

Immediate and Wider European Security Considerations

13-14 January 2022

Schedule

Register

Thursday 13 January

15:30-16:00 Registration

16:00-16:10 Welcome Greeting

Prof. Ilias KOUSKOUVELIS, Head, Dept. of International and European Studies, University of Macedonia, Greece

16:10-16:30 Keynote Speaker

General (ret.) Mikhail KOSTARAKOS, Honorable Chief of HNDGS, former Chairman of the EU Military Committee, Greece

"The EU Security and Defense: The Way Ahead"

16:30-17:30 First Session: Culture and Norms in the EU External Relations

Prof. Kjell ENGELBREKT, Swedish Defense University, Sweden

"The Scandinavian Perspective in Forming the EU Security and Defense Policy"

Prof. Elect Konstantina Botsiou, University of Piraeus, Greece

"Bridging European Security with the Pax Americana: the View from Greece"

Assist. Prof. Revecca PEDI, University of Macedonia, Greece

"Strategic Compass and the European Small States"

Prof. Kostas IFANTIS, Panteion University, Greece

"Is the EU's Strategic Autonomy Possible?"

17:30-17:50 Discussion

17:50-18:00 Break

18:00-19:00 Second Session: Exporting the Values of the Union in the Context of the EU Foreign Policy

Dr. Konstantinos BALOMENOS, Hellenic Ministry of National Defense, Greece

"In Defense of EU Norms: Migration as a Means of Hybrid War. The Case of Illegal Entry of Migrants in Evros"

Prof. Imankalyan LAHIRI, Jadavpur University, India

"EU Relations with India: When Norms Met Interests"

Assist. Prof. Panagiota MANOLI, University of Peloponnese, Greece

"The Eastern Partnership: Goals and Challenges for the EU"

Ms. Dionysia TSOLAKI, PhD Candidate, University of Macedonia, Greece

"External Action & Enhancing the Rule of Law in Times of Uncertainty: a Bird's Eye View of a Sophisticated Arsenal and Relevant Challenges"

19:00-19:20 Discussion

Friday 14 January

16:00-17:00 Third Session: The EU and the Mediterranean - Past Experience and Future Challenges

Dr. Daniel BEAUDOIN, Executive Director, International Society for Military Ethics in Europe, France

"When Politics Meets International Humanitarian Aid: the Case of ECHO"

Amb. (ad. hon.) Alexandros MALLIAS, Hellenic Republic, Greece

"Transatlantic Relations and the East Mediterranean"

1st Lt. Konstantinos TZANETAKOS, Hellenic Air Force, Greece

"The EU Strategic Autonomy in the Light of the Developments in the East Mediterranean"

Assist. Prof. Elect Konstantinos ZARRAS, University of Macedonia, Greece

"Regional De-escalation in the MENA and the EU: Dealing with the Challenges of an Ever-Changing Security Environment"

17:00-17:20 Discussion

17:20-18:20 Fourth Session: Cultural Awareness in EU Missions and Operations

Assist. Prof. Kalliopi CHAINOGLOU, University of Macedonia, Greece

"Protection of Cultural Heritage: The EU Approach"

Lt. Col. Evagelia KIOSI, College of the Legal Corps of the Hellenic Armed Forces, Greece

"The Evolution of EU's Capacity Building Operations and Missions: Intentions and Prospects for the Future"

Assist. Prof. Fotini BELLOU, University of Macedonia, Greece

"Cultural Awareness in Peace Support Operations"

BGen. (ret.) Ioannis PATERAS, PhD Candidate, University of Macedonia, Greece

"The EU-NATO Cooperation"

18:20-18:40 **Discussion**

18:40-18:50 Break

18:50-19:50 Fifth Session: Religion, Terrorism, and the New Fundamentalism

Prof. James GOW, King's College London, United Kingdom

"NATO 2030: Implications of a New Strategic Focus for Europeans and the EU"

Lt. Col. Vasileios KOUTSOLIAKOS, Hellenic Police Force, Greece

"Terrorism-Migration and Security Challenges"

Prof. Arthur ATANESYAN, State University of Armenia, Armenia

"EU Relations with Armenia: Strategic Expectations"

Prof. Christos NIKAS, University of Macedonia, Greece

"The Economics of European Defense"

19:50-20:10 Discussion

20:10-20:20 Closing Remarks

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