



Strategic Policy Institute

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Central Europe in the Age of Hybrid Security Threats

Academy of Armed Forces of gen. Milan Rastislav Štefánik, Liptovský Mikuláš, Slovakia
June 24th – July 1st, 2017

SATURDAY – June 24

Arrival and Icebreaking

SUNDAY – June 25

9:00–9:30 Guided tour of the Armed Forces Academy

9:30–11:00 **Introduction to the concept of security**

Richard Turcsanyi, Director, STRATPOL

11:00–11:30 Coffee break

11:30–13:00 **European Security Environment and Policies**

Petr Bátor, Head of Security Policy Division Office of the President of the Slovak Republic

13:00–14:00 Lunch

14:00–15:30 **NATO's role in a changing security environment**

Matthew Rhodes, Director of Programs in Central and Southeast Europe, George C. Marshall European Center for Security Studies in Garmisch-Partenkirchen

15:30–16:00 Coffee break

16:00–17:30 **NATO Public Diplomacy**

Petr Luňák, Deputy Section Head, Engagements, NATO Public Diplomacy Division

MONDAY – June 26

9:00–10:30 **Central Europe and NATO – Current issues**

Robert Ondrejcsák, State Secretary / Deputy Minister of Defence, Slovakia

10:30–11:00 Coffee break

- 11:00–12:00 Keynote speech – **U.S. Ambassador to Slovakia Adam Sterling**
- 12:00–13:00 **Black Sea Region: Security Perspectives and Challenges**
Maryna Vorotnyuk, Associate Fellow, STRATPOL
- 13:00–14:00 Lunch
- 14:00–15:30 **NATO strategic communications in times of hybrid threats**
Miroslav Mizera, Special Adviser to Deputy Minister of Defence, Slovakia
- 15:30–16:00 Coffee break
- 16:00–17:30 **Development of U.S. Foreign Policy towards CEE region**
Dušan Fischer, Research Fellow, Head of the International Security Program, Slovak Foreign Policy Association

TUESDAY – June 27

- 9:00–10:30 **Radicalisation and home-grown terrorism**
Orsolya Rácz, Analyst, Global Risk Insight
- 10:30–11:00 Coffee break
- 11:00–12:30 **Security issues and emerging threats in the cyber domain: State perspective**
Ondřej Rojčík, Head of Strategic Information and Analysis Unit, Czech National Cyber Security Centre
- 12:30–14:00 Lunch
- 14:00–15:30 **Current Turkish politics home and abroad: Security, migration and the EU**
Lucia Yar, Senior Editor, EurActiv.sk
- 15:30–16:00 Coffee break
- 16:00–17:30 **Foreign fighters, Battle charities and volunteers**
Pavol Kosnáč, Independent scholar, Bratislava, Slovakia

WEDNESDAY – June 28

- 9:00–12:30 **Interactive conflict management simulation I.**
Interactive conflict management simulation solving a hypothetical crisis in the Western Balkans. Under the guidance of Ondřej Zacha, Research Fellow, STRATPOL and Samuel Žilinčík, STRATPOL intern.

- 12:30–14:00 Lunch
- 14:00–15:30 **Interactive conflict management simulation II.**
- 15:30–16:00 Coffee break
- 16:00–17:30 **Security strategy – Theory and practice in Slovakia**
Elmír Nečej, Senior Fellow, STRATPOL

THURSDAY – June 29

- 9:00–10:30 **Prodefence organisations in territorial defence of Poland**
Przemysław Wywiał, Institute of Security and Citizen Education,
Pedagogical University, Cracow
- 10:30–11:00 Coffee break
- 11:00–12:30 **Pro-Russian far-right actors and Russian soft power in V4 and Austria**
Győri Lóránt, Geopolitical Analyst, Political Capital
- 12:30–14:00 Lunch
- 14:00–15:30 **NATO Force Integration Unit Slovakia – history, role and tasks**
Col. Jozef Zekucia, Commander, NATO Force Integration Unit Slovakia
- 15:30–16:00 Coffee break
- 16:00–17:30 **Oxford-style Debate Competition**
Debating the current biggest threat to NATO

FRIDAY – June 30

All-day study visit to Slovak Air Force Base in Sliach

Tour of the base, static presentation of MiG-29 fighter jets, presentation about NATINEADS

Visit to UNESCO World Heritage site - Vlkolínec

SATURDAY – July 1

Departure day

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