opportunity for COE researchers to connect and network with DHS components, federal, and international partners.

Contents of this Month's Update

The RFP open period (June 2020 – June 2021).

CINA continues to welcome input, and feedback to shape our portfolio and create partnerships for our shared mission. COEs are doing and how we are doing it. Visit our virtual booths, catch a project demo, or plug into the combined COE-DHS network.

I invite you to think about this: that we cannot do this alone or in a vacuum. There are related and complementary skills and expertise at the different centers, and we have learned when to join forces, when to share, and when to get out of each other's way. This knowledge, experience, ability, and imagination, all focused on the problems faced by DHS, the threat landscape facing our nation and world is complex, varied, and dynamic. We are actively dealing with a global pandemic, mass shootings, foreign and domestic terrorism, acts of terror such as the explosion of the New York bridge, deliberate attacks such as the attack on Pearl Harbor, and actual threats to our safety and security can appear overwhelming. We shouldn't forget that we are also fighting wars around the world, including the war on drugs, which is a war on poverty, a war on corruption, and a war on human trafficking.

We can't do this alone, and we can't do it when we are operating in silos. By working together toward common goals, mixing tried and true approaches with those that are yet to be proven, and also invoking our imagination and creativity to anticipate the problems of tomorrow and blunt the impact of those we are already facing.

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The Virtual Hearing - Ending Exploitation: How the Financial System Can Work to Dismantle the Business of Human Slavery, as well as sex and organ trafficking, terrorism, and other forms of heinous crimes including slavery, as well as sex and organ trafficking.

To learn more about the CINA Scholars program, contact Deanna Austin at dausti@gmu.edu or learn more about the CINA Internship at TSA.

Student interns may be involved in public policy and communications, engineering, supporting the mission of security operations, and the Federal Air Marshal service.

Centers of Excellence Summit 2021

When: May 17–21, 2021

Where: 4400 University Drive, Fairfax, VA 22030

Register online at [Register here](https://gmu.edu/cina/events/coe-summit-2021)

CINA Welcomes 2020-21 Open RFP White Paper Announcement

CINA is pleased to announce that the 2020-21 Open RFP is now available. To access the RFP, please visit the [CINA website](https://gmu.edu/cina/). The RFP provides a comprehensive overview of the research priorities and opportunities for COE-DHS collaboration. Organizations and institutions are encouraged to submit proposals that address the needs of DHS and advance the mission of the COE program.

DHS Centers of Excellence Summit Panel: Detecting and Understanding a Network in Real Time

Maurice D. Kugler, Director, Science and Technology Directorate, DHS

Jiasun Li, Assistant Professor, Computer Science, George Mason University

Foteini Mourjopoulos, Assistant Professor, Department of Computer Science, George Mason University

Theme: Development for a Safe and Secure Homeland

Distinguished Speaker Series:

Dr. Louise Shelley

Dismantle the Business of Human Trafficking

How the Financial System Can Work to Dismantle the Business of Human Slavery

Virtual Hearing - Ending Exploitation: How the Financial System Can Work to Dismantle the Business of Human Slavery

February 2021 COE Summit

Distinguished Speaker Series

Diana Dolliver as she discusses cryptocurrencies and criminal investigations: from transaction to seizure.

To watch the recent CINA Distinguished Speaker Series with Diana Dolliver: [Watch the Event](https://gmu.edu/cina/events/distinguished-speaker-series).

Workforce Development

CINA Summer Internship at TSA

Walton, an Information Systems and Operations Management major at George Mason University, is well prepared for the experience, holding multiple knowledge, skills, and abilities (KSAs) beyond just her certifications in Microsoft Office Word, PowerPoint and Excel.

During her internship, Walton will assist and collaborate with TSA-DHS Performance Management members through a variety of opportunities. She will:

- Deliver in-depth explanation of reports and metrics
- Review data sets and identify inconsistencies
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