The Henry J. Leir Professorship in International Humanitarian Studies Lecture
and
The Inaugural Henry J. Leir Human Security Award

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The Fletcher School, Tufts University
Henry J. Leir Professorship in International Humanitarian Studies

Holders of this endowed professorship are accomplished scholars in human security committed to bringing together the concerns and practices that deal with “freedom from fear and freedom from want,” with a strong ultimate focus on human well-being.

DR. KIMBERLY THEIDON is a medical anthropologist and distinguished scholar, specializing in political violence, transitional justice, reconciliation, and the politics of post-war reparations. Her most recent book, *Intimate Enemies: Violence and Reconciliation in Peru* (University of Pennsylvania Press, 2012) was awarded the 2013 Honorable Mention from the Washington Office on Latin America-Duke University Libraries Book Award for Human Rights in Latin America, and the 2013 Honorable Mention for the Eileen Basker Prize from the Society for Medical Anthropology for research on gender and health. Professor Theidon is now completing two manuscripts. The first, *Pasts Imperfect: Working with Former Combatants in Colombia*, is based on her research with former combatants from the paramilitaries, the FARC, and the ELN. The second manuscript draws upon her research in Peru on sexual violence, children born of wartime rape, and the politics of reparations. Prior to her appointment at Fletcher, she was the John L. Loeb Associate Professor of the Social Sciences in the Department of Anthropology at Harvard University, and a fellow at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars. She holds a Ph.D. from the University of California at Berkeley.

Henry J. Leir Human Security Award

The Institute for Human Security established the Henry J. Leir Human Security Award in 2015 to honor outstanding alumni who have made significant contributions to the scholarship and/or practice of human security.

DR. MARIA J. STEPHAN, F02, F005, is the first recipient of the annual Henry J. Leir Human Security Award. She is a senior policy fellow at the United States Institute of Peace, and a nonresident senior fellow at the Atlantic Council, where she focuses on the dynamics of civil resistance and its relevance for violent conflict prevention and democratic development. Previously, Dr. Stephan was lead foreign affairs officer in the U.S. State Department’s Bureau of Conflict and Stabilization Operations. Earlier, she was detailed to the U.S. Embassy in Kabul, Afghanistan, to focus on subnational governance and civil-military planning. Prior to government service, Dr. Stephan directed policy and research at the International Center on Nonviolent Conflict, a D.C.-based NGO dedicated to developing and disseminating knowledge about nonviolent struggle. Dr. Stephan is the editor of *Civilian Jihad: Nonviolent Struggle, Democratization, and Governance in the Middle East* (Palgrave, 2009), a co-editor of *Is Authoritarianism Staging a Comeback?* (Atlantic Council, 2015) and the co-author of *Why Civil Resistance Works: The Strategic Logic of Nonviolent Conflict* (Columbia University Press, 2011). The latter book was awarded the 2012 Woodrow Wilson Foundation Prize by the American Political Science Association for the best book published in political science and the 2012 University of Louisville Grawemeyer Award for Ideas Improving World Order. Dr. Stephan holds a MALD and Ph.D. from The Fletcher School.

Welcome

Dr. David Harris
Provost and Senior Vice President, Tufts University

Introduction of the Henry J. Leir Professor in International Humanitarian Studies

Admiral James Stavridis, USN (ret.)
Dean, The Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy

Lecture

“A Greater Measure of Justice: Reflections on the Women, Peace, and Security Agenda”

Dr. Kimberly Theidon

Presentation of the Inaugural Henry J. Leir Human Security Award

Dr. Eileen Babbitt
Director, Institute for Human Security/Professor of Practice, International Conflict Analysis and Resolution, The Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy

Acceptance of Award

Dr. Maria J. Stephan

Closing

Admiral James Stavridis, USN (ret.)
Dean, The Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy
Institute for Human Security, The Fletcher School

The Institute for Human Security (IHS) focuses on the security and protection of individuals and communities while promoting peace and sustainable development. To achieve this, IHS catalyzes collaboration between and creates synergies among the fields that place people at the center of concern: conflict resolution, human rights, humanitarian studies, and political and economic development. Our research, education, and policy engagement emphasize the protection of the rights of at-risk populations, empowerment of people, and promotion of responsible government and institutional practices.

Henry J. Leir Charitable Foundations

The Leir Charitable Foundations continue the philanthropic work of the late industrialist Henry J. Leir, a longtime friend and supporter of Tufts University, whose bequest established the Henry J. Leir Chair in International Humanitarian Studies at The Fletcher School in 2000.

The support of the Leir Charitable Foundations has been instrumental in enabling the establishment and growth of the Institute for Human Security.