

ACTIVISM IN A NEW ERA:

A Washington Conversation with Global Implications

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SUNDAY, FEB. 15TH 4:00 – 6:30 P.M. AT GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY

Whatever our policy focus, advocates for peace, social justice, and human rights face a new era in 2009. Huge financial challenges are sweeping the world, reducing the affluence of the wealthy and deepening poverty for far too many others. Lives are lost daily in wars and sectarian conflicts with no apparent end in sight, while environmental crises loom.

Yet with a new Administration and Congress, progressive forces in the U.S. for the first time in years also stand at the threshold of tangible, measurable advances for positive social change. How can we chart a socially responsible course together through the insecurities of the day? How can we seize the rare opportunities before us to promote national and international well-being?

Psychologists for Social Responsibility (PsySR) invites you take part in a Strategic Brainstorming for the Peace, Social Justice, and Human-Rights Community. This special free event will take place at Georgetown University in Washington, D.C., Sunday, Feb. 15th, from 4 to 6:30 p.m.

In the first hour, PsySR will set the scene, exploring key psychological strategies for the road ahead:

- What the Pentagon can learn from psychology about terrorism and peace.*
-- Fathali M. Moghaddam, Ph.D., director of the Georgetown Conflict Resolution Program and author of *How Globalization Spurs Terrorism*.
- Global poverty, human rights, and psychology: A call to action.*
– Anthony J. Marsella, Ph.D., emeritus professor of psychology at the University of Hawaii and winner of the 2009 Lifetime Achievement Award from the International Academy of Intercultural Research.
- Activism in a cooperative era: Any new rules?*
– Jancis Long, Ph.D., University of California, Berkeley Extension, and President, Psychologists for Social Responsibility.

The second hour will be an open strategic brainstorming, with everyone welcome to participate. Ideas for working together in the new climate of crisis and opportunity will be gathered and sent to all participants.

Sweets, savories, wine, & soft drinks will be served before & after the program.

JOIN PSYSR SUNDAY, FEB. 15TH FROM 4 P.M. – 6:30 P.M.
Room 311 in White Gravenor Hall at Georgetown University
(Stone building just inside pedestrian entrance to campus at 37th and P Streets, N.W.)
Please RSVP by February 14th to brainstorm@psysr.org or 202-543-5347.