OUR STORY

The Kozmetsky Center of Excellence was established with a $3 million gift from Ronya Kozmetsky and her late husband, George. The couple, noted for their philanthropic leadership in Central Texas, established the RGK Foundation in 1966 and since then have awarded grants totaling more than $60 million to support humanitarian concerns in the areas of education, community, medicine and health. George and Ronya Kozmetsky offered visionary leadership and exceptional talent in cultivating productive partnerships across academic disciplines, institutions, national governments, and the private sector — creating opportunities and solving problems aimed towards the betterment of the local Austin community and the world. Throughout their lives, George and Ronya Kozmetsky were tirelessly devoted to the service of others and society. It is an honor and inspiration for those affiliated with the Kozmetsky Center to carry on the family’s legacy in the 21st century by promoting constructive collaboration and knowledge sharing in our communities and across cultures.

“My parents funded this center because they believe in St. Edward’s and the role this university can play in improving the lives of so many.”

—Gregory Kozmetsky ’70, Former St. Edward’s University Trustee

OUR MISSION

The Kozmetsky Center of Excellence aims to enrich the intellectual life of St. Edward’s University, and to serve as a resource for informing the broader public on critical global issues. We seek to deepen understanding of the complex challenges of an increasingly integrated world. The Kozmetsky Center facilitates interdisciplinary international exchanges among experts, students, faculty, the policy community, the private sector, and broader public in a variety of forums. Our events have featured the contributions of senior level international policymakers and diplomats (Presidential, Ambassadorial, Senior Military/Defense level), university scholars, subject area experts from the business and non-profit communities addressing contemporary global issues and suggesting strategies for finding common approaches to managing security and economic challenges. We also periodically host short-term resident visiting scholars and practitioners from the United States and around the world to share their expertise and diverse perspectives with the St. Edward’s University community.

Our programs and activities are directed toward advancing sustained productive international partnerships throughout the world and among the dynamic local Austin community. The Kozmetsky Center contributes to advancing the mission of St. Edward’s University to educate students and prepare graduates with the tools needed to contribute to a more just world. The Kozmetsky Center supports the university’s Global Initiative providing students with international opportunities and experiences on multiple levels, and equipping students for working effectively in an interdependent and culturally diverse world community.

OBJECTIVES

The Kozmetsky Center contributes to academic programs and the learning experience of students at St. Edward’s University on several levels. The core objectives for our programs and activities in support of the St. Edward’s academic community include:

- Introducing a diversity of regional and global perspectives;
- Offering the contributions of leading academic experts and practitioners across disciplines and professional areas of expertise;
- Contributing to the development of sustained productive international exchanges and partnerships throughout the world;
- Providing resources to enhance the university course learning experience through guest lectures, seminar discussions and professional networking opportunities for St. Edward’s University students with our visiting program participants;
- Supporting the utilization of new communication technology to integrate global perspectives in learning and understanding issues;
- Supporting university student experiential learning objectives by offering the Kozmetsky Center Senior Internship Program and utilizing the Kozmetsky Center’s extensive local, national and global networks to provide professional internship and service learning opportunities for St. Edward’s University students;
- Advancing understanding of potential public-private sector collaboration in pursuing opportunities and addressing challenges;
- Exploring the application of theory/academic expertise to supporting real-world issue problem solving and cooperative efforts in policy, community service.
The global community confronts a myriad of challenges including regional conflicts, migration and displacement issues, terrorism and violent extremism, rising global powers, as well as resurgent domestic populism and questions concerning the continued viability of international organizations. Meanwhile, there are also increasing opportunities for states, organizations and civic society groups to find space for cooperation in political, economic and security sectors. It is at this nexus that the Kozmetsky Center works to connect St. Edward’s University students, faculty and community with international policymakers and experts to identify common ground in promoting a more just and peaceful world community.

