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## **MONDAY, AUGUST 09**

# 9.00—10.30 Threats for NATO from the East Petr Pavel

General Petr Pavel started his career as a platoon leader in the Special purpose airborne reconnaissance team from 1983 to 1985. He later served as a Military Intelligence officer before being appointed Commander of the Special Forces Brigade in 1997. From 1999 to 2002 he served as Aide-de-camp to the Director of Operations of NATO's Regional Command North in Brunssum, the Netherlands. He then shortly served as National Military Representative in US CENTCOM Tampa, USA, and in US CENTCOM Forward in Qatar. From 2003 to 2005 he held the post of Deputy Joint Force Commander after which he became the Deputy Director of MoD Ops Division and then Director of Operations Branch. In the following years, he held representative posts in the EU and SHAPE in Belgium. He was Chief of the General Staff of the Armed Forces of the Czech Republic from 2012 to 2014 and was promoted to the rank of General in 2014. From 2015 to 2018 he was Chairman of the NATO Military Committee.

Gen. Pavel holds a Master's in international relations from King's College, London. He has been awarded several Czech and Foreign decorations and awards including a Medal for Heroism, a French War Cross with a Bronze Star, and the grade of Officier de la Légion d'honneur.

## 10.30—12.00 Energy Security

Václav Bartuška (Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic)

Václav Bartuška is Ambassador-at-Large for Energy Security, Czech Republic since 2006. He directly reports to the Foreign Minister, dealing with a wide range of issues, from oil and gas supplies to energy strategy. During the gas dispute between Russia and Ukraine in January 2009, when the Czech Republic held the EU Presidency, he was involved in negotiations with Russian, Ukrainian, and EU leadership. In 2010, he was also appointed by the Czech government as Commissioner for expansion of the Temelín nuclear power plant, one of the biggest nuclear tenders in European history. Additionally, Mr. Bartuška has taught modern history and security studies at New York University, Prague campus since 2003.

#### 12:00—14:00 Lunch Break

#### 14.00—16.00 Disinformation Campaigns

Jonáš Syrovátka (Prague Security Studies Institute)

Jonáš Syrovátka is a Program Manager at PSSI, working primarily on projects concerning Russian influence activities in the Czech Republic. He holds a Master's degree in Political Science and International Relations from the Masaryk University in Brno. During his undergraduate studies, he focused on the development of the Russian political system and its history.

# **TUESDAY, AUGUST 10**

# 9.00—10.30 Use of Satellites for Defense and Intelligence Purposes

Ladislav Stahl (Ministry of Defense of the Czech Republic)

Colonel Ladislav Stahl is a graduate of the Military Academy in Brno, Charles University in Prague and CEVRO Institute. He has acted as the director of the Satellite Center Czech Republic (SATCEN CR) since 2018. He previously held leading and analytical positions related to imaging and remote Earth observation from the defense perspective. He took part in several military operations abroad. He worked for the EU, namely in the Operations Division of the European Union Satellite Centre for three years. Mr. Stahl currently serves as the director of Space Technologies Expert Section on the Board for Research, Development and Innovations at the Ministry of Defense of the Czech Republic.

# 10.30—12.00 Russian Foreign Policy Tools

Dr. Pal Dunay (George C. Marshall European Center for Security Studies)

Pál Dunay received an LL.M in Law and Political Science from the Loránd Eötvös University Budapest in 1982, a so-called Dr. Universitatis degree in Public International Law in 1991 from the same university, and a Ph.D. in international relations from the Budapest University of Economics in 2001 each with "summa cum laude." He was a legal advisor of the Hungarian Delegation to the Conventional Forces in Europe talks, Deputy Director of the Hungarian Institute of International Affairs, course director of the International Training Course in Security Policy at the Geneva Centre for Security Policy. Subsequently, he was Senior Researcher at the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI), he reopened and directed the Hungarian Institute of International Affairs until his return to Geneva. Later on, he was Director of the Organization for Security Cooperation in Europe's Academy in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan. Pál Dunay's research interest extends to various issues of European security with an emphasis on East-central Europe and Eastern Europe, Central Asia, the OSCE, the legality of the use of force, and integration and disintegration in the post-Soviet space.

