Former Senator Richard G. Lugar to receive the 2016 J. William Fulbright Prize for International Understanding

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WASHINGTON, D.C.—Former Senator Richard Lugar will receive the 18th J. William Fulbright Prize for International Understanding at the Fulbright Association’s Annual Conference today in Washington.

According to the Fulbright Association, the Fulbright Prize has been awarded since 1992 to honor significant lifetime achievements in international understanding, peace, and security. Previous laureates have included Bill and Melinda Gates, Colin Powell, Corazon Aquino, Desmond Tutu, Doctors Without Borders, Hans Blix, Nelson Mandela, and Vaclav Havel.

Upon announcement of the award, Senator Lugar said, “As a Rhodes Scholar at Pembroke College, University of Oxford, I first corresponded with Senator J. William Fulbright and was impressed with his encouragement of young Americans to prepare for leadership in the world. I continued to discover throughout my public service the extraordinary leadership that Senator Fulbright gave as a visionary statesman over decades of remarkable service. It is an especial honor to receive this award that bears his name as I continue to look forward to each opportunity to encourage young people to pursue international study and cultural experiences in the quest for international understanding and peace.”

Read more about the Fulbright Prize here.