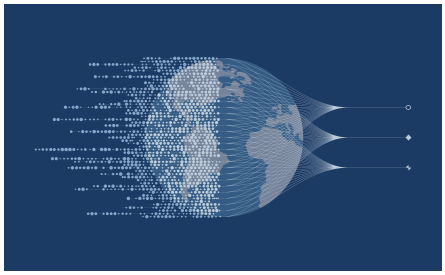

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Today's Minds Tomorrow's Innovators - Bridging Worlds: Future Leadership for a Safer World

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The Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization (CTBTO) is uniquely positioned at the intersection of science and diplomacy. To sustain the talent needed to achieve a world without nuclear tests, the CTBTO continues to invest in cultivating the next generation of leaders in STEM, and nuclear disarmament and non-proliferation, from across the world.

This panel will bring together some of Today's leaders in science and diplomacy with Tomorrow's innovators to explore how multiple perspectives and forward-thinking leadership across these two critical fields is essential for building a safer world.

Through intergenerational dialogue between seasoned and emerging professionals, the session will also examine the challenges faced by leaders within diplomatic and technical fields and spotlight initiatives undertaken to address them, such as the CTBTO Mentoring Programme for early-career women in STEM and the CTBTO Research Fellowship, which empower, inspire and prepare young professionals to thrive. It will further showcase why mentorship, research fellowship, and policy engagement are effective tools to create leadership pathways in both technical and diplomatic careers, amplifying the contributions and voices of those promoting peace, security, and scientific advancement.

By bringing everyone together, we expand our collective ability to innovate, mediate, and lead. This session offers a platform for transformative dialogue, reflection, and inspiration. Together, we can reshape the landscape of science diplomacy to ensure that the future is nuclear-test free.

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