

Demography and Geopolitics in the 21st Century

A CSIS Policy Forum

Monday, March 31, 2008
8:30 AM to 12:30 PM

Center for Strategic and International Studies
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B1 Conference Level (Room B)

The Graying of the Great Powers: Demography and Geopolitics in the 21st Century, a report of the CSIS Global Aging Initiative, will be released at a CSIS Policy Forum on March 31, 2008. The report explores how population aging and population decline will constrain the ability of the United States and other developed countries to maintain national and global security over the next few decades. It also examines the security implications of emerging demographic trends in different regions of the developing world. While some political scientists and security experts argue that the forces of demography are pushing the world toward greater peace and stability, the CSIS report concludes that they pose growing security threats—and that the period of greatest danger lies just over the horizon in the 2020s.

The CSIS Policy Forum will begin with a presentation by the authors on the report's key findings. A panel of distinguished experts will then comment on the report and offer their views on the geopolitical dimensions of the "global aging challenge."

AGENDA

8:30-9:00 *REGISTRATION AND CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST*

9:00-9:15 *WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION*

9:15-10:45 *PRESENTATION* by **Richard Jackson**, Senior Fellow, and **Neil Howe**, Senior Associate, Global Aging Initiative, Center for Strategic and International Studies

10:45-11:00 *CONTACT BREAK*

11:00-12:30 *DISCUSSANTS*

Nicholas Eberstadt, Henry Wendt Scholar in Political Economy, American Enterprise Institute

Phillip Longman, Schwartz Senior Fellow, New America Foundation

Michael Mandelbaum, Professor of American Foreign Policy, SAIS, Johns Hopkins University

Robert L. Hutchings, Lecturer and Diplomat in Residence, Woodrow Wilson School, and former Chairman, U.S. National Intelligence Council