During the 2017-2018 academic year, the Kozmetsky Center continued to engage the St. Edward's University community in exploring critical issue areas with leaders of the academic, policy and private sectors of the United States and throughout the world. The academic year started with a lecture visit of Dr. Maura Conway of Dublin City University (Dublin Ireland) entitled “Understanding Exploitation of the Internet and Social Media in Promoting Violent Extremism and Terrorism.” Dr. Conway’s visit also included a roundtable session held with representatives of Austin’s academic, policy and private sector working on digital/technology security and global strategy hosted by the Irish Consulate in Austin and Global Austin. In October 2018, Ambassador Pjer Šimunović serving as Ambassador of the Republic of Croatia to the United States visited the Kozmetsky Center with our colleagues of the World Affairs Council Austin. Our discussion included developing U.S.-Croatian educational exchange opportunities, U.S. (and Texas) investment in Croatia and South East Europe, regional power competition in South East Europe and security challenges for Croatia and wider Europe. Dr. Lourdes Casanova, Director of the Emerging Markets Institute (EMI) at Cornell University delivered a lecture on China’s growing global economic influence and the importance of other emerging markets worldwide for the global economy. In November 2018, the Kozmetsky Center hosted a panel on “safeguarding nuclear security” bringing together experts of the military and academic communities including U.S. Air Force Brigadier General Christopher Coffelt, Deputy Director for Nuclear Operations at U.S. Strategic Command, Mr. Miles Pomper, Senior Fellow at the Middlebury Institute for International Studies at Monterey, Dr. Craig Mariano, Professor at Texas A & M University, and Dr. Alan J. Kuperman, Professor at the LBJ School at the University Texas, Austin. The session combined rigorous academic research perspectives with the real-world insights offered by General Coffelt on the challenges and security measures necessary to protect the United States and world community from nuclear threats. In 2019, the Kozmetsky Center hosted a book talk on Professor Charles Porter’s recent publication “Public Water Policies.” The Kozmetsky Center was pleased to host Dr. Monde Muyangwa, Director of the Africa Program at the Wilson Center for a broad ranging lecture on the diverse continent of Africa with recommendations for future U.S. policy toward this important region. In March 2019, we hosted Sarang Shidore for a discussion of the geopolitics of energy focusing on resources and markets. The Kozmetsky Center was also pleased to host the annual collaborative transatlantic security forum in collaboration with the Center for European Studies and Center for Russian, East European and Eurasian Studies in cooperation with the Research Committee on Geopolitics of the International Political Science Association in April 2019. This major international conference gathering brought together experts from nations throughout the world to share research on borders, border security and implications for geopolitics. Finally, we were pleased to host visiting scholars Dr. Artym Lukin of Far Eastern Federal University in Vladivostok and Dr. Teo Moga of Alexandru Ioan Cuza University in Romania to offer campus and community lectures and interviews discussing common areas of research interests.

We continued our global videoconference initiative to enable St. Edward’s University students to meet with students of the Moscow State Institute of International Relations (MGIMO) and Friedrich Schiller University in Germany to exchange perspectives on contemporary international issues. Each of these activities provided opportunities for our colleagues contributing to Kozmetsky Center programs, the St. Edward’s University campus and Austin community to develop sustained international partnerships.

The activities of the Kozmetsky Center supports St. Edward’s University Global Initiative and assists our students in gaining enduring appreciation for the vast challenges and opportunities we face in advancing human security, well-being and social justice at the local, national and international levels. Our programs are tailored to assist St. Edward’s University students in identifying areas of interest to prepare for future educational and professional careers and service to our society. We are hopeful that our engagement and initiatives might contribute to bringing our world closer together in an era of unprecedented global interdependence in which multinational communication, collaboration and understanding could not be more vital.

We appreciate the continued enthusiastic support and involvement of St. Edward’s University students, faculty and administration, as well as the Austin community. We are especially thankful for our robust and trusted network of partners, colleagues and friends representing leading universities, government and non-government organizations located in Texas, the United States and the broader world community for partnering with the Kozmetsky Center to continue to promote our mission, objectives and programs.