## 12:00—14:00 Lunch Break

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# **TUESDAY, AUGUST 10**

14.00—16.00 Sharing the Burdens of European Security: Case of the Western Balkans Hotbed Jan Šnaidauf (Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic)

> Jan Šnaidauf has directed Policy Planning and Strategy at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic since November 2020. He served as Chief Advisor to the Foreign Minister between 2018–2020. Previously, he headed the Political and Economic Section of the EU Delegation to Bosnia and Herzegovina. Earlier he dealt with the Middle East at the European External Action Service, which followed on from his assignment to the Policy Unit of EU High Representatives J. Solana and C. Ashton. Before that, Mr. Šnaidauf worked for President Vaclav Havel's Forum 2000 Foundation as well as the Association for International Affairs, Prague. Mr. Šnaidauf has lectured at several universities in Prague and the French Sciences–Po. He used to be frequently featured as a media commentator and published a number of papers and articles. Jan graduated from SOAS London, as well as from Charles University Prague. He also studied in Cairo, Berlin and Washington D.C.

# WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 11

# 9.00—10.30 Today's and Tomorrow's National Security Threats and How to Tackle Them Elisabeth Braw (American Enterprise Institute)

Elisabeth Braw is currently Resident Fellow at the American Enterprise Institute. In the past she was the Director of RUSI's Modern Deterrence project, which focused on how governments, business and civil society can work together to strengthen countries' defence against existing and emerging threats. Prior to RUSI, she worked at Control Risks following a career as a journalist where she reported from the United States, Germany, Italy and other countries. She remains a contributor to The Wall Street Journal, the Financial Times, Foreign Policy, the Times and the Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung, focusing on European defence and security, and frequently speaks at conferences.

# 10.30—12.00 Future Challenges of Cyber Security

Luboš Přikryl (National Cyber and Information Security Agency)

Luboš Přikryl is an EDT (Emerging Disruptive Technologies) analyst of Strategic Information and Analyses Unit at National Cyber and Information Security Agency (NÚKIB) of the Czech Republic. The unit is responsible for analytical and informational materials about significant attacks and trends in cyber security for both decisionmakers and Czech and foreign administrative bodies. He holds a Master's Degree from Masaryk University.

## 12:00—14:00 Lunch Break

## 14.00—16.00 Russian Activities in Cyber Space

Michal Myklín (National Cyber and Information Security Agency)

Michael Myklín is a head of Strategic Information and Analyses Unit at National Cyber and Information Security Agency (NÚKIB) of the Czech Republic. The unit is responsible for analytical and informational materials about significant attacks and trends in cyber security for decision-makers and Czech and foreign administrative bodies. He holds a Master's Degree from Masaryk University, where he is also doing his Ph.D.

# **THURSDAY, AUGUST 12**

9.00—10.30 Space Security in the Era of Great Power Competition: U.S., China, Russia Rivalry Jana Robinson (Prague Security Studies Institute)

Jana Robinson became Managing Director of the Prague Security Studies Institute (PSSI) in April 2020. She also serves as PSSI's Space Security Program Director, a post she assumed in 2015. She previously held the position of a Space Policy Officer at the European External Action Service (EEAS) in Brussels as well as a Space Security Advisor to the Czech Foreign Ministry. From 2009 to 2013, Ms. Robinson worked at the European Space Policy Institute (ESPI), seconded from the European Space Agency (ESA), leading the Institute's Space Security Research Programme. Ms. Robinson is an elected member of the International Institute of Space Law (IISL) and the International Academy of Astronautics (IAA). She is also a member of the Advisory Board of the George C. Marshall Missile Defense Project of the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS) in Washington, D.C. Ms. Robinson holds a Ph.D. in the field of space security from the Charles University's Faculty of Social Sciences, Institute of Political Studies and received two MA degrees, from George Washington University's Elliott School of International Affairs and Palacky University in Olomouc, respectively.

