



„Creating a Sphere of Security in the Wider Central Europe: Non-military aspects of security in V4 countries - prospects for co-operation“

Date and Place: 30th March 2011, Mirror Hall of Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Prague

Programme

The aim of the conference is to focus on terrorism, radical Islam, organized crime and illicit migration and human trafficking, which have become important issues in the sphere of homeland security of the Visegrad countries. Among the crucial topics which will be tackled are the subregional cooperation of the V4 countries and the regional preferences in facing these transnational threats. One of the underlying issues will be to discuss the possibilities of enhancing the cooperation between the national and local law-enforcement agencies from the V4 countries and their neighbors in Eastern and Southern Europe.

09:00-09:30 Registration

09:30-09:40 **Conference Opening**

09:40-10:00 **Keynote Speech: August Pradetto**, Professor, Helmut Schmidt University
- University of the Federal Armed Forces Hamburg

10:00-11:30 **Session I:**

Global Terrorism and the Visegrad Cooperation in the Context of the EU Counter-Terrorism Strategy

Chair: Oldřich Bureš, Director, Department of International Relations and European Studies, Metropolitan University Prague

Czech Republic – **Jan Eichler**, Research Fellow, Institute of International Relations (IIR), Prague

Slovakia – **Ivo Samson**, Senior Researcher, Slovak Foreign Policy Association (SFPA), Bratislava

Poland – **Kacper Rekawek**, Research Fellow, Polish Institute of International Affairs (PISM), Warsaw

Hungary – **Péter Marton**, Research Fellow, Institute of International Studies, Corvinus University of Budapest

Discussion

11:30-11:45 Coffee break

11:45-13:15 Session II:

Organized Crime in the Visegrad Group countries

Chair: Jacek Durkalec, Research Fellow, PISM, Warsaw

Czech Republic – **Miroslav Nožina**, Research Fellow, IIR, Prague

Slovakia – **Miroslav Lisoň**, Police Academy, Bratislava

Poland – **Emil W. Plywaczewski**, Professor of Criminal Law and Criminology, Faculty of Law, University of Bialystok

Hungary – **Szilveszter Póczik**, Senior Researcher, National Institute of Criminology, Budapest

Discussion

13:15-14:15 Buffet lunch

14:15-15:45 Session III:

Illicit migration and human trafficking in the V4 countries and the wider Central Europe

Chair: Michal Kořan, Head of Research, IIR, Prague

Czech Republic – **Tomáš Raděj**, former Deputy Ambassador of the Czech Republic to Iraq

Slovakia – **Martina Bolečková**, Faculty of Political Sciences and International Relations, Matej Bel University Banská Bystrica

Poland – **Magdalena Lesińska**, Assistant Professor and Deputy Director, Centre of Migration Research, University of Warsaw

Hungary – **Erzsébet Rózsa**, Executive Director and Senior Researcher, Hungarian Institute of International Affairs (HIIA), Budapest

Discussion

15:45-16:00 Closing remarks

Simultaneous translation in English and Czech will be provided.

RSVP: Due to the strict entrance security procedures at the MFA building and the limited number of seats in the conference room, we kindly ask you to register to the event via the e-mail address registrace@iir.cz by Sunday 27th March 2011 at the latest.