

# ALUMNI NEWS

## NDU INTERNATIONAL FELLOWS ALUMNI



### SPRING 2022

Happy Spring NDU International Alumni!

2022 has begun in DC with spring showers, blossoms, along with newfound challenges and opportunities that face us in the year ahead.

In these uncertain times, we still come together at NDU to learn, explore, and build relationships with one another at the National Defense University. In these past three months, the team has executed five field studies programs, oversaw the graduation of some of our short-course students at Norfolk, and we are eyeing a rapidly approaching graduation for our beloved current class.

With the summer rapidly approaching, we are proud to announce the dates and location of the next Alumni Continuing Education Security Seminar (ACCESS)! It is taking place in Sydney, Australia from August 8 – 12, 2022. ACCESS is where you can engage with NDU alumni from around the world and participate in a robust academic program. Participants from all over the globe join the event and half of them are serving in General/Flag Officer assignments. It's truly a tremendously unique opportunity to educate and learn from one another at the strategic level. More information can be found further in the newsletter. We look forward to seeing some of you there in August.

We wish you and your families the best and may global peace come soon.

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# *NDU COURSE UPDATES*

## College of Information and Cyberspace (Ft. McNair)

CIC is delivering the Chief Information Officer Leadership Development Program (CIO-LDP) – a 14-week course focused on educating officers in ranks O4-O6 or civilian equivalent on the strategic use of information and information technology. They will earn a 15 Credit Hour Graduate Masters Certificate. All countries welcome to enroll on a first-come, first-served basis.

Dates for AY 22-23:

Fall LDP: August 10, 2022 – November 18, 2022 (spots available)

Spring LDP: January 18, 2022 – April 28, 2022 (nearly full)

Additionally, the College of Information and Cyberspace offers more than a dozen courses on various topics delivered virtually asynchronously (DL) over the span of 12 weeks. ECL is 90.

Dates for AY 22-23:

Fall DL's: September 12 – December 4

Spring DL's: January 9 – April 2

Summer DL: April 10 – June 25



NDU students making a visit to a local school's Cyber Club

# ACCESS UPDATES



*To discuss topics such as...*

-The Space In-between: Irregular Warfare in Great Power Competition

-Thugs, Bugs, & Rising Seas: Human Security

-Deterrence in the Age of Cyberpower

*...and many more topics!*



## Frequently Asked Questions

- How can I join?
  - Funding through your country's Security Cooperation Office (SCO) at the U.S. Embassy
  - Self-funding (personal or organizational/service)
- Who will be there?
  - NDU alumni from around the world, including many GO/FO and Flag Officers
- Do I have to be an active duty to attend?
  - If you're receiving funding through your embassy SCO - yes!
  - If you're self-funding - no!
- Will there be personalized invitations going out?
  - If you need one, please send us a request via email.
- I have more questions, who should I contact?
  - Please email: [ismo@ndualumni.org](mailto:ismo@ndualumni.org)



# FROM THE CLASSROOM

Read an article from the most recent volume of Prism, NDU's Journal of Complex Operations.

## Articles Featured Inside:



### Welcome to the New Abnormal

*By Michael Miklaucic and Amit Gupta*



### The Impact of COVID-19 on the U.S. Defense Industrial Base

*By Nayantara D. Hensel*



### Neither Triumph nor Disaster: United Kingdom Responses to COVID-19 and the Future of National Security

*By Nicholas Wright*



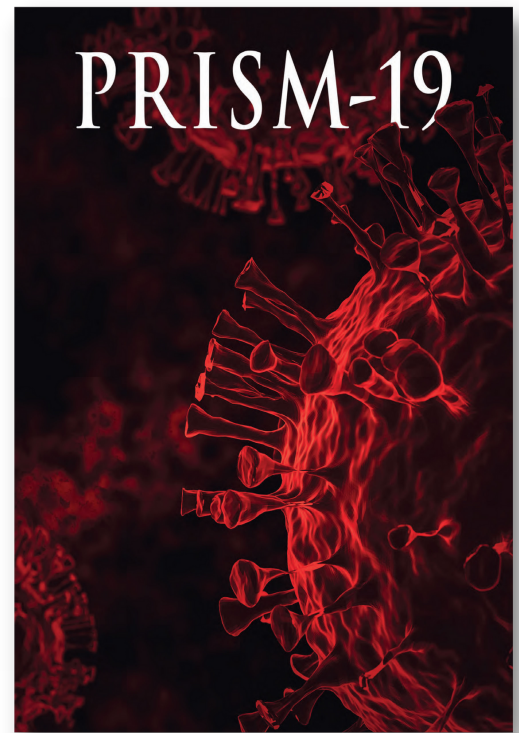
### U.S. SOUTHCOM Fights Through COVID-19

