



“European Governance: Potential of Differentiated Cooperation”

Differentiated Cooperation in Action Part #3: Defence and Security Policy

Programme

6 June 2019

Thursday

13:00-14.30

Room: Grand Living
Room: Dining Room
(9th floor)

Is the European Defence Integration the answer for Europe’s security concerns?

Since the release of the EU Global Strategy 2016, the European Union (EU) has been developing a number of mechanism to mitigate different structural deficiencies that potentially subject Europe to rising insecurity. Progress towards a Europe of defence has become a critical part of a wider vision for a stronger and more effective EU foreign policy aiming at the promotion of prosperity, democracy, peace and security in the world. In so doing, defence complements several other EU policies, including development policy, neighbourhood policy and trade policy. The “awakening of the sleeping beauty”, as sometimes PESCO is referred to, represents with the European Intervention Initiative the most tangible embodiment of the EU’s quest for strategic autonomy. Experiencing an era of political divide between Central Europe and the rest of Europe, the region seeks its place and role in Franco-German-led sets of ambitions. Is Central Europe ready to shape European defence policy of the future? Is the European defence policy the answer for Europe’s security concerns?

Key note speech by H.E. **Róbert Ondrejcsák**, State Secretary of the Ministry of Defence of the Slovak Republic, Slovakia

Speakers:

Admiral Manfred Nielson, Deputy Supreme Allied Commander Transformation, North Atlantic Treaty Organization, USA

Katarina Cséfalvayová, Chairwoman, Foreign Affairs Committee National Council of the Slovak Republic, Slovakia

Stefano Stefanini, Ambassador (Ret.), Permanent Representative of Italy to NATO and Diplomatic Advisor to the President of Italy, Giorgio Napolitano 2007-2010, Member of GLOBSEC European Security Initiative, Italy

Anna Wieslander, Director, Future of Europe Initiative, Northern Europe, Atlantic Council, Sweden

Chaired by: Martin Kastler, Resident Representative for Central Europe, Hanns Seidel Stiftung, Prague, Czech Republic

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15:00-16.30

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Beyond PESCO: What is a Vision for a European Defence Union?

Discussions among EU Member States on European defence integration are well under-way together with the implementation of ambitious initiatives such as permanent structured cooperation (PESCO), the European defence action plan including a new defence fund, and a revision of the financing of its civilian and military missions and operations to make them more effective. Given EU leaders’ current support for further initiatives in EU security and defence policy, important debates are likely to take place in future on the possible progressive framing of a European defence union. This discussion creates a space for discussing the recommendations on how such a consensual vision should be achieved, who



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should drive the process and what are the realistic timelines? Is an EU army on a table as some of the most ardent supporters of a genuine European defence union propose? Will Member States contribute equally to the implementation of ambitious EU initiatives? What is the role of Central Europe?

Speakers:

Gen. Wolf-Dieter Langheld, Commander of NATO Allied Joint Force Command Brunssum 2010-2012, Member of GLOBSEC European Security Initiative, Germany

Erik Brattberg, Director of the Europe Program, Fellow at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Washington DC, USA

Jana Puglierin, Head of Program, Alfred von Oppenheim Center for European Policy Studies, The German Council on Foreign Relations (DGAP), Germany

Monika Sus, Postdoctoral Fellow and Project Leader, Hertie School of Governance, Germany

Marcin Zaborowski, Professor at the University of Warsaw, Department of International Relations, Senior Associate, Visegrad Insight, Poland

Chaired by: Tomáš A. Nagy, Advisor to the State Secretary Róbert Ondrejcsák, Ministry of Defence of the Slovak Republic

16:30-18:00
Restaurant Massimo

Cyber Readiness in the Central European region. Featuring the CRI 2.0 Assessment for Slovakia

The aim of the closed-door session is to facilitate a discussion on the level of cyber readiness in the Central and Eastern European region. The session will begin with a brief presentation of the CRI 2.0 Assessment for Slovakia, jointly developed by GLOBSEC and the Potomac Institute for Policy Studies and then seek input and comments from selected representatives of think-tanks, academia, and research organisations from the CEE region.

