



Kelly's Leadership Praised

Outgoing Pacific Forum CSIS President James Kelly's "unrelenting dedication" and "unswerving leadership" were praised at the February 27 Pacific Forum Board of Governors Meeting and annual dinner in Honolulu. Board Chairman Brent Scowcroft noted that Jim Kelly's outstanding efforts had taken the Pacific Forum to "new heights of policy relevance" as he served with "great distinction and effectiveness."

Kelly is departing after six years at the Forum's helm, following his nomination by President George W. Bush to become the next Assistant Secretary of State for East Asia and Pacific Affairs. Kelly will serve as a Pacific Forum Counselor, pending his Senate confirmation. He is being replaced by Ralph Cossa, who has served as the Forum's Executive Director for the past seven years.

Joining Cossa on the management team is Jane Skanderup, who will assume primary responsibility for day to day management of the Forum as Director for Programs and Development. Brad Glosserman, currently a member of the editorial staff of The Japan Times, will also soon join the Pacific Forum CSIS as Director of Research. In addition to running security-related projects, he will join Eun Jung Cahill Che in co-editing the Forum's quarterly journal, Comparative Connections, an on-line journal that highlights significant events and provides timely analysis on developments involving key Asia-Pacific security relationships. Comparative Connections can be accessed through the Forum's web site [www.csis.org/pacfor], along with the Forum's many other substantive publications.

The Pacific Forum also bids a fond aloha to Senior Associate Torkel Patterson, who was recently appointed Special Assistant to the President and Senior Director for Asian Affairs at the National Security Council.

Incoming President Ralph Cossa pledged to maintain the Forum's outstanding record of policy-relevant analysis and cooperative dialogue established by the Forum's creator, RADM (ret) Lloyd (Joe) Vasey more than 26 years ago, and perpetuated by past presidents Amos Jordan and James Kelly.