

London University Diplomatic Summit

DAY 4: "DIPLOMACY IN THE MEDIA"

----- Oxbridge -----

10th March 2025

PARTICIPANT PACK



DAY OVERVIEW

Timings	Sessions
13:00	Student Attendees Arrive & Brief Networking Session
13:30 - 13:45	Introduction to Oxbridge Day by Oxbridge Summit Directors
13:45-14:45	<u>Fireside Chat with Dr John Nilsson-Wright: US Relations with South Korea & Japan and Populist Politics under Trump</u>
15:00-15:55	Networking Session with Guest Speakers
16:00-17:00	<u>The Role of Media in Shaping International Relations (Speaker Event)</u>
17:00-18:00	<u>Media Strategy for Future Diplomats: Op-Eds, Policy Briefs, & Diplomatic Speeches (Workshop)</u>
18:00-19:00	Dinner (King's Dining Hall) * <i>Please note: The summit dinner is not included in the ticket price and the venue is subject to change depending on availability. Attendees who wish to join will be able to purchase dinner on the day.</i>
19:00-20:00	OPTIONAL: <u>Deterrence & Reassurance in US-China Diplomatic Relations (Online Talk)</u>

EVENTS OVERVIEW

Fireside Chat with Dr John Nilsson-Wright: US Relations with South Korea and Japan and Populist Politics under Trump

This Fireside Chat with Dr John Nilsson-Wright, a leading expert on East Asian international relations, will examine the complexities of U.S. alliance relations with South Korea and Japan in the context of rising populism and shifting global power dynamics. From the Trump administration's unconventional diplomacy to the influence of domestic populism on foreign policy, this discussion will explore how leaders navigate media-driven challenges in alliance management, crisis communication, and strategic messaging. We will assess the implications of nationalist and populist trends within the U.S., South Korea, and Japan and their effects on alliance cohesion, defence commitments, and policy coordination on key regional challenges, including North Korea, China's growing influence, and supply chain security.

Dr John Nilsson-Wright is the Fuji Bank University Associate Professor in Modern Japanese Politics and International Relations at the University of Cambridge and a Fellow of Darwin College. He also leads the Japan and Korea Programme at the Centre for Geopolitics, POLIS, University of Cambridge. A specialist in East Asian international relations, he has held research and teaching positions at Chatham House, Kyoto and Tokyo universities and institutions across South Korea. He has advised the UK government, contributed to the World Economic Forum's Global Agenda Council on Korea, and received the Nakasone Yasuhiro Prize. A frequent media commentator, he is a founding member of the European Japan Advanced Research Network and serves on the editorial board of Global Asia.

The Role of Media in Shaping International Relations (Speaker Event)

Details TBD.

Media Strategy for Future Diplomats: Op-Eds, Policy Briefs, & Diplomatic Speeches (Workshop)

This hands-on workshop, led by Bossoro Ngo, a strategic communications expert, will equip future diplomats with the skills to use digital platforms as an effective way to perform diplomacy and influence wider audiences. Drawing from his experience advising senior officials across government and the private sector, Ngo will provide

practical insights on message framing, audience engagement, and strategic storytelling.

Bossoro Ngo is a strategic communications leader with thirteen years of experience in public diplomacy, corporate services and digital transformation across both public and private sectors. Ngo served in senior management teams and advised CEOs, Ministers and senior stakeholders on communications strategies, social media, PR, executive communication and thought leadership. As a French, British and Cambodian citizen, Ngo served at the French Embassy in China, the French Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs and for global reinsurer SCOR SE.

Deterrence & Reassurance in US-China Diplomatic Relations **(Online Talk)**

The growing might of China's military and its increasingly aggressive posture toward Taiwan have made deterrence in the Taiwan Strait a tougher challenge than ever before.

Bonnie S. Glaser is managing director of GMF's Indo-Pacific program. She is also a nonresident fellow with the Lowy Institute in Sydney, Australia, and a senior associate with the Pacific Forum. From 2008 to mid-2015, she was a senior adviser with the CSIS Freeman Chair in China Studies, and from 2003 to 2008, she was a senior associate in the CSIS International Security Program.

NOTE: This is an online, optional event that will be screened at the Provost Lodge Dining Room.

ATTENDING THE OXBRIDGE DAY OF THE LONDON UNIVERSITY DIPLOMATIC SUMMIT

Venue: Provost Lodge Drawing Room

Location: King's College Cambridge, King's Parade, CB2 1ST. Please arrive at the Front Gate on King's Parade.

Time: Please kindly arrive at 13:00 pm, allowing time for registration and finding the Provost Lodge.

Dress Code: Business-casual

Getting to us:

By Train:

- King's Cross to Cambridge
- London Liverpool Street to Cambridge

Cambridge Train Station is a 35-minute walk to King's College or a 20-minute bus ride. The following buses arrive every fifteen minutes:

- PR4 Park and Ride to Drummer Street and a 10-minute walk to King's (24 minutes)
- 1 to St Andrew's Street, and a 10-minute walk. (22 minutes)
- U1 or U2 to Pembroke Street, and a 10-minute walk. (25 minutes)
- 7 to Emmanuel Street, and a 10-minute walk. (23 minutes)
- 3 to Christ's College and a 10-minute walk. (30 minutes)

Parking:

There is no close parking to King's College. There is public parking in the Grand Arcade Car Park. This is a 5-10 minute walk to King's College.

Contact us: ldnunidiplomaticsummit@gmail.com

Connect with us: [LinkedIn](#) or [Instagram](#)

Visit our website: <https://www.londonuniversitydiplomaticsummit.com/>

