About this Network

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I. The H-Diplo Network: Scope, Content, Purpose

Established in 1993, H-Diplo has evolved from its origins as an electronic discussion list for a diplomatic historians into a flagship global interdisciplinary network and publication center for matters relating to diplomatic and international history, broadly defined. Over the past twenty-five years it has become one of the most relevant and important open-access scholarly resources on the internet. Each year, H-Diplo publishes over 300 commissioned roundtable reviews, article reviews, essays, commentaries, and policy series, as well as original works of scholarship. It features penetrating discussions and forums on important new works, including both monographs and articles in the top journals of the field. In 2016 it inaugurated a widely read series of essays on the implications of the Trump presidency.

H-Diplo publications wed the thoughtfulness of print publications with the dynamism of electronic media. H-Diplo thus increases the velocity of communication in the field and lowers the barriers to discussion by scholars across the globe, while maintaining strict scholarly standards. Our publications regularly are cited in academic literature, both print and electronic; having one's book featured in an H-Diplo roundtable is considered to be a vital step for scholars as they seek tenure and promotion. Our publications also feature prominently on the syllabi of many college and university courses, and are particularly popular in graduate seminars.

Our professional quality pdf formatted documents, which are based upon our innovative digital publishing project initiated in the late 1990s, are openly accessible on a variety of devices. Our publications are permanently accessible, free of charge, to anyone who wishes to read them.

H-Diplo

- Is a member of H-Net: Humanities and Social Sciences Online. Please consider making a donation to help support H-Net's costs; open access to scholarly publication and discussion networks is vital to the transmission of scholarship and research across the globe.
- Is a network dedicated to the study of diplomatic history, international relations, and foreign policy, broadly defined.
- Has members from across the globe and from a variety of disciplines and backgrounds.
- Is overseen by an advisory board composed of distinguished scholars that determine its overall policies. Day-to-day operations are handled by the H-Diplo editors. Their details are located on our Personnel page at https://networks.h-net.org/node/28443/pages/28446/h-diplo-personnel
- Gratefully acknowledges the National Security Archive for its continued generous support of the H-Diplo Managing Editor Position.
II. Editors.

H-Diplo is edited by field experts approved by the network board and certified by H-Net’s Executive Council. The editors serve two-year renewable terms and rotate their duties. Editors are listed in the Network Staff List linked from the network’s front page. The editors will solicit postings through the H-Net Commons, will approve new subscriptions, will handle routine inquiries, and manage submissions. Anyone with suggestions about what H-Diplo can and might do is invited to send in ideas by writing to the editorial address. The editors will solicit and post newsletter-type information (calls for conferences, for example, or listings of sessions at conventions.) Like all H-Net networks, H-Diplo is moderated to edit out material that, in the editors’ opinion, is not germane to the network mission, involves technical matters (such as subscription management requests), is inflammatory, or violates evolving, yet common, standards of Internet etiquette. Please read section III below for details about ownership, style, formatting, and content of your messages. H-Net's procedure for resolving disputes over editorial practices is Article II, Section 2.02 of our council policies, located at:

https://networks.h-net.org/node/59057/pages/59068/council-policies

For a list of current editors, visit: https://networks.h-net.org/node/28443/staffpage

III. Communicating Through the Network.

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B. Contributions: The tone and content of H-Diplo depends directly on subscribers. The editors want to encourage lively, informal, productive discussion and exchange of information. To that end, we ask that contributions be considerate of the needs of a busy audience of scholars, many of whom must pay for their access to the internet. A number of excellent guides to online behavior and style are available on the internet and we invite you consult them.

-- ALL CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE NETWORK MUST BE SIGNED. If your profile on the H-Net Commons is not filled out with a valid name and affiliation the editors will delay posting until authorship and email address are confirmed.

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-- FORMAT: While you can submit your posts to the Commons using various fonts, styles and formatting these may be edited by the editor for uniformity and readability.

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**V. The H-Diplo Network Site**

The H-Diplo network site contains the following required information and services:
- The archives of the H-Diplo network discussions and other uploaded content
- The network’s official documents: its about page, lists of board members and editors, contact information, and other founding and information documents.
- Hypertext links to resources in our subject: teaching materials, research archives, other networks.

VI. Advisory Board.

H-Diplo’s daily activities are managed by the editors. Its long-term policies are developed by the advisory board. If you are interested in serving on the board, please contact the current editor. Board members referee incoming articles, reviews, and teaching materials; establish basic subscription restrictions and policy; advise the editors on disputes among editors and subscribers; monitor the network and make active contributions to discussion; and serve as the subscribers’ voice in H-Net affairs. You are encouraged to contact any or all of the editorial board members with ideas and concerns about H-Diplo.

For a list of the current advisory board, visit: https://networks.h-net.org/node/28443/staffpage

VII. Our Parent Organization: H-Net

H-Net is an international consortium of scholars in the humanities and social sciences that creates and coordinates digital networks, using a variety of media, and with a common objective of advancing humanities and social science teaching and research. H-Net was created to provide a positive, supportive, egalitarian environment for the friendly exchange of ideas and scholarly resources.

The goals of H-Net networks are to enable scholars to easily communicate current research and teaching interests; to discuss new approaches, methods and tools of analysis; to share information on digital resources; and to test new ideas and share comments on the literature in their fields.

H-Net’s Council Policies and Bylaws, along with a list of its officers and committees, is available at:


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http://www.h-net.org/reviews.

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https://www.h-net.org/jobs/home.php

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