Symposium: 'War Amongst the People: A Critical Assessment'
The Royal Military Academy Sandhurst
30 June 2017

Further details and joining instructions

Venue

The symposium will take place from 0900-1545 (approx) in the **Chandler Lecture Theatre** (Rm 102). This is situated on the first floor of **Faraday Hall** (the academic faculty building) at RMAS. Participants are asked to use the **Staff College Gate** entrance to the Academy. This is situated across the A30 from Camberley town centre.

If travelling by train, the nearest station to Staff College Gate is **Camberley**. **Blackwater** is also within walking distance (for those interested in a little more exercise). If travelling by car, we are advised that the postcode that works best for satnav is **GU15 4NP**.

Once within the grounds of RMAS, there are direction signs to Faraday Hall. It is a brisk 12-15 min walk from the Staff College Gate. There are a number of local taxi firms authorised to access the grounds. Details are available on request.

Security

As previously advised, those not in possession of a current military or civilian MoD pass should bring a form of photo ID (e.g. passport). This will be checked by the guardroom staff before a temporary visitor's pass is issued. Please ensure that you have registered with us **at least 48 hours before the day**, by completing and returning the registration form previously dispatched (we still have a couple of recalcitrants on this score!). **We need to submit a 100% nominal roll to the guardroom staff**.

Dress

As is customary for academic conferences, we recommend smart casual dress for civilians, and the service equivalent.

Technology

Powerpoint will be available in the Chandler Lecture Theatre. However, there are a few restrictions and advice from our in-house 'techies' is given below:

Speakers should bring their presentations on a CD or DVD; USB sticks ARE NOT ALLOWED AND ARE NOT ACCEPTED. They should ensure that all parts of the presentations are on the disk. For example, if they have video clips or sounds, these must be included on the disks.

They can bring a laptop, preferably PC based, not Mac but should bring their own HDMI or equivalent cable. I believe room 102 has converted to MODNET which uses

Office 365 version of PowerPoint. To the best of my knowledge this is backward compatible with older versions.

Ideally, what we try to do is to get external speakers to send in their presentations prior to the event to make sure they work on our systems.

Following from this, we will be happy to 'road-test' presentations if people wish to send a copy in advance.

Presentations

In terms of **timings**, we are suggesting 15 mins per speaker for panels 1-3, and 20 mins per speaker and 10 for our discussant on panel 4. We will be asking chairs to be fairly strict on this in order to ensure that reasonable time is available for questions and contributions from the floor.

In order to encourage open discussion and exchange of views we will be operating throughout the day on the basis of the **Chatham House Rule**: i.e. participants are free to use information gained from our proceedings but without explicitly or implicitly identifying any of the speakers or other participants.

And finally…..we are keen that this event (and any future such symposia) provides a forum for genuine exchange between the academic and military communities. We both have – and use – our own 'language' in the normal course of our working lives, but there will be participants who are unfamiliar with this. Could you, therefore, stick to the Queen's English as far as possible in your presentations and other contributions?!

We look forward to meeting you at the end of the month. In the meantime, please direct any questions or other enquiries to the 'sandhurst trends' email address.

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