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**OUR DIRECTOR**

In 2013, Sharyl Cross, PhD, was appointed Director of the Kozmetsky Center at St. Edward’s University and Global Policy Scholar at the Kennan Institute/Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars in Washington, D.C. Previously, she has held appointments as Professor in the College of International & Security Studies at the George C. Marshall European Center for Security Studies in Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Germany, and Distinguished Professor of Political Science at the United States Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Dr. Cross earned a PhD in Political Science from the University of California, Los Angeles in 1990 with concentrations in international relations, comparative politics, and American foreign and security policy. While in the UCLA graduate program, she was a resident fellowship scholar and consultant at the RAND Corporation where she completed the UCLA and RAND programs in Russian area and policy studies. She has published extensively on issues of Russian foreign policy, U.S.-Russian security relations, and South Eastern European security. Her most recent book entitled *China, Russia and Geopolitics* was published by Oxford University Press in 2018. Originally from Arizona, Dr. Cross graduated Phi Beta Kappa with Honors in Political Science from the University of Arizona in 1983.
On Thursday September 27, the Kozmetsky Center featured its first event for the 2018-2019 academic year entitled “Understanding Exploitation of the Internet and Social Media in Promoting Violent Extremism and Terrorism” presented by Dr. Maura Conway, Professor at Dublin City University in Ireland and Director of the European Union Framework Programme Network of Excellence in Violent Online Political Extremism, entitled VOX-Pol, launched in January 2014. The VOX-Pol project supports a consortium of universities funded by the European Union to promote research and collaboration toward better understanding the vulnerabilities of the cyber sphere to exploitation by terrorist and violent extremist networks. Professor Conway currently collaborates with a network of colleagues in Computer Science tracing extremist networks on Twitter and developing methods for analyzing violent online political extremist material.

Dr. Conway has participated widely as a leading international expert speaker on the topic of terrorist exploitation of the internet including at the United Nations, the Commission of the European Union in Brussels, the Royal United Services Institute (RUSI) in London, the Irish Military College at the Curragh, the Danish Institute of International Affairs in Copenhagen, and elsewhere. Dr. Conway serves as an editorial board member for the journals Media, War, & Conflict and Irish Studies in International Affairs. In addition to her position as Vice-Chair of the International Affairs Committee of the Royal Irish Academy, she is a past-Chair (2011 – 2012) of the International Studies Association’s (ISA) International Communication Section. Prior to assuming her current faculty position at Dublin City University, Dr. Conway was a Teaching Fellow in the School of International Relations at the University of St. Andrews, Scotland, and she has also been Visiting Professor in the Centre for Contemporary Middle East Studies at the University of Southern Denmark.

Dr. Conway’s lecture supported the Global Understanding Workshop devoted to the theme “Unraveling Global Terrorism”. Dr. Conway’s visit included a roundtable session held with representatives of Austin’s academic, policy and private sector communities working in digital/technology security and global strategy sponsored by the Irish Consulate in Austin and Global Austin.
On October 9, 2018, the Kozmetsky Center hosted the visit of Pjer Šimunović, Ambassador of the Republic of Croatia to the United States in cooperation with the World Affairs Council of Austin. The discussion included developing U.S.-Croatia educational exchange opportunities, U.S. (and Texas) investment in Croatia and South Eastern Europe, regional power competition in South East Europe and security challenges for Croatia, wider Europe and beyond.

The Ambassador’s professional biography:

Pjer Šimunović was appointed Croatia’s Ambassador to the United States in September 2017. Before assuming his Ambassadorship, together with a career in international affairs journalism and academic research he served in various high-level positions in the Croatian Government, in the fields of national security, defense and diplomacy. He was Director of the Office of the National Security Council, Ambassador to Israel, Defense State Secretary in charge of defense policy, National Coordinator for NATO and Assistant Foreign Minister, heading Division for International Organizations and Security, Political Counselor at the Embassy in Paris, and Deputy Director of Analytical Department in the Foreign Ministry. During his career in journalism, he worked with the BBC World Service in London, with the magazine Europ in Paris, and with the Croatian daily ‘Večernji list’ in Zagreb, covering the collapse of Communism, crisis and war in the former Yugoslavia, and European and Transatlantic affairs.


Ambassador Šimunović holds an M.A. degree from the Department of War Studies, King’s College London, and a B.A, degree in the Comparative Literature and Italian Language and Literature from the University of Zagreb. He is born in Split, Croatia, in 1962. Ambassador Šimunović is decorated with the title of Chevalier de la Légion d’honneur de la République française.
October 23, 2018
Global Emerging Markets: Challenges and Opportunities

Dr. Lourdes Casanova, Director, Emerging Markets Institute (EMI) at Cornell University delivered a lecture on October 23, 2018 offering insights from her most recent trip to China, and her published research in the 2017 and 2018 emerging markets reports.

