



GEORGETOWN LEADERSHIP SEMINAR

THE GLS NEWSLETTER

From the Director

At this time of holiday celebrations, we send all our alumni our very best wishes for the season and especially for 2006. May the year ahead be peaceful, safe, and healthy for you and your loved ones. 2005 has been a very difficult year in so many places - starting with the tsunami, continuing with Darfur, our own Hurricane Katrina, and then the earthquake in Pakistan. And there are so many other disasters which we could mention - both man-made and natural. We tried to keep in touch with our alumni in places which were hit badly, but know that we didn't reach all of you.

Here at the School of Foreign Service, we bring you good news. Georgetown University has been voted one of the best places for graduate students interested in policy careers in international relations. In a faculty survey conducted by researchers at the College of William and Mary, Georgetown was voted #2, close behind SAIS and far outpacing Harvard, among top international relations master's degree programs for students pursuing careers in policy. We now have the highest number of graduate students ever at SFS - 729. Our students, both undergraduate and graduate, are benefiting from the addition of new faculty from the policy world - Calisto Madavo and Carl Dahlman from the World Bank and Andrew Natsios from USAID. Our faculty, including Dan Byman, Robert Lieber, Charles King and Bob Gallucci, continue to reap accolades for their publications.

As we write you, the GLS Class of 2006 is virtually filled with participants from over 30 countries to date. We look forward to an exciting Seminar, the draft program for which can be found on our website. Our keynote speaker this year will be George Tenet, former Director of Central Intelligence, an SFS graduate who joined our faculty last year.

Many of you have sent us news - but we still need to hear from more of you! And if you know of GLS alumni who are not in touch with us, make sure they or you send us their email addresses. We are thinking hard about our next reunion, perhaps in 2007, and welcome your suggestions. Helsinki will be a hard act to follow, but we know it can be done.

Gallucci Book Going Critical Honored

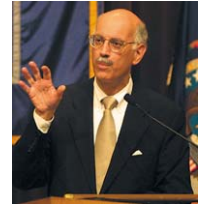
Robert L. Gallucci, dean of the Edmund A. Walsh School of Foreign Service, received the **Douglas Dillon Award** for *Going Critical: The First North Korean Nuclear Crisis* (Brookings Institution Press, 2004) that he co-authored with Joel S. Wit and Daniel B. Poneman. The American Academy of Diplomacy gives the award for distinguished writing on American diplomacy. While Assistant Secretary of State in the mid-nineties, Gallucci negotiated the "agreed framework" with North Korea. *Going Critical* concludes that lessons learned in those sustained negotiations between North Korea and the U.S. could benefit current negotiations to limit North Korea's nuclear capabilities.

2006 seminar program at

<http://gls.georgetown.edu>

USAID Head to Join SFS

Georgetown University announced that beginning in January 2006, the former administrator for the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), **Andrew S. Natsios** (C'71), will join the faculty of the **Edmund A. Walsh School of Foreign Service**. Natsios will hold the title of Distinguished Professor in the Practice of Diplomacy and Advisor on International Development.



Natsios at Georgetown

"The appointment of Andrew Natsios is tremendous for Georgetown University as it will enable us to build on our existing efforts in international development and deepen our contribution to improving the human condition," said **Georgetown University President John J. DeGioia**. "In his leadership role at USAID, Andrew has guided our nation's foreign assistance especially in countries torn by conflict, disaster and poverty. His practical experience will provide invaluable learning opportunities for Georgetown students."

Natsios, a graduate of Georgetown University and Harvard's JFK School of Government said, "I am excited to be returning to Georgetown where I can contribute to the rigorous study of international development, and share my personal experience with the next generation of aid officers and NGO leaders." He will teach graduate and undergraduate courses as well as advise the university community on programmatic activity in global development initiatives.

Natsios was a member of the Massachusetts House of Representatives from 1975-1987 and is a veteran of the Gulf War. He served as administrator of USAID, the government agency that administers economic and humanitarian assistance worldwide, since 2001.

Photograph from The Hoya

Brazil Loses Gifted Economist

We are saddened to note the passing of **Sérgio Zendron** GLS'91 a highly respected name in Brazil's economic life.

During his long career, Zendron was Director and partner of Econotech Consultoria Ltda, where he directed consultancies in macroeconomics and business operations in mergers, acquisitions and privatization. From 1998 to 2000, as head of investment banking at Banco Fleming Graphus S.A., he coordinated and restructured USIMINAS and COSIPA (both steelworks), among other companies.

Mr. Zendron was Director of BNDES (the Brazilian National Bank for Economic and Social Development) from 1990 to 1993 and from 1974 to 1993 served as manager and CEO of BNDESPAR in



Sergio Zendron (center), Knut Hetzer and Miguel Silva at GLS 1991

Rio De Janeiro. Mr. Zendron was a member of the board of Rio de Janeiro's stock exchange from 1987 to 1994 and was on the board of the Amparo Hospital. He was 55 years old.

NOTES FROM THE GLOBAL ALUMNI NETWORK

Jaswant Singh ('83) Seven term member of the Indian Parliament has been appointed visiting professor at the University of Warwick.

Nur Batur ('86) has returned from Greece to Turkey where she has been named Bureau Chief of *Hurriyet*.