# 10.30—12.00 Geopolitics and the Emerging Disruptive Technologies

Tomáš Kopečný (Ministry of Defence of the Czech Republic)

Tomáš Kopečný, Deputy Minister of Defence, currently heads the Industrial Cooperation Division. Mr. Kopečný, as an expert on international industrial cooperation and defence market, is dedicated to strengthening of Czech defence industry, strategic partnerships in defence research and development, and continuous build-up of Czech defence industrial and technological base within the European defence framework. He holds an advanced MA degree (PhDr.) in Security Studies from the Faculty of Social Sciences at Charles University in Prague. As an exchange student, he also attended the McGill University in Canada and did a professional internship at NATO within the team of the Special Advisor to NATO Secretary General and the Public Diplomacy Division. His prior working experience covers various positions within the Czech Ministry of Defence ranging from the Advisor to the First Deputy Minister on Africa to Head of the Industrial Cooperation Division.

## 12:00—14:00 Lunch Break

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# **THURSDAY, AUGUST 12**

# 14.00—16.00 Foreign Investment Screening Mechanism Petr Lang

Petr Lang is a Board Member of the Prague Security Studies Institute (PSSI). He served as PSSI's Program Director from 2012 until April 2020. To date, Mr. Lang has been focusing on investment & energy security, breaking geopolitical developments and the nexus of global economics/finance/technology and national security concerns. He has also coordinated major events in a number of other policy areas (e.g missile defense, space security etc.). Prior to joining PSSI, he served as Fundraising and Human Resources Coordinator at the Forum 2000 Foundation in Prague and as the Editor at the People in Need Foundation.

# FRIDAY, AUGUST 13

# 9.00—10.30 People, Opportunities and Norwegian Interests in the Arctic – The Norwegian Government's Arctic Policy Birgitte Hygen, Kjell Kristian Egge (Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs)

Holding a Master's degree in International Relations from the University of Cambridge, Director Hygen is an experienced member of the Norwegian Foreign Service and a leading authority on Norway's High North Strategy, Polar Affairs policies and issues relating to the Svalbard archipelago. Before taking up her current position, she was posted to the Royal Norwegian Embassy in Washington as Minister Counselor.

Trained in Law, Kjell Kristian Egge has been a Norwegian career diplomat since 1995. He has held different positions in the Legal Department of the Norwegian Ministry for Foreign Affairs since 2003, presently Deputy Director General. Mr Egge has worked extensively on Law of the Sea and Arctic Issues, including heading Norwegian delegations to various United Nations and Arctic processes.

# 10.30—12.00 NATO and Financial and Economic Aspects of National Security Roger W. Robinson (Prague Security Studies Institute)

Roger W. Robinson, Jr. has served as President and CEO of RWR Advisory Group since 1985 and of the Conflict Securities Advisory Group, Inc. between 2001 and 2009. He likewise serves as Chairman and Co-founder of the Prague Security Studies Institute. Prior to forming the firms referenced above, Mr. Robinson served as Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Congressionally-mandated U.S.-China Economic and Security Review Commission for much of the time from 2001 to 2006. He also served as Senior Director of International Economic Affairs at the National Security Council (NSC) from March 1982 until September 1985. Between January 1984 and April 1985, Mr. Robinson served as Executive Secretary of the Senior Interdepartmental Group-International Economic Policy, a Cabinet-level body that reported through the NSC to the President. Prior to joining the NSC staff, Mr. Robinson was a Vice President in the International Department of the Chase Manhattan Bank in New York City. Mr. Robinson has published extensively on security-related risk in the global capital markets and East-West economic and financial relations. He has served as an expert witness on numerous occasions before both Senate and House Committees.

# 12:00—14:30 Lunch, Evaluation, Certificates, Departure