



Disruptive Speaker Series: A Turmoil of Shadows

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SOFWERX, in collaboration with the USSOCOM J5 Donovan Strategy and Innovation Group, hosted a Disruptive Speaker Series, led by Dr. Lilian “Doc” Alessa, entitled, “A Turmoil of Shadows: The Hidden Facets of Arctic Threats and the Role of USSOCOM in Ensuring Stability.”

Doc currently serves as the President’s Professor at the University of Idaho and Director of the Center for Resilient Communities (CRC). She has previously served as a Defense Intelligence Senior Level (DISL)-equivalent Special Advisor to the Department of Defense (DOD) and is currently serving as a Senior Advisor to DOD.

Event Outcomes

- 209 outstations participated virtually.
- Doc continues to work across the U.S. interagency, providing subject matter expertise on issues related to defense and security resilience in the context of the Peoples’ Republic of China and the Russian Federation, with an emphasis on the circumpolar Arctic.