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IDPSA Friday Forum

*First Friday Forum of Spring 2009
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Friday, January 30th

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The Obama Administration and the Palestinian/Israeli Conflict *Wednesday, January 28, 11:30am to 1:30pm*
SIS Lounge

Presented by the School of International Service, International Politics Field and the Center for Israel Studies. Moderated by **SIS Professor Boaz Atzili**

Panelists: **Amjad Atallah**, Director of the Middle East Task Force at the New America Foundation; **Aaron David Miller**, Woodrow Wilson Center and a former advisor on Arab-Israeli negotiations 1978-2003; **Joshua Moravchik**, Adjunct Scholar, Washington Institute for Near East Policy and Adjunct Professor, Institute of World Politics; **Yoram Peri**, Berman Visiting Professor of Israel Studies at AU, Head of the Rothschild-Caesarea School of Communication and Cahim Herzog Institute at Tel Aviv University.

7th Annual Black History Month Film Festival – Solutions Through Film *February 7, 12-8pm*
AFI Silver Theatre, 8633 Colesville Road, Silver Spring MD, 20910

Men Can Stop Rape and the Men of Strength (MOST) Club are pleased to announce its 7th Annual Black History Month Film Festival – Solutions Through Film. Centered on the theme "Hearing and Supporting Young Women of Color," the festival will showcase three thought-provoking documentaries: *The Souls of Black Girls*, the award-winning *The Boys of Baraka*, and the New York Times Critics' Pick *Very Young Girls*.

Hosted by the Men of Strength Club, a male teen violence prevention program sited in every Washington, DC public high school, Solutions Through Film uses eye-opening films and dynamic workshop discussions to open communication across barriers in gender, age, and race. MOST Club is a program of Men Can Stop Rape, a nonprofit that works worldwide in engaging young men to end violence against women.

Go to WWW.MENCANSTOPRAPE.ORG to purchase single session, half-day session, and full-day session passes. Half-day and full-day sessions include a catered lunch. Tickets can also be purchased at the door. Discounts are available for high school and college students. E-mail questions to info@mencanstoprape.org.

Foreign Assistance in a Time of Crisis: Priorities for a New Administration, *Thursday, January 29, 12:00 - 2:00 pm*
SAIS Kenney Auditorium, Nitze Building, 1740 Massachusetts Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036 - Metro: Dupont Circle (red line)

Presented by the Project on Middle East Democracy (POMED) and the SAIS International Development Program.

In this panel discussion, speakers will explore questions about the current predicament and future prospects of foreign assistance. How will the economic crisis affect the incoming administration's foreign assistance priorities? Is the next president likely to increase or decrease aid to the Middle East? Will the institutional frameworks established under the Bush administration, such as the Middle East Partnership Initiative (MEPI) and the Millennium Challenge Corporation (MCC), be preserved, and if so, in what form? Which development institutions have been most effective on political reform-related criteria? What lessons about foreign assistance have been learned during the last eight years?

Please join us for a panel discussion with: **Jim Kolbe**, Member of the United States House of Representatives, 1985-2007; **Navtej Dhillon**, Director, Middle East Youth Initiative, Brookings Institution. The discussion will be moderated by **Andrew Albertson**, Executive Director of the Project on Middle East Democracy. Lunch will be served.

Please RSVP by contacting rsvp@pomед.org

Job/Internship Opportunities

More event information is available on the IDPSA List Serve

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Global Health and Innovation Summit A Conference Presented Annually by Unite For Sight Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut, USA Saturday, April 18 - Sunday, April 19, 2009

<http://www.uniteforsight.org/conference> **NEW: Conference Schedule Online**

Early Bird Rate - Register Before January 30 To Secure Lowest Rate: <http://www.uniteforsight.org/conference>

"A Meeting of Minds," --CNN

200 Speakers, Including Keynote Addresses by Dr. Susan Blumenthal, Nicholas Kristof, Dr. Jeffrey Sachs, Dr. Sonia Sachs, Dr. Al Sommer, and Dr. Harold Varmus. Plus social innovation sessions by CEOs and Directors of Save The Children, Partners in Health, HealthStore Foundation, mothers2mothers, and many others.

What? Join 2,500 people from all 50 states and from more than 60 countries for an innovative, high-impact idea incubator.

Who should attend? Students, professionals, educators, doctors, scientists, lawyers, universities, corporations, nonprofits, and others. Anyone interested in international health and development, public health, eye care, medicine, social entrepreneurship, nonprofits, philanthropy, microfinance, human rights, anthropology, health policy, advocacy, public service, environmental health, and education.

Confirmed Keynote Speakers

"Global Health Challenges and Opportunities," Susan Blumenthal, MD, MPA, Former US Assistant Surgeon General, Clinical Professor of Psychiatry at Georgetown School of Medicine and Tufts University Medical Center; Senior Medical Advisor, amfAR (The Foundation for AIDS Research; Chair, Global Health Program, Meridian International Center

"The Challenges of Development and Making Aid Work," Nicholas Kristof, Columnist, The New York Times

Jeffrey Sachs, PhD, Director of Earth Institute at Columbia University; Quetelet Professor of Sustainable Development, Professor of Health Policy and Management, Columbia University; Special Advisor to Secretary-General of the United Nations Ban Ki-moon

"Millennium Villages: Update," Sonia Ehrlich Sachs, MD, MPH, Health Coordinator, Millennium Village Project

"Preventing Blindness; Saving Lives," Al Sommer, MD, MHS, Professor and Dean Emeritus, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health

"New Perspectives on Global Health and Science," Harold Varmus, MD, President and Chief Executive, Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center; Former Director of the NIH; Nobel Prize Recipient

Confirmed Leaders of Social Innovation and Social Entrepreneurship Speakers

"Social Entrepreneurship as a Tool to Strengthen Health Systems," Leah Barrett, MPA, Program Officer, VillageReach

"Unite For Sight: Social Entrepreneurship As A Symbol of Hope for the (Poor) Blind Villagers and Refugees in Ghana," James Clarke, MD, Ophthalmologist and Medical Director, Crystal Eye Clinic, Ghana

"Strategic Social Entrepreneurship as a Tool for Advancing Global Health," Greg Dees, PhD, Professor of the Practice of Social Entrepreneurship and co-founder of the Center for the Advancement of Social Entrepreneurship, Duke University's Fuqua School of Business

"The Power of Public/Private "Hybrids," Gene Falk, Co-Founder, Executive Directors, mothers2mothers

"The HealthStore Foundation: Improving Access to Life-Saving Medicines through Micro-Franchising," Scott Hillstrom, Chairman of the Board, CEO and Co-Founder, HealthStore Foundation