*By Michael T. Plehn*



### The Dutch Approach to COVID-19: How is it Distinctive?

*By Caroline van Dulleman and Jeanne de Bruijn*



*"The COVID-19 pandemic is the most globally disruptive event since the terrorist attack against the United States in 2001."*

MICHAEL MIKLAUCIC AND AMIT GUPTA

## Additional Articles and Further Reading:

### North Korea Is Becoming an Asset for China



*By Sungmin Cho and Oriana Skylar Mastro;*  
Foreign Affairs

### Ukraine Quarterly Digest: January-March 2022

*By Andrian Prokip; Wilson Center*

### The Costs of Hun Sen's Doomed Myanmar Policy

*By Charles Dunst; Center for Strategic and International Studies*



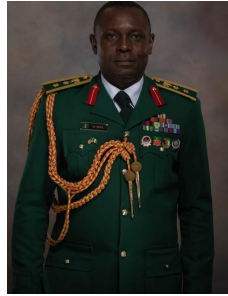


# ALUMNI ON THE MOVE

Our congratulations to any and all alumni.



LTC Omar Faye  
Senegal  
HDF ('17)



BG Solomon Diwa  
Nigeria  
CISA ('20)



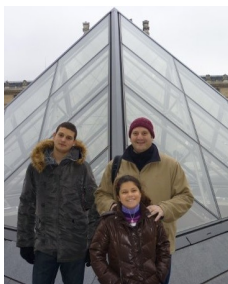
BG Shewanth Kulatunge  
Sri Lanka  
CISA ('18)



LTC (ret.) Hernán Alonso  
Palacio García  
Colombia  
CISA ('19)



MG Abubakar Adamu  
Nigeria  
ES ('16)



CAPT Leonardo Felici  
JCWS ('13)



GEN (ret.) Ricardo  
Gomez Nieto  
NWC ('08)



ADM Bambang  
Dharmawan  
CIC ('20)



MG Kimura Akitsugu  
CIC ('21)



MG Luis Carlos Cordoba  
Avendaño  
Colombia  
CISA ('12)

## Congratulations to:

- LTC Omar Faye (HDF '17) for his promotion to Lieutenant Colonel
- BG Solomon Diwa (CISA '20) for his promotion to Brigadier General
- BG Shewanth Kulatunge (CISA '18) for his appointment to 24th Director of the Directorate of Plans at the Army Headquarters in Sri Jayawardenepura
- Colombian LTC (ret.) Hernán Alonso Palacio García (CISA '19) for his retirement
- MG Abubakar Adamu (ES '16) for his promotion to Major General in the Nigerian Army
- CAPT Leonardo Felici (JCWS '13) for his appointment to Defense Attaché to Amb. of the Eastern Republic of Uruguay in the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela
- GEN (ret.) Ricardo Gomez Nieto (NWC '08) for his appointment to the Manager of Indumil
- ADM Bambang Dharmawan (CIC '20) for his promotion to First Admiral in the Head of International Cooperation Center for the Indonesian Armed Forces
- MG Kimura Akitsugu (CIC '21) for his promotion to Major General and appointment to Commanding General of the SDF Cyber Protection Command of Japan
- MG Luis Carlos Cordoba Avendaño (CISA '12) for his promotion to Major General in the Colombian Air Force

Have you recently been promoted, assigned to a new position, or retired? Let us know! Send an email to [ismo@ndualumni.org](mailto:ismo@ndualumni.org) or [fill out this survey](#).

## Keep in Touch

Be sure to follow ISMO on [Facebook](#) and [LinkedIn](#) for updates on your Fellow Alumni, upcoming events, and life at NDU.



## UPDATES

Belgium Colonel Peter Hubrecht (NWC, '07), who is serving in the EU Training Mission in the Central African Republic, met with its newly appointed US Ambassador Patricia Mahoney (NWC, '09).

The NDU alumni network lives on with each and every single one of you.



## IN REMEMBRANCE



Turut berduka cita atas meninggalnya Danrem 182 Jazira Onim Kol. Arh. Jusak Prastia Girsang, Semoga amal ibadah beliau diterima Tuhan Yang Maha Kuasa, dan keluarga yang ditinggalkan diberikan ketabahan.

We regret to inform our community of the loss of Indonesian alumnus Col Girsang (JAWS '21). He passed away in his home country and we are sending our deepest condolences to his wife and his family.