

‘Croatia in Contemporary Security Environment - Threats, challenges and responses’

14 - 16 June 2015, Zagreb, Croatia

- The conference agenda -

Sunday, June 14, 2015	
19.00	<p>Welcome cocktail/reception: Hosts: Dr. Sanja Tišma, Director of the Institute for Development and International Relations and LtGen Dr. Slavko Barić, Commandant of the Croatian Defence Academy</p>
Monday, June 15, 2015	
09.00	<p>Remarks by Mrs. Kolinda Grabar Kitarović, the President of the Republic of Croatia, Remarks by Mrs. Višnja Tafa, the Deputy Defence Minister of Croatia, Group photographing</p>
09.45	<p>Welcoming address: Dr. Jugoslav Jozić, Director of the Centre for Defence and Strategic Studies Dr. Sanja Tišma, Director of the Institute for Development and International Relations</p>
10.00	<p>Panel 1 – <u>Emerging trends, main challenges and threats in the contemporary Euro Atlantic / European security environment</u> Moderator: Dr. Sandro Knezović (Senior Research Fellow at the Institute for Development and International Relations, Zagreb, Croatia) Dr. Robert Barić, member of the Military Representation of the Permanent Delegation of the Republic of Croatia to NATO, Brussels, Belgium.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Contemporary European security environment - emerging trends and perspectives; ▪ Ukraine conflict – what is its impact on relations between ‘the West’ and Russia? What are the consequences of the conflict for the Southeast Europe and Croatia in particular? <p>Vice Admiral Didit Herdiawan, MPA, MBA, Vice Governor of the Lemhannas National Defence Institute, Indonesia</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ What is ISIS and why is it menacing the world? <p>Dr. Matthew Rhodes, Professor at the George C. Marshall European Center for Security Studies, Germany.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Economic crisis – what is its impact on defence expenditures and investments, and the political will to provide required capabilities and deploy forces?
11.30	<p>Coffee break (sponsored)</p>
11.45	<p>Panel 2 – <u>Defence and security implications and responses to challenges and threats</u> Moderator: Dražen Smiljanić M.S. (Branch Head at the Centre for Defence and Strategic Studies, Zagreb, Croatia) Dr. Antonio Missiroli, Director of the European Union Institute for Security Studies, Paris, France</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Recent events (Ukraine, ISIS) and emerging trends - what implications for the defence? Should there be a paradigm shift in the way defence systems are organized

	<p>(with the reference to hybrid threats/ambiguous threats)? What connection and balance (of military) with other elements of the power (Diplomatic, Information and Economic)?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ European capacities to confront challenges and threats – ambition and capacity of the EU CFSP to act on the global scale <p>Dr. Valbona Zeneli, Professor at the George C. Marshall European Center for Security Studies, Germany.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The role of NATO for the European security – collective defence ambitions and capabilities. ▪ Development of lacking capabilities – is NATO’s Smart Defence acceptable/realistic? <p>Dr. Igor Matutinović, Managing Director of the GfK - Centre for market research, Zagreb; Professor at the Faculty of Electrical Engineering and Computing, University of Zagreb and the Zagreb School of Economics and Management, Zagreb.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ National security challenges in the context of sustainability.
13.15	Lunch (sponsored)
14.15	<p>Panel 3 – <u>The role/position of the Republic of Croatia (as a NATO and EU member) in contemporary security environment and defence/security capabilities needed</u></p> <p>Moderator: Dr. Jugoslav Jozić (Director of the Centre for Defence and Strategic Studies, Zagreb, Croatia)</p> <p>Dr. Vlatko Cvrtila, Dean at VERN² University of Applied Sciences, Zagreb, Croatia.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Existing and needed capabilities of the Republic of Croatia (civilian and military) to face challenges and counter threats –what balance between national and Alliance capabilities? What specific defence/military capabilities Croatia should develop? ▪ Border control - existing threats (proliferation of the weapons of mass destruction and migrations). ▪ Schengen area and readiness of the Republic of Croatia to join – what specific capabilities need to be developed? <p>Dr. Predrag Jureković, Senior researcher at the Institute for Peace Support and Conflict Management, National Defence Academy, Austrian Armed Forces, Vienna, Austria.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Specific challenges/threats for the national security of the Republic of Croatia – present and emerging. ▪ Republic of Croatia and its current and potential role in the cooperative security within NATO (open door policy) and the EU. <p>Marko Savković, M.Phil., Program Director at the Belgrade Fund for Political Excellence (BFPE), Belgrade, Serbia</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Republic of Croatia and its current and potential role in the South-East Europe, a view from the region.
15.45	Closing remarks: Dr. Jugoslav Jozić , Director of the Centre for Defence and Strategic Studies
19.00	Dinner (for key speakers and NATO DEEP team representatives)
Tuesday, June 16, 2015	
09.00-12.00	Side event – the city of Zagreb sightseeing (for key speakers and guests from abroad)



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