



## WINTER ACADEMY 2008

### “An Enlarged NATO: Challenges and Prospects”

Berlin, 11-16 February

#### 11 February, Monday

**Venue:** Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung e.V.  
Klingelhöferstraße 23  
10785 Berlin, Germany

10.00 – 11.00

#### **Opening ceremony**

*Dr. Tatyana Parkhalina, Director, Centre for European Security, Vice-President, Russian Association for Euro-Atlantic Cooperation; Dr. T. Kunze, Head, Europe and North America Department, KAS; Amb. Dr. Ernst-Jörg von Studnitz, Chairman of German-Russian Forum; Mr. Lothar de Maizière, Co-Chairman of German-Russian Forum; Dr. Petr Lunak, Senior Programme Coordinator, Outreach Countries Section, Public Diplomacy Division, NATO HQ.*

#### **TOPIC I: An Ongoing NATO Transformation**

11.00 – 13.00

#### **Memberships and Partnerships**

*Amb. Martin Erdmann, Assistant Secretary General, Political Affairs and Security Policy Division, NATO HQ; Amb. Alexander Alexeyev, Russian MFA; Mr. Eberhard Pohl, Deputy Political Director, German MFA.*

13.00 – 13.45

#### **Lunch**

13.45 – 14.45

#### **A New Strategic Concept for the Alliance?**

*Amb. Jiri Sedivy, Assistant Secretary General, Defence Policy and Planning Division, NATO HQ (VTC).*

- 14.45 – 15.00 **Break**
- 15.00 – 17.00 **Workshop: How does NATO's Transformation affect New Members and Partners?**  
*Dr. Petr Lunak, Senior Programme Coordinator, Outreach Countries Section, Public Diplomacy Division, NATO HQ.*

## **12 February Tuesday**

**Venue:** Hotel Sylter Hof \*Berlin\*  
Kurfürstenstraße 114-116  
10787 Berlin, Germany

## **TOPIC II: An Enlarged NATO: Challenges Ahead**

- 10.00 – 11.30 **Integrating Western Balkans into the Alliance: Croatia, Albania, FYROM**  
*Mr. Steffen Elgersma, Euro-Atlantic and Partnership Directorate, Political Affairs and Security Policy Division, NATO HQ (VTC); Dr. Dušan Reljić, Senior Researcher, German Institute for International and Security Affairs.*
- 11.30 – 13.00 **NATO's Relations with the South Caucasus and Central Asia**  
*Mr. Robert F. Simmons Jr., Deputy Assistant Secretary General for Security Cooperation and Partnership, Political Affairs and Security Policy Division, NATO HQ (VTC); Johannes Regenbrecht, Section Head, South Caucasus and Central Asia, German MFA; Dr. Dmitri Danilov, Head, Department of Security, Institute of Europe, RAN; Dr. Uwe Halbach, German Institute for International and Security Affairs.*
- 13.00 – 14.00 **Lunch**
- 14.00 – 16.00 **NATO - Russia Relations in the View of Future Enlargement**  
*Mrs. Radoslava Stefanova, Russia and Ukraine Relations Section, Political Affairs and Security Policy Division, NATO HQ; Dr. Tatyana Parkhalina, Director, Centre for European Security, Vice-President, Russian Association for Euro-Atlantic Cooperation.*
- 16.00 – 16.30 **Coffee break**

16.30–18.30      **Workshop 1: NATO and Russia in Central Asia and the South Caucasus**

*Mrs. Radoslava Stefanova, Russia and Ukraine Relations Section, Political Affairs and Security Policy Division, NATO HQ.*

**Workshop 2: The Adriatic Three Contributing to Euro-Atlantic Security and Stability**

*Mr. Frank Kupferschmidt, Senior Research Associate, Research Unit European and Atlantic Security, German Institute for International and Security Affairs.*

### **13 February, Wednesday**

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### ***TOPIC III: Balkans Today***

09.00 – 11.00      **Kosovo Nine Years On. NATO's New Partners: BiH, Serbia, Montenegro**

*Mr. Michel Duray, Senior Programme Coordinator for the Western Balkans, Deputy Head, Outreach Countries Section, Public Diplomacy Division, NATO HQ.*

11.00 - 13.00      **Workshop I: Kosovo Independence: A Necessity or a Dangerous Precedent?**

**Workshop II: Ukraine on the Road to NATO**

*Mr. Michel Duray, Senior Programme Coordinator for the Western Balkans, Deputy Head, Outreach Countries Section, Public Diplomacy Division, NATO HQ.*

13.00 – 14.00      **Lunch**

15.00      **Visit to German Parliament (Bundestag)**

## **14 February, Thursday**

*Venue:* Hotel Sylter Hof \*Berlin\*  
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### ***TOPIC III (continuation): Balkans Today***

- 10.00 – 11.00      **Kosovo Nine Years On.**  
*Dr. Emily Haber, Regional Director, South East Europe and Turkey, German MFA.*
- 11.00 – 12.00      **Kosovo: Nine Years on: a Russian point of view**  
*Prof. Alla Yaz'kova, Chief Researcher, Head of the Centre for Mediterranean and Black Sea Region, Institute of Europe RAN.*
- 12.00 – 14.00      **Russia's Current Role and Interests in the Balkans**  
*Prof. Alla Yaz'kova, Chief Researcher, Head of the Centre for Mediterranean and Black Sea Region, Institute of Europe RAN.*
- 14.00 – 15.00      **Lunch**

## **15 February, Friday**

*Venue:* Hotel Sylter Hof \*Berlin\*  
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### ***TOPIC IV: NATO's Operations***

- 10.00 – 11.00      **Afghanistan: ISAF and the Role of PRTs. Evaluations, Perspectives**  
*Amb. James Pardew Deputy Assistant Secretary General, Operations Division, NATO HQ (VTC)*
- 11.00 – 12.00      **NATO Public Diplomacy (tbc)**  
*Dr. Stefanie Babst, Deputy Assistant Secretary General, Public Diplomacy Division, NATO HQ (VTC).*
- 12.00 – 13.00      **Lunch**

- 13.00 – 15.00      **Perspectives on NATO – Russia Practical Cooperation**  
*Major-General (DEU AF), Kurt Herrmann, Head NATO Military Liaison Mission in Moscow; Captain (Navy) Oleg V. Bushuev MOD RF.*
- 15.00 – 15.30      **Coffee Break**
- 15.30 – 17.30      **Operational Challenges Beyond Europe**  
*Major-General (NLD AR) Ton van Loon, Chief of Staff, NATO Allied Land Component Command Headquarters – Heidelberg.*

**16 February, Saturday**

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***TOPIC V: The Bucharest Summit and Beyond***

- 10.00 – 12.00      **On the Road to the Bucharest Summit**  
*Dr. Isabelle Francois, Director NATO Information Office Moscow*
- 12.00 – 13.00      **Lunch**
- 13.00 – 15.00      **Perspectives of NATO-Russia Cooperation**  
*Dr. Isabelle Francois, Director NATO Information Office Moscow; Mr. Grigory Amnuel, Director, Open Club “International Dialogue”; Dr. Tatyana Parkhalina, Director, Centre for European Security, Vice-President, Russian Association for Euro-Atlantic Cooperation.*
- 15.00 – 15.30      **Break**
- 15.30                **Closing ceremony**