Dr. Casanova began by outlining EMI’s three engagement activities:

1. Teaching through the EMI Fellows Program where Cornell MBA students concentrate on emerging markets to earn an emerging markets certificate upon completing their degrees;
2. Outreach through events, speaking engagements, a video series entitled “T-Time” and the annual EMI conference held every November; and,
3. Finally, EMI produces substantial research on emerging markets and emerging market multinational corporations every year available online.

The lecture covered several substantive topics in the context of emerging markets. Dr. Casanova emphasized the importance of maintaining continuity and consistency as a prerequisite for achieving strong economic performance and sustaining investment for any economy. In a time of economic uncertainty in the Eurozone and political gridlock in Washington, emerging markets see China as a consistent source of economic investment and trade opportunities — especially among Latin American countries and the African continent. China’s appeal is in part due to the Belt and Road initiative aiming to link markets from Asia to Europe.

Dr. Casanova and her team at the EMI focus their analysis on an index of countries, which they call the E20 — the 20 largest emerging markets in the world. She suggested that emerging markets should not only seek investment, but also pursue strategies encouraging investment abroad as the optimal means for generating economic growth. At the same time, the types of foreign investment projects among E20 countries has evolved since 2009. In years past for example, Chinese companies would exclusively seek natural resources abroad, while today, their focus is increasingly on construction and infrastructure spending, green energy development, and selling their goods internationally.

Dr. Casanova described E20 multinational companies as “very young, very big, and very global.” Many have yet to face economic challenges or a global downturn as their emergence came after the 2007/2008 global economic recession. E20 multinational companies also differentiate themselves from their western counterparts by their focus on revenue and growth rather than on profits.

Dr. Casanova concluded her presentation suggesting that students should invest more time studying emerging markets. Academic programs in business in the United States and the world focus on the U.S. case; while the United States will remain prevalent in the world economy, emerging markets will become increasingly significant; therefore, students should seek out study abroad opportunities and foreign language immersion.

▲ Figure 1 Dr. Casanova offering her remarks on Emerging Markets to students of St. Edward’s University

▲ Figure 2 Dr. Casanova discussing the rapid growth of China’s economy, as an emerging market, compared to other nations globally
The Kozmetsky Center of Excellence hosted a panel discussion on Monday, November 12 in the Jones Global Event Center featuring speakers offering a diversity of professional experience and perspectives on the topic "Safeguarding Nuclear Security."

The panelists included U.S. Air Force Brigadier General Christopher Coffelt, Deputy Director for Nuclear Operations at U.S. Strategic Command; Mr. Miles Pomper, Senior Fellow at the Middlebury Institute of International Studies at Monterey; Dr. Craig Marianno, Professor at Texas A&M University, and Dr. Alan J. Kuperman, Professor at the LBJ School at the University of Texas at Austin.

Brig. Gen. Coffelt outlined U.S. Strategic Command’s mission of deterrence and security provided to U.S. citizens and citizens of allied nations (e.g., NATO member-states) and offered his perspective on the contemporary global security threats to the United States and its allies. He emphasized that addressing U.S. national security challenges cannot simply be a nuclear weapons policy but required a whole-of-government approach (i.e., conventional weapons, sanctions, diplomacy, etc.). Brig. Gen. Coffelt explained that if there were circumstances which would require a nuclear response, that the use of nuclear weapons by the United States would involve a consultative, careful, deliberate decision-making process with several checks. Moreover, Coffelt said that the suggestion or fear that a nuclear response could occur as an impulsive “trigger action” is simply not valid.

Miles Pomper’s presentation focused on specific areas of concern in nuclear security including radioactive materials attached to drones, cyber-attacks on nuclear infrastructure and the misuse of radioactive medical waste. In terms of cyber security and the Internet, Pomper discussed the challenges associated with preventing individuals from using 3D printing/manufacturing to develop WMDs or “dirty bombs.” He cited the Pentagon Science Board’s own assessment contending that more must be done to counter cyber-attacks on vital infrastructure.

