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### Central and Eastern Europe in a new European Security Architecture

Monday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022 – Tuesday, December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Andrássy University Budapest, Pollack Mihály tér 3., 1088 Budapest

#### **Content:**

From the early 1950s until the fall of the Berlin Wall and the Iron Curtain the European security architecture was defined by two alliances - the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) and the Warsaw Pact - confronting each other. The end of the East-West confrontation in the late 1980s led to the dissolution of the latter and thereafter to the eastern expansion of NATO to include Central and Eastern European countries.



In order to accommodate Russia, the Western Alliance set up among other schemes in 2002 the NATO-Russia Council and in 1995 the CSCE had become the OSCE including NATO countries and all succession countries of the former Soviet Union. Russia's unprovoked large scale attack on Ukraine in February 2022 destroyed this existing pan-European security cooperation. The foundations of the existing European security architecture were shattered. Russia war in Ukraine is reawakening old traumas, especially in Central and Eastern Europe. Security concerns in the region have grown, and the desire for a strong military presence of NATO at its eastern borders.

It is not yet clear when and how Russia's War on Ukraine will end, but it will have – without any doubt - serious consequences for Euro-Atlantic security. Are we at the outset of a new Cold War in Europe?

Since Russia attacked Ukraine on February 24, we have been witnessing some important changes in not only European but also national foreign, security and defence policies. In the past, Europeans often appeared reluctant to coordinate their national foreign, security and defence policies. The Ukraine crisis, however, has elicited a strong, unified response from the European Union (EU), the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO), and their member states as never before. To put pressure on the Kremlin and bring the war to an end, the EU, in close coordination with its North American allies, has adopted unprecedented measures including a series of sanctions and providing lethal weapons to Ukraine to defend itself against the Russian aggression.

The war in Ukraine represents an important opportunity for Europe to strengthen its common security and address defence capability shortfalls. A new security architecture is emerging from



this crisis in which the EU and NATO should seek not only to complement, but also to mutually reinforce one another. They must also keep working together to protect the common values and principles both organizations stand for.

What must Europe and NATO prepare for in the long run? What impact will Russia's war have especially on Central and Eastern European countries? What is needed to strengthen their security and what will be their role in a new European security architecture?

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#### Monday, December 5<sup>th</sup> 2022

Programme at: Andrássy University Budapest, Pollack Mihály tér 3., 1088 Budapest

09:00 h – 09:30 h	Welcome and Introductory remarks at Andrássy University by Zoltán Tibor Pállinger (confirmed) Rector
	Andrássy University Budapest
	<b>Lukas Wick</b> <i>(confirmed)</i> Policy Advisor
	European Office of the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung
09:30 h – 10:30 h	<b>Current challenges to the European security architecture</b> <b>Ludger Kühnhardt</b> (confirmed) Director
	Center for European Integration Studies (ZEI)
10:30 h – 11:30 h	Europe's security architecture – an introduction Heinrich Kreft (confirmed)
	Professor, Head Centre for Diplomacy Andrássy University Budapest
11:30 h – 12:00 h	Coffee break
12:00 h – 13:30 h	<u>Unit 1 :</u> A new European security architecture: What is needed?
12:00 h – 12:30 h	Perspective Germany
	Vanessa Vohs (confirmed)
	Researcher & PhD student, Bundeswehr University Munich Member of the KAS Working Group "Young Foreign Policy Experts
12:30 h – 13:00 h	Perspective Poland
	Michał Baranowski (confirmed)
	Director
	German Marshall Fund, Warsaw office
13:00 h – 13:30 h	Perspective Czech Republic
	Martin Svárovský (confirmed)
	Advisor to the Deputy Speaker, Czech Parliament
	Chairman of the Committee on European Affairs
13:30 h – 14:30 h	Lunch break
14:30 h – 15:00 h	Perspective Hungary
	Tamás Csiki Varga (confirmed)
	Research Fellow
	Center for Strategic and Defense Studies





