



Rumsfeld Fellows' Program Encourages Regional, International Cooperation

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The spring 2017 class of Rumsfeld Fellows meet in AFPC Headquarters with CACI Chairman and AFPC Distinguished Fellow for Eurasia Fred Starr for a welcoming session. The group will meet with numerous policy-makers, business leaders, journalists, academics, military personnel and regional experts during their six-week U.S. visit.

The spring 2017 session of the Rumsfeld Fellowship program welcomed to the U.S. a diverse group of 13 Fellows in mid-April. Throughout their six-week program, the Fellows will attend a series of private, high-level meetings with top policy-makers, business leaders, journalists, academics, military personnel and regional experts exposing them to inside perspectives on decision and policy-making processes in the U.S. The group will also spend a week traveling to additional cities including Des Moines, IA; Hartford, CT; and Philadelphia, PA for meetings with local businesses and officials, providing them a view of the U.S. beyond the nation's capital.

In the Program's final week, the Fellows will participate in a group presentation at a CACI public forum, where they will engage with representatives from local embassies, businesses, universities, the media and others interested in current perspectives from the region.