

2006 NATO - RUSSIA RALLY  
**SAMARA**  
**15 May**

*Programme*

**PREVIOUS EVENING MOVIE FOLLOWED BY RECEPTION**

*Description:* Movie followed by reception. Luxemburgish movie “*J’ai toujours voulu être une sainte*”, original version, English subtitles

*Host:* Embassy of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg to the Russian Federation

*Time:* 19:30

*Site:* “*Bumazhnaya Luna*” Restaurant, Leningradskaya St., 77

*Guests:* Local authorities, speakers, VIPs, students. Press invited.

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**9:00-9:30**

**WELCOMING COFFEE AND REGISTRATION**

**9:30-17:00**

**CONFERENCE**

*Title:* “**NATO-Russia Council: new threats to security**”

*Site:* Museum of Alabin, Lenin St., 142

*Russian Partner:* Samara State Pedagogical University, M. Gorkiy St., 65/67

*Co-organizers:* “*Alliance Française*”, Vladimir Vysotskiy St., 10

*Working Languages:* Russian, French, English

*Targeted audience:* 260 students and officials

**9:30-10:30**

**OPENING SESSION**

9:30-9:40 Welcoming from Igor Vershinin, Rector of Samara State Pedagogical University

9:40-9:50 Introductory remarks by Konstantin Titov, Governor of Samara Oblast (tbc)

9:50-10:00 Introductory remarks by Isabelle Francois, NATO Information Office Director

10:00-10:15 Keynote address by H.E. Carlo Krieger, Ambassador of Luxembourg to the Russian Federation

10:15-10:30 Keynote address by Nicolas Chibaeff, Counsellor for Cooperation and Cultural Affairs to the Ambassador of France to the Russian Federation

**10:30-13:00**                    **FIRST SESSION: “SECURITY CHALLENGES”**

*Chaired by:*                    Nicolas Chibaeff, Counsellor for Cooperation and Cultural Affairs to the Ambassador of France to the Russian Federation

10:30-10:50                    “*Euro-Atlantic security yesterday, today and tomorrow*” by Ambassador Matjaz Sinkovec, Ambassador of Slovenia to NATO

10:50-11:10                    “*NATO-Russia Council: agenda and perspective*” by Sylvain Berger, Political Counsellor, French Permanent Representation to NATO

**11:10-11:30**                    **COFFEE BREAK**

11:30-11:50                    “*The instruments of cooperation and security in the Post-Soviet area (The South Caucasus case study)*” by Sergey Markedonov, Institute for Political and Military Analysis

11:50-12:10                    “*A NATO perspective*” by Peter Kovacs, NATO Political Affairs and Security Policy Division, Partnership for Peace and Cooperation Programmes

12:10-13:00                    Qs and As Period chaired by Nicolas Chibaeff, Counsellor for Cooperation and Cultural Affairs to the Ambassador of France to the Russian Federation

**POINT DE PRESSE**

*Location:*                    Museum of Alabin, Lenin St., 142  
*Time:*                         13:00-13:30  
*Officials:*                    AMB Krieger (LU), D. Tarabrin, Z. Gross (FR), N. Chibaeff (FR), M. Sinkovec (SV), I. Francois  
*Moderator:*                 Irina Golovina, NATO Information Office Press Officer

**13:00 – 15:00**                    **LUNCH (AT PARTICIPANTS’ OWN EXPENSE)**  
**SPECIAL LUNCH FOR VIPS**

*Description:*                 Lunch for VIPS  
*Time:*                         13:00-15:00  
*Location:*                    “*Tri Viasa*” Hotel, Nekrasovskaya St., 28  
*Host:*                         Delegation of Slovenia

<b>15:00-16:40</b>	<b>SECOND SESSION: “CONFLICT RESOLUTION AND SECURITY COOPERATION”</b>
<i>Chaired by:</i>	Monique Tuffelli-Pierre, Head of Outreach Countries Section, Public Diplomacy Division, NATO
15:00-15:20	“ <i>NATO-Russia Council: new threats to security</i> ” by Dmitriy Tarabrin, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation
15:20-15:40	“ <i>Security Space from the Mediterranean to the Black Sea</i> ” by Vasilios Costis, Minister Counsellor of Embassy of Greece to the Russian Federation
15:40-16:00	“ <i>NATO-Russia co-operation in operations</i> ” by Erik Sandahl, NATO Operations Division, Crisis Management and Operations
16:00-16:20	“ <i>Russia-NATO: partnership and cooperation in a changing world</i> ” by Mikhail Kurochkin, Professor of Samara State Pedagogical University
16:20-16:40	Qs and As Period chaired by Monique Tuffelli-Pierre, Head of Outreach Countries Section, Public Diplomacy Division, NATO
<b>16:40-17:00</b>	<b>CONCLUSIONS BY IGOR VERSHININ, SAMARA STATE PEDAGOGICAL UNIVERSITY RECTOR, AND NICOLAS CHIBAEFF, EMBASSY OF FRANCE TO THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION</b>

#### ONLINE DEBATE (WEBSITE)

*Format:* Blog: [www.natorussiarally.blogspot.com](http://www.natorussiarally.blogspot.com)  
*Supervisor:* Sergey Utkin, Association for Euro-Atlantic Cooperation  
*Contributor:* H.E. Jean Cadet, Ambassador of France to the Russian Federation

#### CULTURAL PROGRAMME

- Slovenian movie “*Idle Running*”  
*Time:* 17:00-19:00  
*Site:* Conference hall of Museum of Alabin, Lenin St., 142

**19:00-20:00**

**COCKTAIL**

*Host:* Embassy of France

*Site:* “*Alliance Française*”, Vladimir Vysotskiy St., 10,  
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

*Attendance:* By invitation only