Dr. Craig Marianno concentrated on the prevention and detection of nuclear materials in the post-9/11 security environment. Dr. Marianno described how he and his team at Texas A&M University develop tools and techniques to prevent the use of nuclear materials “outside of regulatory control.” Marianno’s current research focuses on addressing search and rescue challenges in a post-denotation environment.

The event concluded with a presentation by Dr. Alan J. Kuperman on nuclear proliferation prevention. Dr. Kuperman agreed with Brig. Gen. Coffelt on the threats posed by nuclear weapons programs in adversary countries; however, the two panelists disagreed about whether U.S. investments (i.e., modernization efforts) in low-yield nuclear warheads were necessary. Dr. Kuperman also explained that the availability of plutonium in the commercial sector was a grave threat as discussed in his most recent publication.
February 6, 2019

The Kozmetsky Center of Excellence hosted author and St. Edward’s University lecturer Dr. Charles Porter on Wednesday, February 6 on campus to discuss water security and water policy at the local, state, and international level.

During his lecture, Professor Porter built on historic references to the Texas-Spain case discussing developments in water security and policy and the forms of social control mechanisms related to water management. The four forms of social control he discussed included:

• “Diplomatic” social control
• “Due Process” social control
• “Deceptive” social control
• “Destructive” social control
February 26, 2019

Security and Economic Priorities for Africa: Assessments and Recommendations for Developing United States-Africa Policy

Dr. Monde Muyangwa, Director of the Africa Program at the Wilson Center, delivered a broad ranging lecture on February 26, 2019, on the security and economic challenges and opportunities across Africa. Her comprehensive and substantive lecture offered a brief historical overview of the formation of African nation-states, and then concluded with her assessments of options for developing a comprehensive U.S. foreign policy for Africa.

Dr. Muyangwa began her presentation by identifying the context within which many African nation-states became independent — bearing the wounds of European colonialism. She then outlined the challenges confronting nation-states in building institutions, given that many countries in Africa only gained their independence in the 1960s. Within that context, political and economic development was, and continues to be, a challenge for the continent.

The independence of many African nations in the 1960s coincided with the Cold War raging between the United States and the Soviet Union (USSR). Dr. Muyangwa explained that although African states had little to no stake in the Cold War, the USSR and the United States were engaged on the continent through proxy wars and clientelism. The effects of Cold War geopolitics on nascent African states and institutions slowed their development, and later amplified intra-state conflict and humanitarian crises once the Cold War had concluded — phenomena that defined the continent from the 1960s to the 1990s.

In the 2000s, conflict and human insecurity in Africa evolved to include terrorism, forced displacement, and environmental challenges (e.g., extreme weather and drought). Despite the continent’s evolving challenges, economic development gained momentum. Several states have shown significant GDP growth and economic indicators suggest that some African markets are becoming more dynamic. U.S. engagement with Africa also expanded in the 2000s to address food and health insecurities. Dr. Muyangwa highlighted the impact of two U.S. initiatives that have been quite successful: the Africa Growth and Opportunity Act and the President’s Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief.

Today, Africa plays a greater role on the global stage. African states are among the largest contributors to United Nations peacekeeping missions. Many new global actors are also investing in and working with African countries to increase international trade in the commercial goods and natural resources sectors. At the same time, Dr. Muyangwa noted that Africans want to avoid a “Cold War II,” with different actors, playing out in their nations. For example, some Africans view the current U.S.-Africa strategy as a plan for countering China, which does not recognize that African nations have many options in their choice of global partners, including Turkey, Brazil, and India, among others.

Dr. Muyangwa concluded her presentation by addressing the challenges the United States-Africa relationship still faces, but offered an optimistic assessment on the progress made over the last 50 years. She recounted her visits to many African countries where she met with enthusiastic and entrepreneurial young Africans making change in their societies. Dr. Muyangwa challenged the St. Edward’s University audience to think more about what they can do with Africa, not for Africa, and to look beyond Africa’s problems to recognize the continent’s transformation and tremendous potential.
March 12, 2019

Geopolitics of the Energy Transition

Mr. Sarang Shidore, Visiting Scholar at the Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs, the University of Texas at Austin, delivered a lecture presentation on Tuesday, March 12, 2019, on the geopolitics of energy and the economic and political dynamics associated with the transition to “green”/renewable energy sources. Mr. Shidore’s presentation highlighted three important geopolitical dynamics that have persisted for the last 10 years: the rise of Asian demand for energy; the United States becoming a net exporter of energy (i.e., natural gas production); and the integration of wind and solar energy into electric grids across the globe.

