

Conferences

2015

15-16 April
RAF Museum
London

From 'Shooting the Front' to Combat ISTAR: The Evolution of Aerial Intelligence and Reconnaissance

From aerial observation and photographic reconnaissance in the First World War through to the emergence of Combat ISTAR, effective intelligence gathering has been at the heart of air operations since the earliest use of air power. This is because air power is able to provide longer, deeper and more persistent forms of information collection.

This conference, organised in conjunction with the RAF's Centre for Air Power Studies, explores the importance of aerial based reconnaissance and intelligence gathering and its effect on war in all its facets.

Research Programme

2015

For more details about the RAF Museum's research programme, please email Ross Mahoney at ross.mahoney@rafmuseum.org

The Royal Air Force Museum tells the story of the RAF through its people and collections



The Trenchard Lectures in Air Power Studies

Delivered by emerging and established scholars, these lectures will explore a variety of air power related topics ranging from historical themes to contemporary issues.

Held in conjunction with the Royal Aeronautical Society and the University of Wolverhampton.

2015	19 February	Bomber Command and Political Warfare, 1939-1945: The Missing Dimension
	No. 4 Hamilton Place, Royal Aeronautical Society	Professor Richard Overy (University of Exeter)
	18:00-19:30	
	19 March	'Official Squeamishness': The Air Ministry and the Bomber Offensive of the Second World War
	University of Wolverhampton	Air Commodore (ret'd) Dr Peter Gray (University of Birmingham)
	18:00-19:30	
	21 May	Tedder, Intelligence and Operation CRUSADER
	No. 4 Hamilton Place, Royal Aeronautical Society	Sebastian Cox (Head, Air Historical Branch)
	18:00-19:30	
	25 June	The Royal Air Force and Losing Air Superiority in the Far East, 1941-1942
University of Wolverhampton	Dr Peter Preston-Hough (University of Wolverhampton)	
18:00-19:30		
22 October	The Trick Cyclists: Neuropsychiatry and the Management of Aerial Warfare, 1939-1945	
No. 4 Hamilton Place, Royal Aeronautical Society	Lynsey Shaw (University of Oxford)	
18:00-19:30		
19 November	Drone Wars: The Politics and Ethics of Remote Operations	
University of Wolverhampton	Dr Peter Lee (Portsmouth Business School at RAF College Cranwell)	
18:00-19:30		

The First World War in the Air Lunchtime Lectures

Delivered by emerging and established scholars, the lunchtime lectures will explore key events and air power developments from the conflict.



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These lectures form part of our HLF funded exhibition, the 'First World War in the Air'.

2015	13 February	The Royal Flying Corps and the Western Front in 1915: Myths and Realities
	RAF Museum London	Dr James Pugh (University of Birmingham)
	12:30-14:00	
	15 May	Flying Training in the Royal Flying Corps/Royal Air Force, 1912-1918
	RAF Museum London	Wing Commander (ret'd) C.G. Jefford (Royal Air Force Historical Society)
	12:30-14:00	
	14 August	Air Power, Combined Operations and the Gallipoli Campaign, 1915
	RAF Museum London	Ross Mahoney (Royal Air Force Museum)
	12:30-14:00	
	13 November	From the Grand Fleet to Gallipoli: The Origins of Maritime Air Power
RAF Museum London	Dr Benjamin Jones (Portsmouth Business School at RAF College Cranwell)	
12:30-14:00		

All lectures are free of charge but you will need to pre-book online. Lectures are subject to change. Please visit our website for more details:- www.rafmuseum.org.uk

Please note that The Trenchard Lectures in Air Power Studies are not held at the RAF Museum but at the Royal Aeronautical Society and University of Wolverhampton.

Researchers wishing to contribute papers to either lecture series should email a title and 300 word abstract of their proposed paper, plus a one-page CV to Ross Mahoney at ross.mahoney@rafmuseum.org