Science. Founder (in 1994) and director of PIR Center. Founder (in 1993) and President of the Trialogue Club International. Professor at MGIMO University. From 2015 to 2018 Dr Orlov was a member of the UN Secretary General's Advisory Board on Disarmament Matters. Advisor to the official Russian delegation on the 2010, 2015, and 2020 (2022) NPT Review Conferences. He is the executive editor and one of the authors of the textbook Nuclear Nonproliferation – a two-volume book, according to which students and graduate students study at universities in Russia and a number of other countries. Academic Advisor of the International Dual Degree MA Program Global Security, Nuclear Policy, and WMD Nonproliferation (implemented jointly by MGIMO University, PIR Center and Middlebury Institute of International Studies at Monterey, USA). Most recently, editor (with Mr Sergey Semenov) and an author of the monograph Russia-US Nuclear Nonproliferation Dialogue: Lessons Learned and Road Ahead (Palgrave Macmillan, 2022). Specialist in the field of international security and foreign policy of the Russian Federation. Expertise: modern challenges and threats to international security, nonproliferation of nuclear weapons.*

**Dr William C. Potter**

*Director, James Martin Center for Nonproliferation Studies and Sam Nunn; Richard Lugar Professor of Nonproliferation Studies Middlebury Institute of International Studies at Monterey*

*Potter is the director of the James Martin Center for Nonproliferation Studies and is the author or editor of over two dozen books. His present research focuses on the history of radiological weapons, the politics of the NPT review process, and military innovation. He has served as a consultant to the former Arms Control and Disarmament Agency, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, and the RAND Corporation, and has been a member of numerous National Academy of Sciences committees. Potter was trained as a Soviet specialist and wrote his first book on the technology, economics, and politics of nuclear nonproliferation. He soon became fascinated by parallels in Soviet and U.S. nuclear export and nonproliferation policy and the degree of cooperation between the two Cold War adversaries in the sphere of nonproliferation. As such, he was one of the very few scholars knowledgeable about both Soviet affairs and the dangers of nuclear weapons spread when the Soviet Union collapsed. He parlayed that knowledge and an interest in “open source” (unclassified) data collection to build what soon became the largest research and training center on curtailing the spread of weapons of mass destruction in the world—the Center for Nonproliferation Studies (CNS).*

**Colonel (ret) Wolfgang Richter**

*Associate Fellow, Geneva Centre for Security Policy*

*Colonel (ret) Wolfgang Richter has been working as a security analyst after retirement from military service in 2010. From 2010 to 2022 he was a Senior Associate with the German Institute for International and Security Affairs (SWP) in Berlin. His research areas and numerous publications cover the European security order including the role of the OSCE, NATO-Russia relations, territorial conflicts, conventional and nuclear arms control, and military strategies. He also published policy papers on the use of armed drones and the use of explosive weapons in populated areas. In 2009, he contributed to the Independent International Fact Finding Mission on the Conflict in Georgia (IIFFMCG).*

*In his military career as a general staff officer in the German Federal Armed Forces he dealt with strategic planning, nuclear deterrence and conventional defence concepts, military tasks and structures of the Bundeswehr, and arms control issues. Educated at the Führungsakademie in Hamburg he served in various command and general staff functions, inter alia, as Chief of Staff of a German Airborne Brigade (1985-87), planning staff officer in NATO Headquarters SHAPE (1987-89) and the German Ministry of Defence (1993-95), commander of a Motorized Rifle Regiment of the former National People's Army after the unification of Germany (1991-93), and head of the conventional arms control division of the Bundeswehr Verification Centre (1999-2004). He was posted as a delegate to the CFE negotiations in Vienna (1989) and as a senior military advisor to the Permanent Representations of Germany to the Conference on Disarmament in Geneva, the UN Disarmament fora in New York (1995-1999) and the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) (2005-2009). There, he represented Germany in the Joint Consultative Group on the CFE Treaty.*

**Ms Lynn Rusten**

*Vice President for Global Nuclear Policy Program, Nuclear Threat Initiative (NTI)*

*Lynn Rusten serves as the vice president for NTI's Global Nuclear Policy Program. In this role, she leads NTI's efforts aimed at reducing the risk that nuclear weapons will be used, preventing their spread, and ultimately ending them as a threat to the world. Rusten has held senior positions in the White House, Department of State and Congress. She served during the Obama administration as a senior director for arms control and non-proliferation on the White House National Security Council staff and held senior positions at the Department of State. Earlier she was a professional staff member on the Senate Armed Services Committee, served in a variety of roles in the Department of State and the U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency (ACDA), was director of the National Academy of Sciences' Committee on International Security and Arms Control, and was a senior research assistant in international affairs at the Congressional Research Service. Rusten received an M.S. in National Security Strategy from the National War College; an M.A. in Russian and East European Studies from the University of Michigan; and a B.A. in Government with High Honours from Oberlin College.*

**Dr Svetlana Savranskaya**

*Senior Analyst at the National Security Archive of George Washington University and Director of the Archive's Russia Programs*

