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Topic

"Science Diplomacy in Action: Bridging Cultures and Supporting Development"

This panel will address important science and technology policy questions in terms of science diplomacy and related issues. Science diplomacy is typically defined above or in resolution of political and cultural conflicts and differences. The panel will turn on individual presentations and open discussion from this perspective, with the aim of addressing what science diplomacy means in theory and practice and will consider tools, models, and outcomes relative to specific challenges in the world today. Moreover, referring to various aspects of science and technology in relation to informing policy and to facilitating and using scientific and technological cooperation across countries, the presentations will provide a basis for exploring science diplomacy as a field of study from which an orienting framework and research agenda can be developed. Discussion also will look to delineate key comparative historical dimensions of science diplomacy with particular attention to policy implications and applications.