

Special guest speaker, Robert Bach

Dr. Robert Bach is currently on the faculty at the Center for Homeland Defence and Security at the Naval Postgraduate School and works with the Institute for Public Research. Dr. Bach has served as a strategic consultant with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and his current research focuses on community participation in emergency preparedness, and strategic planning. Formerly, he was a professor of sociology at the New York State University and a member of the Bill Clinton's administration. He is in New Zealand as the director of the multi-national project on community resilience (US, UK, Sweden, Canada, Australia, New Zealand) that is aimed at providing information for the governments of those countries on community resilience policies.