

Annual NATO Conference on WMD Arms Control, Disarmament and Non-proliferation

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Speakers and Topics

OPENING OF THE CONFERENCE

Video address by NATO Deputy Secretary General Ambassador Claudio Bisogniero

Opening remarks by the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Poland Mr. Radosław Sikorski

Opening remarks by the Acting Chairman of NATO Senior Politico-Military Group on Proliferation (SGP) Ambassador Robert F. Simmons Jr., NATO Deputy Assistant Secretary General for Security Cooperation and Partnership

Guests of Honour:

Ambassador Rogelio Pfirter, Director-General, Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW)

Professor Adam Daniel Rotfeld, Former Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Poland and Former Chair of the UN Secretary General's Advisory Board on Disarmament Matters

SPECIAL KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Ms. Ellen O. Tauscher, U.S. Under Secretary of State for Arms Control and International Security; introduction by Dr. Boguslaw Winid, Ambassador of Poland to NATO

PANEL 1: “The future of multilateral non-proliferation regimes and initiatives”

- **Hon Gareth Evans, Co-Chair, International Commission on Nuclear Non-proliferation and Disarmament:** "Eliminating nuclear threats: the report of the International Commission on Nuclear Non-proliferation and Disarmament".
- **Amb. Tibor Toth, Executive Secretary, Provisional Technical Secretariat of the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Test-Ban Treaty:** “The CTBT: a cornerstone of the nuclear non-proliferation regime”.
- **Dr. Pierre Goldschmidt, former Deputy Director General, International Atomic Energy Agency:** “Concrete steps to improve the non-proliferation regime”

PANEL 2: “Addressing current regional proliferation threats and challenges – the Middle East”

- **Ms. Annalisa Giannella, Personal Representative on non-proliferation, Council of the European Union:** “Addressing current regional proliferation threats and challenges – the Middle East: the role of the EU”
- **Dr. Mahmoud Karem, Ambassador, Special Advisor for Non-proliferation to the Foreign Minister of the Arab Republic of Egypt:** “What does the Middle East expect from the 2010 NPT Review Conference?”
- **Amb. Peter Jenkins, Associate Fellow, Geneva Centre for Security Policy (GCSP):** “Iran’s nuclear programme as a challenge to the global non-proliferation regime”

PANEL 3: “Addressing current regional proliferation threats and challenges - Asia”

- **Dr. Bates Gill, Director, Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI):** “Current proliferation threats and challenges in Asia”
- **Mr. LI Song, Deputy Director-General, Department for Arms Control, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the People’s Republic of China:** “China’s perspectives on the Korean Peninsula nuclear issue”
- **Amb. Nobuyasu Abe, Director, Center for the Promotion of Disarmament and Non-Proliferation, Japan Institute of International Affairs:** “North Korean challenge to a World without nuclear weapons”
- **Amb. Han-taek IM, Ambassador of the Republic of Korea to the Conference on Disarmament, Geneva:** “Addressing the proliferation challenges in Northeast Asia”

PANEL 4: “NATO's contribution to international efforts in the area of arms control, disarmament and non-proliferation”

- **Mr. Guy Roberts, NATO Deputy Assistant Secretary General for WMD Policy and Director, Nuclear Policy Directorate:** “NATO's nuclear deterrence posture: past, present and future?”
- **Amb. Jacek Bylica, Head, WMD Centre, NATO International Staff:** “NATO's policies in support of WMD arms control, disarmament and non-proliferation”
- **Amb. Peter Gottwald, Commissioner of the German Federal Government for Arms Control and Disarmament:** “Defining NATO's role in arms control, disarmament and non-proliferation”
- **Dr. Vladimir Yermakov, Director for Strategic Capabilities Policy, Department for Security Affairs and Disarmament, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation:** “The Russian approaches to solving the problems of disarmament and non-proliferation”

PANEL 5: “Terrorism and WMD proliferation”

- **Professor Maurizio Martellini, Secretary General of Landau Network – Centro Volta and Professor of Theoretical Physics at the University of Insubria, Como, Italy:** “The human dimension in non-proliferation and international instruments”
- **Mr. Thomas M. Sanderson, Deputy Director and Senior Fellow, Transnational Threats, Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS):** “Intentions and capabilities of terrorists to acquire and use WMD”
- **Mr. Krzysztof Patulej, Director, Office of Special Projects, Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons:** “OPCW and the prevention of chemical terrorism”