

Dear Perry Center alumni,

Greetings from Washington!

New Perry Center Director Arrives

We are happy to announce that our new director, Mark Wilkins, starts with us on June 30th. He comes to us from Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD) Policy's Defense Institution Reform Initiative (DIRI). Mr. Wilkins is a retired Colonel who served in the Army for thirty years. He has a Master's degree in Latin American Studies from the University of Florida and has received numerous awards throughout his career. You can read his biography here. <http://chds.dodlive.mil/files/2014/06/New-Perry-Center-Director-2014-2.pdf>

Upcoming Event

On Wednesday, June 25th, the next Perry Center Hemispheric Forum will take place from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Eastern Time (UTC -5 hours). The topic is "Dynamics of the current FARC Demobilization Program: Implications for End of Conflict." The speakers will be Dr. David Spencer, Ms. Christine Balling, and Dr. Adam Isacson. The forum will be in English with simultaneous Spanish interpretation and will be available via live webcast at <http://chds.dodlive.mil/hemispheric-forum/>. For those in the Washington, DC area, we invite you to attend the event in person. Please RSVP to CHDSProtocol@ndu.edu or 202-685-4665. Location of the event is Abraham Lincoln Hall Room 3212 (Proceres Room) on Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, DC

Alumni Spotlight publication

The weekly Alumni Spotlight feature on our blog www.chdsonline.blogspot.com highlights alumni publications, promotions, special recognitions and other professional accomplishments. This year we are excited to offer a special end-of-year publication that will include a compilation of these highlights and many others from our alumni community. To be included in this publication, please send us a short description of your accomplishments and a quality digital picture (jpeg preferred) to chdsalumni@ndu.edu.

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