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**MONTICELLO**

**The American Academy of Diplomacy and  
Robert H. Smith International Center for Jefferson Studies at Monticello**  
*present:*

**Diplomacy & Education: Discovering and Teaching Reality**  
*An Arthur Ross Discussion of American Diplomacy*

Monday, June 13, 2011

8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

The Robert H. Smith Center at Montalto

*“if a nation expects to be ignorant & free, in a state of civilisation, it expects what never was & never will be.” - Thomas Jefferson, 1816*

The principal objective of this conference is to explore the connection between education and diplomacy as envisaged by Thomas Jefferson in the context of the contemporary world. Just as education in Jeffersonian thought is universal, so is diplomacy. With the 21<sup>st</sup> century national security challenges the U.S. is facing today, it is important for Americans to understand what diplomacy brings; the reality of how it works as well as the goals of policy. The conference will explore how understanding of diplomatic practice differs from traditional diplomatic history and why these differences are essential to teaching realistic thinking about the potentials and the limits to the pursuit of vital national interests. It will discuss as well how current and future U.S. diplomats are being prepared, educated and trained for their careers.

**The American Academy of Diplomacy (AAD) and the Robert H. Smith International Center for Jefferson Studies (ICJS)** invite you to attend “Diplomacy & Education: Discovering and Teaching Reality” an Arthur Ross Discussion of American Diplomacy, on June 13, 2011. The conference agenda is provided below.

The morning sessions are open to the public. The luncheon and afternoon workshop are invitation only. *Attendees are responsible for their own travel and lodging.*

To register, please fill out [this form](#).

Please park at the Thomas Jefferson Visitors Center. Shuttles will be running guests to Montalto starting at 7:30 am.

**AAD/ICJS CONFERENCE AGENDA**  
**Monday, June 13, 2011**

**8:00 AM        REGISTRATION**

**8:30 AM        WELCOMING REMARKS**

Dr. Andrew O'Shaughnessy, Director, Robert H. Smith International Center for Jefferson Studies  
Ambassador Ronald E. Neumann (ret.), President, American Academy of Diplomacy

**8:45 AM        OPENING REMARKS: LIBERTY, DEMOCRACY, EDUCATION & DIPLOMACY**

Dr. Ruhi Ramazani, Edward R. Stettinius Professor Emeritus of Government & Foreign Affairs,  
University of Virginia

**9:00 AM        PANEL: THE IMPORTANCE OF TEACHING DIPLOMATIC HISTORY**

Why is diplomatic history important? This panel will focus on President Jefferson's thoughts on the subject and will discuss implications for those teaching diplomatic history today.

Ambassador Ryan Crocker, Dean, Bush School of Government and Public Service, Texas A&M  
University

Dr. James Sofka, Lecturer, Federal Executive Institute and American Military University  
Professor Frank Cogliano, Professor of American History at the University of Edinburgh

**10:20 AM        BREAK**

**10:35 AM        PANEL: DIPLOMATIC PRACTICE**

This panel will consider the peculiarities of studying diplomatic practice including the question of why it is being taught separately from diplomatic history

Ambassador Anthony C.E. Quainton (ret.), Diplomat in Residence AT American University School of  
International Service

Ambassador Teresita C. Schaffer (ret.), Senior Advisor to McLarty Associates

**12:00 PM        ADJOURN**

***SPECIAL INVITATION ONLY***

**12:30 PM        LUNCHEON KEYNOTE – DIPLOMACY: TYING TOGETHER THEORY & PRACTICE**

Ambassador Chester A. Crocker (ret.), James R. Schlesinger Professor of Strategic Studies, Georgetown  
University Edmund A. Walsh School of Foreign Service

**1:45 PM        FORMAL CONFERENCE ADJOURNS**

**3:30 PM        WORKSHOP & DISCUSSION: METHODS OF TEACHING DIPLOMATIC PRACTICE**

This panel will explore various approaches to teaching diplomatic practice. Participants will debate different methods and identify and capture best practices.

Ambassador Howard Schaffer (ret.), Senior Counselor, Institute for the Study of Diplomacy at  
Georgetown University

Ambassador Barbara Bodine (ret.), Diplomat in Residence, Woodrow Wilson School of Public and  
International Affairs at Princeton University

Moderator: Dr. James Sofka, Lecturer, Federal Executive Institute and American Military University

**5:00 PM        WORKSHOP ADJOURNS**