



National Counterproliferation Center Director

Maja Lehnus

Mrs. Maja Lehnus became the Director of the National Counterproliferation Center in January 2012. She came to NCPC most recently from her position as Director of the Weapons Intelligence, Nonproliferation, and Arms Control Center (WINPAC) since October 2007, having previously served as Deputy Director of WINPAC since December 2003. WINPAC is chartered with assessing the strategic threat posed by foreign weapons, monitoring nonproliferation and arms control agreements, and combating proliferation.

In February 2005, Mrs. Lehnus received the William L. Langer Award for “extraordinary achievement in support of the DI mission.” Before reporting to the WINPAC Front Office, Mrs. Lehnus served as the Chief of the DCI’s Iraq WMD Review Group and as the Deputy Director of the Office of Collection Strategies and Analysis (CSAA), an organization responsible for providing comprehensive intelligence collection expertise to senior Agency and Intelligence Community officials.

Mrs. Lehnus has held a wide range of management positions working weapons-related issues. She drove analytic programs related to foreign delivery systems, space and counterspace systems, advanced conventional weapons developments, emerging technologies, and nuclear capabilities. Mrs. Lehnus also led a special Agency and IC projects. Her analytic career focused on the analysis of foreign weapons systems, heavily leveraging technical data sources.

Mrs. Lehnus participated in the April 2011 Department of Defense Pinnacle program, a course is designed to prepare flag and general officers or equivalent. Much earlier in her career she also participated in the Women’s Executive Leadership Program, a year-long management training program. Mrs. Lehnus received her BSEE (Cum Laude) from Virginia Tech in 1984 and her MSEE from Johns Hopkins University in 1990.