Anura Bandaranike ('87) was named Foreign Minister and Minister of Tourism of Sri Lanka. He has been continuously elected to Parliament since 1977.

Prosper Youm ('87) has returned from Mauritania where he was the IMF Representative and is back in the Africa region of the IMF in Washington, DC.

Robert Lee ('94) has co-founded "Partnership for Patient Education" an initiative that he is currently working on in China.

Martin Redrado ('99) was named President of the Central Bank of Argentina in 2004 following several years as Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Trade.

Irina Kibina ('99) has joined the EVRAS Group, Russia's largest coal and steel producer, as Vice President for Corporate Affairs and Investor Relations

Sasko Nasev ('00) is in Ottawa as Ambassador of the Republic of Macedonia to Canada.

Kerstin Hessius ('01) was appointed CEO to the Board of the Third Swedish National Pension Fund (AP3).

Reem Abdullah ('02) has been named a "Young Global Leader" by the World Economic Forum. She is with Al-Tamimi & Co. in Dubai where she continues to specialize in shipping law.

Claude Fassinou ('03), has become Ambassador and Chief of State Protocol at the MFA, Benin

Basel Ghattas ('01) is doing an MBA (long distance) at the Kellogg School, Northwestern University.

Claudia Costin ('05) is Vice-President of the Victor Civita Foundation which is devoted to improving the quality of education in Brazil.

Anne Sorensen ('05) is moving to Chile to once again report as *Politiken's* Latin America correspondent.

Khalid Emara ('05) moved to the Egyptian Permanent Mission in Geneva where he is covering UN and WTO work.

GLS Alumni: Emerging Leaders in Nigeria

Yemi Cardoso GLS '00 e-mailed that he had embarked on a new phase in his life when he left the Lagos State Government for Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government as a Mason Fellow.

"My interest in attending this program....came as a result of my exposure to policy making with Government (Ministry of Economic Planning in Lagos State)...as well as my attendance at the Georgetown Leadership Seminar. I was particularly mindful of the need for Lagos to catch up with best practices given the stifling effect of several years of military governance." Cardoso, a former Vice President at Citibank, wrote that he "feels a responsibility to continue to strive to make my contributions to the common good. ...with a view to positively impacting my fellow man."

Classmate **K'yode Fayemi** GLS '00 has left the Center for Democracy and Development which he founded and headed since 1997 to run for governor of his home state of Ekiti in southwest Nigeria in 2007. K'yode noted that his relatively small, rural state of roughly two million people is in dire need of transformation. "Some have asked me if Nigerian politics is ready for serious people. Well, my response is that we won't know unless we try and, in any case, there is never a perfect moment to do this."

Why not go into national politics? K'yode says, "All politics is local and the greatest opportunity to make a difference is at the local level". K'yode's website is <http://www.rescueekiti.com>

Other Nigerian alumni are also in prominent positions. **Nasir El-Rufai** GLS '00 is Minister for the Federal Capital Territory of Abuja. He was previously in charge of Nigeria's privatization efforts under President Obasanjo, where his efforts were controversial.

Obi Ezekwesili GLS '02 has become Minister for Solid Minerals, an area where the Nigerian Government hopes to boost development and possibly lessen dependence on oil revenues. She previously served as senior special assistant, heading the Due Process Unit which is designed to check inflation of contract awards.

Alumni who are lawyers are also prominent. **Hauwa Ibrahim** GLS '04 has won the European Parliament's Sakharov Prize for her defense of women condemned under sharia law, although as a woman she does not have the right to appear before Islamic courts. **Maryam Uwais** GLS '05 serves on the National Human Rights Commission where she has played an important role in defending children's rights. And **Asue Ighodalo** GLS '03 is active in several NGOs including LEAP (a leadership cultivation organization) and FATE, an organization for aspiring entrepreneurs.



Class of 2000

First row: Dina El Naggat, Lei Xiangping, Binderya Saran, Yemi Katerere

Second row: Kirsi Sormunen, Jennifer Ward, Jose de la Puente

Third row: Thitinant Thanyastri, Jun Tian, Ok Serei Sopheak, Arben Imami

Fourth row: Jorge Garcia Gonzalez, Vasily Pavlov, Sandra McMahon, Nasir El Rufai, Sasko Nasev, Gaston Harvey, Liz McManus, Paul Knox

Fifth row: Gordon Chen, Khenthong Nuanthasing, Nikolai Kamov, Sameh El-Torgoman, Fisho Mwale, Emilia Sicaikova,

Sixth row: HRH Prince Felipe de Bourbon y Grecia, Wagner Guerra, Danila Ezhkov, Klaus von Olshausen, Emma Ssali Namuli, Deborah Burand

Seventh row: Tom Steffens, K'yode Fayemi, Olayemi Cardoso, Karen Douglass Not pictured: Esteban Piedrahita Uribe

\$20 Million Donation to SFS

HRH Prince Alwaleed Bin Talal, an internationally renowned Saudi businessman and global investor, donated \$20 million to Georgetown University to support and expand the **Center for Muslim-Christian Understanding (CMCU)**. The Center, part of the Edmund A. Walsh School of Foreign Service, is a world leader in scholarship and research in Islamic studies and Muslim-Christian relations. John Esposito, University Professor and founding director of CMCU is a preeminent expert in this field.