

- “*NATO-Russia Council: today and tomorrow*” by Ambassador at Large Aleksander Alekseev, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation
- Remarks by Petr Lunak, Senior Programme Coordinator, NATO Public Diplomacy Division
- “*Russia-NATO relations: some aspects of human dimension*” by Vyacheslav Yagubkin, Head of International Department, Volgograd Academy of Public Administration
- “*Russia-NATO cooperation: ways for improvement*” by Lieutenant Colonel Marcel de Haas, Royal Netherlands Air Force
- Qs and As Period chaired by Mikhail Sukiasyan, Rector of Volgograd Academy of Public Administration

12:15-12:30 **COFFEE BREAK**

12:30-13:45 **SECOND SESSION: “NATO-RUSSIA RELATIONS: RETROSPECTIVE AND HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE”**

Chaired by: Mikhail Sukiasyan, Rector of Volgograd Academy of Public Administration

- “*On a way to strategic partnership. Anti-Nazi Coalition: lessons learned*” by Aleksander Kubyshkin, Head of Department of Region Studies and International Relations, Volgograd State University
- “*Russia and Eastern Central Europe: a chance for strengthening confidence*” by Zoltán Sz. Bíró, Member of the Hungarian Prime Minister's Advisory Board on International and Security Policy
- “*Evolving security cultures in NATO and partner countries*” by Michel Duray, Director of NATO Information and Documentation Centre in Ukraine
- “*Role of NATO-Russia relations in development of political culture*” by Viktor Pilipenko, Vice Rector on Science and Research of Volgograd Academy of Public Administration
- Qs and As period chaired by Mikhail Sukiasyan, Rector of Volgograd Academy of Public Administration

13:45-14:00 **CONCLUDING REMARKS BY MIKHAIL SUKIASYAN, RECTOR OF VOLGOGRAD ACADEMY OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION**

14:00-14:30 **POINT DE PRESSE**

Location: Conference site, Gagarin St., 8, main conference hall, first floor
Officials: P. Lunak, M. Duray, I. Francois, AMB Alekseev, M. Sukiasyan, Z. Biro (HU), LTC de Haas (NE)
Moderator: I. Chernov, Director of NATO Contact Point at Volgograd Academy of Public Administration

14:45-17:45 **LUNCH FOR VIPS**

Site: “Zamok na Peskakh” Restaurant (in case of good weather - on board a river boat)
Host: Volgograd Academy of Public Administration
Guests: Upon invitation: speakers, officials (20 guests)

15:00 – 16:00 **VIDEO-LINK FOR STUDENTS**

Speakers: NATO Spokesman James Appathurai and Jean-Arthur Creff, Librarian, NATO HQ Library
Moderators: Vyacheslav Yagubkin, Head of International Department, Volgograd Academy of Public Administration
Site of event: Volgograd Academy of Public Administration, Gagarin St., 8, second floor, Academic Council hall
Audience: 60 students and academics

ONLINE DEBATE (WEBSITE)

Format: Blog: www.natorussiarally.blogspot.com
Supervisor: Sergey Utkin, Association for Euro-Atlantic Cooperation

16:30-19:00 **CULTURAL PROGRAMME**

- Visiting historical monuments in Volgograd: Mamayev Mound and “Stalingrad Battle” Panoramic Museum

19:00 – 21:00 **EVENING RECEPTION**

Site: “Senate” Bar
Guests: speakers, officials, students, academics, journalists – upon invitation