In his presentation, Mr. Shidore recommended that policymakers address three crucial pathways of energy consumption to reduce carbon emissions and mitigate climate change: the electrification of transport, the decarbonization of electrical grids and ensuring the sustainability of heat generation. Progress has been made on the decarbonization of electrical grids through the increased use of renewable energy sources — primarily wind and solar. There is also progress being made in transportation with electric vehicles (EVs) becoming more competitive with their gas-based competitors. Currently, the major hurdle to addressing the use of fossil fuels for energy is heating. Coal and gas, whose emissions contribute substantially to greenhouse gases, are still the primary sources for heating in commercial and residential heating needs.

Mr. Shidore also discussed the potential geopolitical shifts attributed to changes across global energy markets. The United States, for example, has been less reliant on Middle Eastern oil due to domestic production. As a result, alliances are shifting and established, U.S. allies in the Persian Gulf (e.g., Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates) are exploring new economic alliances with Russia. Shifting geopolitical alliances challenge the 20th century global political order and may complicate other alliance priorities such as defense and security cooperation into the future.
April 9, 2019
Challenges in Transatlantic Security: Borders and Geopolitics in Europe and Eurasia

A common thread throughout the day one discussion was the trend away from a “borderless” Europe towards clear national boundaries, border hardening and securitization. Specifically, the panelists offered the following major conclusions:

While popular support for a borderless European community (i.e., the Schengen Area) persisted for decades, many Europeans still desire borders both symbolically and as a matter of policy. Dr. Igor Okunev, Professor at MGIMO University, stated that there is a perpetual tendency to establish and maintain borders which is rooted in human psychology and identity.

Dr. Lorinc Redei, Professor at the University of Texas at Austin, cited Hungary and the United Kingdom as exemplary European Union (EU) member states that have made policy decisions to securitize their national borders, and the trend toward borderless Europe has stalled if not stopped.

Panelists also discussed how emergent security challenges prompted European states to rethink and reevaluate the EU’s “external” border policies along the Mediterranean Sea and the Eastern Neighborhood. Specifically, retired Italian Navy Admiral Alberto Cervone and Dr. Teodor Moga, Professor at “Alexandru Ioan Cuza” University of Iasi, addressed the border challenges Italy and Romania were confronting.

Among a myriad of geopolitical and border challenges in Europe and Eurasia, the mass migration of refugees fleeing conflict and instability in Africa and the Middle East has directed Europe’s attention to border security. Dr. Heidi Lane, Professor at the U.S. Naval War College, explained...
all borders (i.e., territorial political and economic) are in flux in the Middle East, and the region’s permeable borders allow migrants passage into Europe and Eurasia.

Finally, Dr. Alan Henrikson, Professor Emeritus at Tufts University, argued that addressing and negotiating border disputes between European nations should focus on bi-lateral diplomacy through sustained local contact and coordination.

The sessions on borders and geopolitics continued on Tuesday, April 9, with the meeting of the Research Committee on Geopolitics of the International Political Science Association with panel sessions on the Middle East, North America and Europe/Eurasia featuring presentations by international scholars and Austin faculty from St. Edward’s University and the University of Texas, Austin.
The Kozmetsky Center at St. Edward's University was pleased to host Dr. Artyom Lukin of Far Eastern Federal University, Vladivostok, Russia, as a Distinguished Visiting International Scholar from April 8-11, 2019 at St. Edward’s University in Austin, Texas. Dr. Lukin’s agenda included visits to Kozmetsky Center partner institutions including Global Austin and the University of Texas’ Center for Russian East European, and Eurasian Studies. Dr. Lukin also served as an expert panelist for the fifth annual collaborative series in transatlantic security entitled, *Challenges in Transatlantic Security: Borders and Geopolitics in Europe and Eurasia*. On Tuesday, April 9, he presented a paper for the International Political Science Association’s Third International Workshop Research Committee on Geopolitics on the theme of *Borders and Geopolitics in the 21st Century*.

