

ROBERT G. SHELDON

Experience

BUSINESS EXECUTIVES FOR NATIONAL SECURITY (BENS) • Washington, DC

January 2015 – Present: Director of Policy

- Serve as staff lead for the organization's cybersecurity and technology portfolio, with emphasis on Internet governance, cybersecurity research and development, and cybersecurity-focused public-private partnerships;
- Manage a Council of over 100 member participants—including numerous C-level executives and corporate board members—that steers the organization's strategic engagement on cybersecurity policy issues.

THE MAUREEN AND MIKE MANSFIELD FOUNDATION • Tokyo, Japan

March 2013 – July 2014: Mansfield Fellow

- One of 10 U.S. federal government employees selected to work for one year within the Japanese Government;
- Provided research and analysis, consulting, and advisory services related to cybersecurity policy and strategy issues to an elected Representative and other officials up to the Cabinet ministerial-level.

THE U.S.-CHINA ECONOMIC AND SECURITY REVIEW COMMISSION (USCC) • Washington, DC

March 2012 – March 2013: Senior Policy Analyst, Military and Security Affairs

June 2009 – March 2012: Policy Analyst, Military and Security Affairs

January 2009 – May 2009: Research Fellow

- Served as principal staff analyst for Chinese security issues, with emphasis on cybersecurity, telecommunications, science and technology, and research and development;
- Led a team of analysts and researchers focused on Chinese defense, energy, and foreign policy issues;
- Drafted and defended: substantial portions of a policy-oriented annual report to Congress; policy recommendations for legislative action; Congressional testimonies; speeches; and op-eds.

Education

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY • Elliott School of International Affairs • Washington, DC

2009: Master of Arts, Security Policy Studies (3.8/4.0)

CHAMPLAIN COLLEGE • Honors Program • Burlington, VT

Bachelor of Science, Computer and Digital Forensics (3.7/4.0)

Selected speaking engagements

- "Japan-U.S.: A Vision for Collaboration in Cyberspace to Ensure Peace and Security across the Asia-Pacific." (Commentator.) National Bureau of Asia Research. Washington, D.C., September 18, 2015.
- "Cyber Security Regulation and Policy: Looking Back and Ahead." (Co-panelist.) Mandiant Incident Response Conference (MirCON) 2012. Washington, D.C., October 18, 2012.

Selected publications

- Robert Sheldon and Joe McReynolds. "Civil-Military Integration in Cybersecurity: A Study of Chinese Information Warfare Militias." Chapter in *China and Cybersecurity: Espionage, Strategy, and Politics in the Digital Domain*. Eds. Jon R. Lindsay, Tai Ming Cheung, and Derek S. Reveron. *University of Oxford Press*, 2015.
- Robert Sheldon. "Commentary: Let CYBERCOM Stand Alone." *Defense News*, December 1, 2013.

Professional affiliations

- **Center for Strategic & International Studies (CSIS)**, Adjunct Fellow, Strategic Technologies Program.
- **Shafik Gabr Foundation**, Gabr Fellow, East-West: The Art of Dialogue program (2016).
- **InfraGard**, Washington, DC Chapter.
- **Partnership for a Secure America**, Congressional Fellowship (Spring 2011).