This will be followed by a deliberation on the kind of specific cyber threats the region faces, with special attention to its geopolitical context and the perils of cyber-enabled information operations. Moreover, since the release of the EU Global Strategy 2016, the European Union has been developing a number of mechanisms to mitigate different structural deficiencies that potentially subject Europe to rising cyber insecurity. In partnership with DIFF GOV, one of the objectives of the closed-door session is to ascertain the level of cooperation within EU member-states and discuss a roadmap for the future.

Speakers:

Joanna Kulesza, Professor University of Łódź, Poland

Francesca Spidalieri, Senior Fellow for Cyber Leadership at the Pell Center for International Relations and Public Policy at Salve Regina University & CRI 2.0 co-author, Italy

Timo S. Koster, Ambassador at Large for Security Policy and Cyber, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, The Hague, The Netherlands

Chaired by: Anushka Kaushik, Research Fellow, GLOBSEC Policy Institute, Bratislava, Slovakia



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8:30-10.00
Room: Sajado
Restaurant**Post „Caliphate” Jihadism and Post „Caliphate” Terrorist Threat to Europe**

This side event brings together stakeholders, researchers, private sector and consultants to map out the potential future avenues of security threats in the EU and beyond. Primary focus would be global jihadism (where now, how, who would lead? etc.) and its ability to influence EU security (via whom, in what capacity, how? etc.). Are we back to pre-Arab Spring era when for many jihadi terrorism seemed like a threat from a distant past or is this just a lull before another volcanic eruption? Or maybe it is not a lull at all, just a reshuffle of musical chairs? After the Caliphate, what will the European jihadi sympathisers concentrate on – will it be attacks at home? An alliance with organized crime? How to work with non-Europeans to help keep Europe and EU safe vis-a-vis such a metastasizing threat?

Speakers:

Pierre Colomina, Researcher, IRIS (The French Institute for International and Strategic Affairs), Paris, France

Eleni Fotou, Forensic Psychologist, University of Thrace, Xanthi, Greece

Olivier Guitta, Managing Director, Global Strat, Braintree, the United Kingdom

Anton Kojouharov, Security Program Analyst, Center for the Study of Democracy (CSD), Sofia, Bulgaria

Damien Saverot, Chair of Middle East and Mediterranean Studies, Middle East and Islamic Studies, Ecole Normale Supérieure, Paris, France

Hans-Jakob Schindler, Senior Director, United Nations/International Organisation - Office Germany and New York, Counter Extremism Project, USA

Chaired by: Kacper Rekawek, PhD, Head of National Security Programme, GLOBSEC Policy Institute, Bratislava, Slovakia

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18:00-19.00
Room: Emperor**New European Political Cycle 2019-2024: Ideas Coming from Central Europe**

GLOBSEC Vision for Europe Task Force in the framework of Jean Monnet Project: DIFF GOV: European Governance: Potential of Differentiated Cooperation will meet to discuss the vision for building a more successful and prosperous Europe through the lenses of a constructive Central (and Eastern) European perspective. In this side event we will discuss the various policy areas, including Defence and Security, and layout the vision for the new European political cycle. It is an obvious fact that Central Europe's fortunes stand and fall with the European integration process. However, the voice of the region often seems misheard or unheard and there seems to be an institutional distance from the countries of the “new” Europe. Can Central Europe contribute to a big plan for EU reform? How to prevent wideing gap of West/East divide? Do countries in the region support different speed of cooperation? What are the foundations of the success of the European Union from the perspective of the V4 countries?

Welcome by H.E. Miroslav Lajčák, Minister of Foreign and European Affairs of the Slovak Republic





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Speakers:

Aart De Geus, Chairman and CEO, Bertelsmann Stiftung, Brussels, Belgium

Štefan Füle, European Commissioner for Enlargement and European Neighbourhood Policy, Chairman of the Administrative Board, Czech China Chamber of Cooperation, Prague, Czech Republic

Rosen Plevneliev, Former President of Bulgaria, Sofia, Bulgaria

Thomas Wieser, Former President of Eurogroup Working Group, Fellow, Bruegel, Brussels, Belgium

Chaired by: Amb. Jakub Wiśniewski, Vice President and Research Director, GLOBSEC

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