Dr. Artyom Lukin is the Deputy Director for Research at the School of Regional and International Studies and Associate Professor at Far Eastern Federal University in Vladivostok, Russia. Dr. Lukin earned his PhD in Political Science from Far Eastern State University in 2002. In addition to his academic career, he worked as a Public Relations Officer for the city of Vladivostok from 1998 to 2002 and at Dalenergo, the largest energy utility company in Russia’s Far East, from 2002-2007. He has authored numerous chapters, papers and op-eds, in Russian and English, on Asia-Pacific international politics and Russia’s engagement with Asia including, *Russia’s Far East: New Dynamics in Asia Pacific and Beyond*, Lynne Rienner, (2015). Artyom Lukin’s research interests include international relations and security in the Asia-Pacific and Northeast Asia, Russian foreign policy, Russia’s engagement with the Asia-Pacific, and social, political and economic processes in the Russian Far East. Lukin has authored and co-authored multiple scholarly publications in Russian and English. He has been involved in numerous research and publication projects both in Russia and abroad. Artyom Lukin is an expert with the Russian International Affairs Council and he serves as a regular commentator for Russian and international news media.
Caption: Dr. Artyom Lukin meets with the Austin community and delivers a lecture entitled “Major Powers in North Korea and Asian Security” sponsored by Global Austin in cooperation with the Kozmetsky Center.

Caption: Dr. Lukin records an interview in Russian and English with the Center for Russian, East European and Eurasian Studies’ (CREEES) weekly podcast, The Slavic Connexion.

Caption: Dr. Lukin delivers a guest lecture to St. Edward’s University Global Studies students on Russia’s foreign policy in the Russian Far East.

Caption: Dr. Artyom Lukin and Kozmetsky Center Executive Assistant Joseph Sadek stop for lunch at a local Austin taco truck.
April 2019
Visiting International Scholar at St. Edward’s University

Dr. Teodor [Teo] Moga, Lecturer at the Centre for European Studies, Faculty of Law, “Alexandru Ioan Cuza” University of Iasi (Romania) and Post-Doctoral Fellow at the School of Humanities and Social Sciences, Center for Governance and Culture at the University of St. Gallen

Dr. Moga earned his Ph.D. in Economics and International Relations at the University of Iasi and a MA in Political Science at the University of Manchester (United Kingdom) where he was a Chevening Scholar. In 2014-2015, Dr. Moga received the Swiss Government Excellence Scholarship to pursue a post-doctoral program at the University St. Gallen in Switzerland. Professor Moga previously worked for the European Commission, British Embassy (Bucharest, Romania) and held appointments at the European Union Institute for Security Studies (Paris, France), the George C. Marshall European Center for Security Studies (Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Germany) and the Romanian Academy of Science. His research interests include EU foreign affairs, NATO, EU-Russia relations, European Neighborhood Policy, and Eastern Partnership- Ukraine. His most recent publications include “The Role of Bounded Rationality in Explaining the European Neighbourhood Policy: The Eastern Dimension” (Theorizing the ENP, Gstöhl, S., Schunz, S. (Eds.), Routledge, 2017) and “The Ukrainian-Russian Linguistic Dyad and its Impact on National Identity in Ukraine” (Europe-Asia Studies, forthcoming January 2019, 71 (1), https://doi.org/10.1080/09668136.2018.1549653). He is also the principle organizer of the “EURINT conference series,” which is among the leading events in Central and Eastern Europe dedicated to the analysis of European Union foreign policy strategy in the Eastern neighborhood.
Caption: Dr. Teodor Moga presents his paper, “Still a Troubling Border? Romania’s Contribution to Strengthening the Security of the Euro-Atlantic Community’s Eastern Flank,” at the International Political Science Association Third International Workshop Research Committee on Geopolitics hosted at St. Edward’s University.

Caption: Dr. Moga speaks to St. Edward’s University Political Science and Global Studies students on Romania’s foreign policy challenges and the vital role Romania plays on NATO’s eastern-flank to protect internationally recognized borders and the sovereignty of Black Sea littoral states.
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