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15:00 h – 15:30 h	<b>Perspective USA</b> <b>Dov Zakheim</b> <i>(confirmed)</i> Former US Under Secretary of Defence, Senior Advisor, Center for Strategic and International Studies (CNA)
15:30 h – 16:00 h	<b>Perspective Baltic states</b> <b>Margarita Šešelgytė</b> ( <i>confirmed</i> ) Director, Institute of International Relations and Political Science Vilnius University
16:00 h – 16:30 h	<b>Perspective Austria</b> <b>Ursula Plassnik</b> <i>(confirmed)</i> Former Foreign Minister, Austria
16:30 h – 17:30 h	Coffee break
17:30 h – 18:00 h	<b>Perspective NATO</b> <b>Oana Lungescu</b> ( <i>confirmed</i> ) Principal Spokesperson for the North Atlantic Alliance, NATO
18:00 h – 19:30 h	<u>Unit 2 :</u> What steps have to be taken for a new European security architecture? Concluding panel and discussion <u>Moderation</u> Heinrich Kreft (confirmed) Professor, Head Centre for Diplomacy, Andrássy University Budapest
	<u>Panelists</u> <mark>Géza Jeszenszky</mark> <i>(confirmed)</i> Professor, Former Minister of Foreign Affairs, Hungary
	<b>Dov Zakheim</b> <i>(confirmed)</i> Former US Under Secretary of Defence, Senior Advisor, Center for Strategic and International Studies (CNA)
	<b>Oana Lungescu</b> <i>(confirmed)</i> Principal Spokesperson for the North Atlantic Alliance, NATO
	<b>Ursula Plassnik</b> <i>(confirmed)</i> Former Foreign Minister, Austria
19:30 h	Welcome of the Minister Zoltán Tibor Pállinger (confirmed) Rector, Andrássy University Budapest
19:35 h	<b>Introduction of the Minister</b> <b>Heinrich Kreft</b> ( <i>confirmed</i> ) Professor, Head Centre for Diplomacy, Andrássy University Budapest

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19:40 h – 20:00 h	<b>Keynote Speech</b> <b>Kristóf Szalay-Bobrovniczky</b> <i>(confirmed)</i> Minister of Defence, Hungary			
20:00 h – 20:05 h	<b>Concluding remarks</b> <b>Michael Winzer</b> (confirmed) Director, Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung Hungary			
<b>Tuesday, December 6<sup>th</sup> 2022</b> <u>Programme at:</u> Andrássy University Budapest, Pollack Mihály tér 3., 1088 Budapest				
09:30 h – 09:40 h	<b>Welcome remarks</b> Heinrich Kreft ( <i>confirmed</i> ) Professor, Head Centre for Diplomacy, Andrássy University Budapest			
09:40 h – 10:00 h	Energy security - a pressing (security) challenge for Europe			
	<b>Keynote Speech</b> <b>Thomas Bareiß</b> <i>(confirmed)</i> Member of German Bundestag			
10:00 h – 11:30 h	Security challenges for South East Europe and the special situation on the Western Balkans			
	<b>Roundtable</b> <b>Moderation:</b> <b>Thomas Mayr-Harting</b> <i>(confirmed)</i> Ambassador (ret)., Chair for Diplomacy, Andrássy University Budapest			
	<b>Speakers:</b> Julianna Ármás (confirmed) Research Fellow, Institute for Foreign Affairs and Trade			
	<b>Péter Siklósi</b> <i>(confirmed)</i> Political Advisor Ministry of Defence, Hungary			
	<b>Thomas Bareiß</b> <i>(confirmed)</i> Member of German Bundestag			
	<b>Dov Zakheim</b> <i>(confirmed)</i> Former US Under Secretary of Defence, Senior Advisor, Center for Strategic and International Studies (CNA)			
11:30 h – 12:30 h	Lunch			
12:30 h	End of programme			





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