



# ICRD Monthly Update

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## Faith-in-Action

The International Center for Religion & Diplomacy presented its 2016 Faith-in-Action Award to Imam Mohamed Magid at its annual dinner on May 12th, honoring him for his renowned religious and civic leadership, including his work with the White House in countering violent religious extremism.



Imam Mohamed Magid receiving ICRD's Faith-in-Action Award for 2016.



George Selim reads a letter of support for Imam Magid from the Secretary of Homeland Security.

In addition to the award presentation, highlights of the evening included remarks from White House Chief of Staff, Denis McDonough (speaking on behalf of President Obama), who also spoke of the President's belief in and support for the work of ICRD. Further appreciation for Imam Magid was expressed by George Selim, Director of the Office of Community Projects at the Department of Homeland Security, on behalf of Secretary Jeh Johnson. Lending further gravitas to the evening, Dr. Gregory Treverton, Chairman of the National Intelligence Council, delivered an insightful, albeit sobering, address on the security challenges that lie ahead.



White House Chief of Staff Denis McDonough celebrating Imam Magid's accomplishments



National Intelligence Council Chairman, Dr. Gregory Treverton, engages in a panel discussion with the audience.

A resounding and heartfelt "Thank You" to our table sponsors; to our silent auction donors, especially award winning photo-journalist Ben Barber and New York Times columnist Tom Friedman (who will be joining two couples for a private lunch at the National Press Club); to all who came out to support our Center's work; and to our staff and interns who helped make the evening such a success. To paraphrase Churchill: never have so many (those whom we serve around the world) owed so much to so few.



ICRD President Doug Johnston and his wife Daren share a laugh with fellow submariner and friend Jim Patton of North Stonington, CT.



ICRD interns give a hero's lift to Amol Nadkarni, Executive Assistant to the President, for his role in coordinating the logistics for the event.

With best wishes,

*Doug Johnston*

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