

**Press conference by the NATO Secretary General
following the meeting of the NATO-Russia Council**

Brussels, 12 January 2022

On Wednesday 12 January 2022, a meeting of the NATO Russia Council will take place at NATO Headquarters.

After the meeting, the NATO Secretary General, Mr. Jens Stoltenberg, will brief the media in his capacity as Chair of the NATO-Russia Council.

10:00 Start of the NATO-Russia Council

±13:30 Press conference by NATO Secretary General (Press Theatre, NATO HQ)

Media Accreditation

Attendance in person:

- a. NATO will allow a limited number of media representatives to cover the event in person.
- b. Media representatives who have annual accreditation to NATO can attend the press conference in person, if they present their 2021 pass and a valid COVID certificate upon arrival at NATO HQ (more details [here](#)).
- c. Other media representatives wishing to cover the event in person need to apply for accreditation at NATOAccreditations@hq.nato.int by **Thursday 6 Jan 2021, 23:59**. Please use as subject line: *12 Jan NRC – ATTENDANCE IN PERSON*. **NATO will confirm your accreditation explicitly by email.**
- d. NATO strongly recommends media organisations to plan for a minimal physical presence.

NATO will also facilitate remote coverage/interaction:

News and information is routinely placed on the NATO website. This includes audio files, transcripts and high resolution photographs, which are posted as soon as possible after events of media interest.
Nouvelles et informations sont régulièrement affichées sur le site Web de l'OTAN, sous la forme de fichiers audio, de transcriptions et de photographies destinées à la publication. Elles sont disponibles le plus rapidement possible après les événements présentant un intérêt pour les médias.

- a. Journalists can apply to ask questions remotely via Zoom during the NATO Secretary General's press conference. Those wishing to do so need to register until **Tuesday 11 January 2022 at 23:59 (Brussels Time)** by writing to NATOAccreditations@hq.nato.int.

Please use as subject line: *12 Jan NRC – ATTENDANCE VIA ZOOM*.

- b. Media will be contacted separately for technical details.

Broadcast / Online

The Secretary General's press conference will be streamed live on the [NATO website](#), broadcast live via satellite (on worldfeed), and made available after the event on the [NATO Multimedia portal](#).

A transcript of the Secretary General's remarks during the press conference, as well as pictures taken by NATO photographers during the events will be available on the [NATO website](#).

Access to NATO HQ

Accredited media will be able to enter the NATO HQ premises as of **9:30**.

Physical access to NATO HQ will be granted only if one of the conditions below is met (as also outlined [here](#)):

- Possess a vaccination certificate proving that they are fully vaccinated since 14 days before entering NATO HQ premises;
- Bring a certificate stating post-COVID recovery (not more than 180 days);
- Present a valid PCR test (done within 72 hours).

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