

CHRISTIAN REGENHARD CENTER FOR EMERGENCY RESPONSE STUDIES



SPRING 2012 EVENTS

FEBRUARY

“Hurricane Irene in New York City: Lessons Learned from the EOC and the Field”

Date: Tuesday, February 28, 2012

Time: 1:30—3:30 pm Room 630H

Dina Maniotis, Assistant Commissioner, New York City Office of Emergency Management
Andrew Boyarsky, CUNY School of Professional Studies

The lessons learned will be approached from two vantage points: one from the EOC Human Services side and the other on the ground at the evacuation center/shelter level. We cover an overview of the sheltering system, preparations, response and highlights from the After Action Report (AAR).

MARCH

“Designing Security into an International Transit Hub: Saskatchewan's Global Transport Hub ”

Date: Wednesday, March 14, 2012

Time: 1:30-3:30 pm Room 630H

Speaker: Robin Litzenberger, Saskatchewan Global Transport Hub Authority (GTHA), Darryl Plecas, University of Fraser Valley and Christian Regenhard Center affiliated faculty

Mr. Litzenberger and Dr. Plecas will discuss the arrangements for security made in a rapidly-developing transport hub project. The Global Transport Hub is rapidly developing into a major facility in the supply chain linking ship, rail, and truck traffic in various goods from the Pacific rim and North America. The GTHA convened a unique advisory group on Public Safety and Design, staffed by advisors from various disciplines and perspectives from across Canada. Challenges of this greenfield development include physical security, provision of emergency services, coordination of corporate and facility security, and Customs, transport, and conventional law enforcement.

“First Responders and DHS S&T – What's Next?”

Date: Monday, March 26, 2012

Time: 1:30-3:30 pm Room 630H

Speaker: **Robert Griffin**, Director of Support to the Homeland Security Enterprise and First Responder Group, Science and Technology Directorate, US Department of Homeland Security

Dr. Griffin is Director of First Responder Programs for the US Department of Homeland Security's Science and Technology (S&T) Directorate. Prior to coming to DHS, he had a twenty-plus year career in local government emergency services. He was brought to DHS S&T to head the newly created division devoted to first responder concerns. Dr. Griffin will provide an overview current and planned efforts to advance First Responder Programs at the US Department of Homeland Security's Science and Technology Directorate.

APRIL

“Coordination of Counter-terrorism in New York: The Role of Local Government”

Date: Monday, April 16, 2012 Time: 1:30-3:30 pm Room 630H

Speaker: Kristin Ljungkvist, University of Upsalla, Sweden, Visiting Researcher,
Christian Regenhard Center for Emergency Response Studies (RaCERS)

Ms. Ljungkvist is completing her dissertation on governance of global phenomena at the local level. Her work includes extensive interviews on the dynamics and nature of intergovernmental relations in regard to counter-terrorism in New York. She is a visiting researcher at the Regenhard Center and Center on Terrorism at John Jay.

MAY

“Can Catastrophes Lead to Good Policy?”

Date: Tuesday, May 8, 2012 Time: 1:30-3:30 pm Room 630H

Speaker: Jeff Stern, Homeland Security Studies and Analysis Institute, Arlington, VA

Jeff Stern has a career spanning the fire service, emergency management, federal policy, and research. Mr. Stern reflects on his experiences in the field at major disasters while working in the Office of the Secretary of the US Department of Homeland Security in the Bush administration. His work is featured in the newly published *Handbook of Critical Incident Analysis*, Edited by Prof. Richard Schwesler (Public Management) and published by M.E. Sharpe.

“The FDNY’s Network Command Concept and Electronic Command Board: Implementing Technology for Incident Command in a High-Challenge Environment.”

Date: Wednesday, May 9, 2012 Time: 1:30-3:00pm, Room 630H

Speaker: Joseph Pfeifer, Chief, Counterterrorism and Emergency Preparedness, FDNY

Chief Pfeifer, a 30-year FDNY veteran, and first arriving Battalion Chief on 9/11, has played a leading role as an innovator as the FDNY has adopted technologies for incident command. In this talk, Chief Pfeifer will explain the process of developing the concept of operations for networked incident management and design and adoption of the electronic command board, which promises to transform incident management and accountability. He will also describe the function and capabilities of the command board. Chief Pfeifer is a graduate of the Harvard Kennedy School of Government and the Naval Postgraduate School.

About the Center

The Christian Regenhard Center for Emergency Response Studies is a new, unique applied research center bridging the gap between theory and practice in emergency response and homeland security realms. We are unique in our cross-discipline responder emphasis and focus on developing actionable strategies.

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About Christian Regenhard

Christian Michael Otto Regenhard was born on August 25, 1973. He was raised in Co-op City, Bronx, New York. After graduating from the Bronx High School of Science, he served five years in the United States Marine Corps, leaving as a decorated Recon Sergeant. After studying language, art and writing at San Francisco State University, he was hired by the Fire Department of New York (FDNY), graduating from probationary school in July 2001. He was assigned to Ladder 131 when he was killed in the collapse of the World Trade Center on September 11, 2001 at age 28.

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