



## NATO AND THE EU BEYOND RIGA

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\*\*\*Final Agenda\*\*\*

### Saturday, December 9

9:00 – 9:30

Welcome and Introduction

Remarks: **Karsten Voigt, German Foreign Ministry (Berlin)**

9:30 – 12:45

**NATO AND THE EU AFTER RIGA AND BEFORE BRUSSELS**

**9:30 NATO AFTER RIGA**

- What does the Riga Summit say about the political condition of the Alliance?
- What practical initiatives came out of the Summit, and how are these to be best implemented?
- What topics present themselves already as likely agenda items for the next NATO Summit?

Remarks: **Simon Lunn, NATO (Brussels)**

**Zaneta Ozolina, Strategic Analysis Commission (Riga)**

**10:30 THE EU BEFORE THE GERMAN PRESIDENCY**

- On the eve of the Brussels Summit which will close the Finnish EU presidency, to what degree does the failure of the EU constitutional treaty affect the future of ESDP?
- What are the major differences in outlook among the member states of the EU regarding an EU Security Strategy and how can they be overcome?
- What reforms with regard to the EU's external policies can the German presidency in 2007 hope to implement?

Remarks: **Markus Kaim, Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik (Berlin)**

**Alexandre Vulic, European Council (Brussels)**

**11:30 NATO AND THE EU AFTER RIGA AND BEFORE THE GERMAN PRESIDENCY**

- Iraq: In badly, out badly?
- Afghanistan and Iran: What next?
- Kosovo: What now? Elsewhere: What if?

Remarks: **Benoit d'Aboville, Cour des comptes (Paris)**

**Jeffrey Gedmin, Aspen Institute (Berlin)**

**12:30**

**Conclusions:**

**Frank Kramer, National Defense University (Washington)**

**Eckart von Klaeden, Bundestag (Berlin)**

12:45 – 14:00

**LUNCH - THINKING ABOUT THE STATE OF THE ALLIANCE AND THE  
CONDITION OF EUROPE**

Remarks: **Michael Stürmer, Die Welt (Berlin)**

14:30 – 17:30

**ASSESSING EU, NATO, AND EU-NATO CAPABILITIES**

**14:30 Assessing EU Missions and Capabilities**

- What are the successes and failures in on-going EU military operations?
- Does the EU have the capacity to take on more out-of-area missions?

Remarks: **Rainer Meyer zum Felde, German Ministry of Defense (Berlin)**

**Walter Slocombe, Caplin & Drysdale (Washington)**

Closing Comment: **Jiri Schneider, Prague Security Studies Institute (Prague)**

**15:30 Assessing NATO Capabilities and Missions**

- What are the successes and failures of the mission in Afghanistan? Does the experience in the Balkans have any applicable lessons?
- To what extent, if any, does the growing focus on the global security responsibilities of NATO, and the development of related capabilities, distract from the enforcement of NATO's primary mission, which remains concerned with the defence of its members in Europe?

Remarks: **John Koenig, Embassy of the U.S. to Germany (Berlin)**  
**Tomas Valasek, Defense Ministry of Slovakia (Bratislava)**  
Closing Comment: **Ettore Greco, Istituto Affari Internazionali (Rome) & Brookings Institution (Washington)**

**16:30 Assessing the Potential for NATO-EU Cooperation**

- Is developing a NATO-EU framework for cooperation or complementarity still a pressing issue, or should such efforts give way to ad hoc arrangements based on particular circumstances?
- How, if at all, does further enlargement, or the lack of it, impact the NATO-EU cooperative environment in and beyond Europe—including NATO enlargement to Ukraine and Georgia and EU enlargement to Turkey and Croatia.

Remarks: **Günther Burghardt, Mayer, Brown, Rowe & Maw (Brussels)**  
**Kori Schake, Hoover Institution (Washington)**

Closing Comment: **David Darchiashvili, Open Society Georgia Foundation (Tbilisi)**

19:00 **Supper — Hosted by John Koenig, Deputy Chief of Mission, U.S. Embassy Berlin**

**Sunday, December 10**

**9:00 – 12:00 BENCHMARKS FOR 2007-2009**

**9:00 Developing a Stabilization and Reconstruction Initiative**

- Should NATO develop a structure for forming partnerships with the EU and international organizations and civilian NGOs in the context of an SRI, and if so, how? How would decision-making take place in such partnerships?

Remarks: **Rob de Wijk, Netherlands Institute of Intl. Relations (The Hague)**  
**Ivan Krastev, Centre for Liberal Strategies (Sofia)**

Closing Comment: **Ulrike Guérot, German Marshall Fund (Berlin)**

**10:00 New NATO, EU, NATO-EU Strategic Concepts**

- What should a new NATO Strategic Concept contain? What benefits could the process of writing a new Strategic Concept provide?
- What should a new European Security Strategy contain? What institutional needs should be met to reinforce the credibility of the ESS?
- Should and could a new NATO Strategic Concept be tied to and associated with the EU Strategic Concept – new or as currently stated? What would be the benefits/disadvantages?

Remarks: **Ian Brzezinski, Booz Allen Hamilton (Washington)**  
**Fraser Cameron, European Policy Centre (Brussels)**

Closing Comment: **Peter Härle, Bundeswehr Center for Transformation (Berlin)**

**11:00 Conclusions – NATO and the EU: Next Steps**

Remarks: **Ralph Thiele, Luftwaffenamt (Cologne)**

Closing Comment: **Simon Serfaty, CSIS (Washington)**

12:00 **End of Conference**