PROGRAMME FOR THE 53rd ANNUAL SECURITY CONFERENCE, FEBRUARY 5th – 6th 2018

“A Diverging West? External Forces and Internal Crises”

Monday, February 5th 2018

08:15-09:00 Coffee and registration at the University Aula, Karl Johans gate 47, Oslo

09:00-11.10 Opening Session: “NATO and Norway - Towards the Brussels Summit”
Chaired by: Kate Hansen Bundt, Secretary General of the Norwegian Atlantic Committee

This session will be held in Norwegian. Translation equipment will be provided.

Words of Welcome
Chair of the Norwegian Atlantic Committee, Anne-Grete Strøm-Erichsen

Opening Remarks: NATO from Wales to Brussels
Secretary General of NATO, Jens Stoltenberg

Q&A

A Diverging West? Challenges to Norwegian Foreign and Security Policy
Norwegian Minister of Foreign Affairs, Ine Eriksen Søreide

Norway and NATO: Prospects and Priorities
Norwegian Minister of Defence, Frank Bakke-Jensen

Q&A

11:15 Bus from the University Aula to Leangkollen Conference Hotel for lunch and afternoon sessions

12:00-13:15 Lunch at Leangkollen Conference Hotel

13:20-14:55 Session II: “External Forces in a Diverging West”
Chaired by: Asle Toje, Research Director at the Norwegian Nobel Institute

The U.S., the End of the Post-Cold War Era, and the Crisis of Global Order
Hal Brands, Senior Fellow at Center for Strategic and Budgetary Assessments and Professor of Global Affairs at Johns Hopkins University’s School of Advanced International Studies (TBC)

Atlantic Drift: Russia and the U.S.-Europe Divide.
Fyodor Lukyanov, Research Director of the Valdai International Discussion Club, Chairman of the Presidium of the Council on Foreign and Defence Policy and Editor-in-Chief of Russia in Global Affairs
Asia: The Rise of China and the Consequences for the Balance of Power  
Jo Inge Bekkevold, Senior Adviser and Head of the Centre for Asian Security Studies at the Norwegian Institute for Defence Studies

Turkey and the West: How Bad is it?  
Joakim Parslow, Associate Professor at the Department of Culture Studies and Oriental Languages at the University of Oslo

Panel discussion and Q&A

14:55-15:15 Coffee

15:15-17:00 SESSION III: “A Tale of Crises: Existential or Passing?”  
Chaired by: Janne Haaland Matlary, Professor at the Department of Political Science, University of Oslo

Status Europe: Sovereignty and Nationalism  
Øyvind Østerud, Professor at the Department of Political Science, University of Oslo

Immigration and Euroscepticism  
Matthew Goodwin, Professor of Politics and International Relations at the University of Kent, Visiting Senior Fellow, Europe Programme, Chatham House

Germany as a Status Quo Power  
Ulrich Speck, Senior Research Fellow at the Elcano Royal Institute's Office in Madrid

France: Foreign Policy Change under Macron  
Frédéric Charillon, Professor at the Department of Political Science, École de Droit, University of Auvergne (TBC)

Brexit: Consequences for European Foreign and Security Policy  
Ulf Sverdrup, Director of the Norwegian Institute of International Affairs

Panel discussion and Q&A

17:15 Departure by bus to Oslo, Fridtjof Nansen pl. 8, City Hall (Estimated arrival at 17.45 hrs)

Tuesday, February 6th 2018

08:00 Bus to Leangkollen. Departure from Fridtjof Nansen pl. 8
08:30-09:00 Coffee and registration

09:00-10:50 Session IV: “How Do We Tackle the Ongoing Security and Defence Conflicts?”  
Chaired by: Anna Wieslander, Director for Northern Europe at the Atlantic Council (TBC)

Norwegian Contributions to NATO’s Military Operations  
Lieutenant General, Erik Gustavson, Chief Defence Staff Norway
From Hybrid War to Hyper War via Cyber War
*Julian Lindley-French*, Professor, Senior Fellow of the Institute of Statecraft, Director of Europa Analytica and distinguished Visiting Research Fellow at the National Defense University, Washington DC

**Force Generation in Europe**
*Magnus Petersson*, Professor, Head of the Centre for Transatlantic Studies at the Norwegian Institute for Defence Studies and former Head of Research at the Swedish National Defence College

**Enhanced Forward Presence: Cooperation from an Operational Point of View**
*Lieutenant Thomas Pettersen*, Telemark Bataljon, Norwegian Army
Dutch representative from the eFP in Lithuania

Panel discussion and Q&A

10:50-11:10 Coffee

11:10-13:00 Session V: “Retreat or Reform: Can Western Institutions Survive?”
Chaired by: *Professor Dr. Julian Lindley-French*

**Where is U.S. Security and Defence Policy Headed?**
*Andrew A. Michta*, Dean of George C. Marshall European Center for Security Studies and former Professor of National Security Affairs at the U.S. Naval War College

**The Rise and Fall of the Liberal Post Cold War Order**
*Asle Toje*, Research Director at the Norwegian Nobel Institute

**Geoeconomics and Consequences for the West**
*Espen Barth Eide*, Member of the Norwegian Parliament (Labour Party), former UN Special Advisor on Cyprus, Norwegian Minister of Foreign Affairs and Minister of Defence

**Key Strategic and Security Challenges Facing NATO and the EU**
*Henrik Ø. Breitenbauch*, Head of Centre for Military Studies, Department of Political Science at the University of Copenhagen

Panel discussion and Q&A

13:00-13:05 Closing remarks by *Kate Hansen Bundt*, Secretary General of the Norwegian Atlantic Committee

13:05-14:00 Lunch

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