

NATO-EU Roundtable



March 30 - April 1, 2017

Event moderator: Emmet Tuohy, Eastern Partnership Centre

9.00-9.30 Registration and welcome coffee

9.30-9.45 **Welcoming Addresses**

Tobias Mörschel, Friedrich Ebert Stiftung

9.45-10.15 **NATO** interview

Patrick Turner, Assistant Secretary General for Operations (TBC)

Interviewer: TBC

10.15-10.30 Break

Panel Discussions

10.30-12.00 Basics of the NATO-EU Cooperation

NATO and the EU are facing multiple threats in nowadays world. Cooperation between two organizations has been talked for a long time but so far actions haven't been remarkable. What could be the main aspects of the cooperation between NATO and the EU, why this cooperation has been discussed so little so far, what can be the role for the civil society?

Mariliis Gross, Ministry of Defence of Estonia, NATO-EU department Uwe Optenhögel, Friedrich Ebert Stiftung Urmas Paet, Member of the European Parliament, Estonia

Moderator: *Mike Winnerstig,* Non-resident research fellow at International Centre for Security and Defence (ICDS)

12.00-12.15 **Coffee Break**















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12.30-14.00 Military Cooperation Between NATO and the EU

After the Warsaw Summit, a question about the European army has raised again. Does the EU needs its own army? What could be the pros and contras in this question and may it add an extra value for NATO? How could the EU itself contribute more for the defence questions? What are the main aspects in military cooperation between two organizations?

Commander Kurt Engelen, Staff Officer Cooperative Security of the Belgian Military Representation to NATO

Lieutenant Colonel, John Frick, U.S. Army, Office of the Political Advisor, Joint Force Command Brunssum

Representative from EDF

Moderator: Marko Koplimaa, Estonian Ministry of Defence

14.00-14.45 Lunch

14.45-16.00 Countering Hybrid Threats Together

Hybrid threats are one of the key elements in the challenges NATO and the EU faces today. How can we counter these threats together? Could the hyber field be the main cooperation element between NATO and the EU? Is it necessary to have a cyber command in NATO?

Beata Bialy, Senior Expert, Doctrine, Concept and Experimentation Branch, NATO StratCom Centre of Excellence

Sven Sakkov, Director of NATO Cooperative Cyber Defence Centre of Excellence, Estonia

Kristi Raik, Senior research fellow at Finnish Institute of International Affairs (FIIA), non-resident research fellow at International Centre for Defence and Security (ICDS)

Moderator: *Dmitri Teperik*, Director of International Centre for Defence and Security (ICDS), Estonia