*Dr Svetlana Savranskaya is a Senior Analyst at the National Security Archive at George Washington University and since 2001 the director of the Archive's Russia programs. She leads the Cooperative Threat Reduction Program of the Archive, focusing on the Nunn-Lugar initiative and the ongoing challenges of U.S.-Russia cooperation, and manages the Archive's relationships with Russian academics and organizations. She served as lead organizer for the historic 2013 Nunn-Lugar conference at Musgrove, and the 2015 Kazakhstan Nunn-Lugar conference in Astana and Kurchatov as well as the international conference on the withdrawal of nuclear weapons from Ukraine in Siena in 2019. She is the author, with Thomas Blanton, of the book *The Last Superpower Summits: Gorbachev, Reagan and Bush*, (Budapest: Central European University Press, 2016), and editor of the book by the late Sergo Mikoyan, *The Soviet Cuban Missile Crisis: Castro, Mikoyan, Kennedy, Khrushchev and the Missiles of November* (Stanford: Stanford University Press/Woodrow Wilson Center Press, 2012) She won the Link-Kuehl Prize in 2011 from the Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations, for the best documentary publication over the previous two years, for her book (with Thomas Blanton and Vladislav Zubok) *"Masterpieces of History": The Peaceful End of the Cold War in Europe 1989* (Budapest/New York: Central European University Press, 2010). Her essays were published in major academic journals and edited volumes. She also serves as an adjunct professor teaching U.S.-Russian relations and Russian politics at the American University School of International*

*Service in Washington D.C. (since 2001). She earned her Ph.D. in political science and international affairs in 1998 from Emory University, where she studied with Professors Robert Pastor and Thomas Remington. A "Red Diploma" graduate of the Moscow State University in 1988, she went on to study at the Institute of World Economy and International Relations of the USSR Academy of Sciences in 1989-90, before moving to Emory for her Ph.D.*

**Mr Dmitry Stefanovich**

*Research Fellow of the Sector of Military Economy and Innovations, Staff Member of the Department of Military and Economic Security Research, Staff Member of the Center for International Security, IMEMO RAS; Member of the Advisory Board, PIR Center*

*Research Fellow at the Center for International Security at the Primakov National Research Institute of World Economy and International Relations (IMEMO RAS). Member of the Advisory Board of PIR Center. Expert at the Russian International Affairs Council (RIAC) and the Valdai Club. In 2019 he was a Visiting Research Fellow at the Institute for Peace Research and Security Policy at the University of Hamburg (IFSH), Arms Control and Emerging Technologies program. Dmitry was a participant of international projects under the auspices of leading think tanks, as well as several Track II and Track 1.5 dialogue platforms. He is an author of numerous publications for academic journals, think tanks and media. Expertise: strategic weapons, long-range precision weapons, hypersonic weapons, space weaponization, disruptive technologies and their impact on international security and strategic stability, arms control, regional security.*

**Honorable Dov S. Zakheim**

*Senior Advisor at the Center for Strategic and International Studies and Senior Fellow at the CNA Corporation (CNA)*

*Dov S. Zakheim is Senior Advisor at the Center for Strategic and International Studies and Senior Fellow at the CNA Corporation, a federally funded think tank. Previously he was Senior Vice President of Booz Allen Hamilton where he led the Firm's support of U.S. Combatant Commanders worldwide.*

*From 2001 to April 2004 he was Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller) and Chief Financial Officer for the Department of Defense, and from 2002-2004 he was also DOD's coordinator of civilian programs in Afghanistan. From 1985 until 1987, Dr. Zakheim was Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Planning and Resources, playing an active role in the Department's system acquisition, strategic planning, programming and budget processes. He held other senior DOD posts from 1981-1985.*

*Dr. Zakheim has served on numerous government, corporate, non-profit and charitable boards.. He currently serves on the National Security Commission on Biotechnology and the Board of Control of the United States Naval Academy Athletic Association; the Naval War College Press advisory board and is an Advisor to the Chief of Naval Operations.*

*Dr. Zakheim is Vice Chairman of the Foreign Policy Research Institute's Board of Trustees; a member of the Council on Foreign Relations; Chatham House/the Royal Institute of International Affairs (UK) and the International Institute for Strategic Studies. He was elected a Fellow of the Royal Swedish Academy of War Sciences in 2011.*

*A 1970 Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Columbia University with a B.A., summa cum laude, Dr. Zakheim also studied at the London School of Economics. He holds a doctorate in economics and politics at St. Antony's College, University of Oxford. He has been an adjunct Senior Fellow*



*of the Council on Foreign Relations, an adjunct Scholar of the Heritage Foundation and an adjunct professor at the National War College and at four universities.*

*Dr. Zakheim is the author of four books as well as hundreds of monographs, chapters in edited volumes, articles and book reviews on national security issues. He is a regular contributor to The Hill and a columnist for The Jerusalem Strategic Tribune and chairman of its Advisory Board.*

*Dr. Zakheim is the recipient of numerous awards for his government, professional and civic work, including the Defense Department's highest civilian award in 1986, 1987 and 2004, and the United States Navy's Award for Distinguished Public Service.*