



*Round Table*

# **NATO - EU**

Tallinn, Estonia  
March 30<sup>th</sup> - April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017



## **PROGRAMME**

### **5<sup>th</sup> NATO-EU Roundtable**

**30<sup>th</sup> March – 1<sup>st</sup> April 2017**

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## Day 1 – March 30

09:00 – 09:30

**Registration and welcome coffee**  
Parliament of Estonia (Lossi plats 1a)

Moderator:

**Emmet TUOHY**

*Senior Research Fellow, Estonian Center of Eastern Partnership*

09:30 – 09:45

**Welcoming Remarks**

**Tobias MÖRSCHEL**

*Coordinator, Friedrich Ebert Stiftung Baltic*

**Hannes HANSO**

*Chairman of the National Defence Committee of the Parliament of Estonia*

09:45 – 10:15

**Keynote Address**

**Urmas Paet**

*Member of the European Parliament, Estonia*

10:15 – 10:30

**Break**



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10:30 – 12:00

Panel I

## Basics of NATO-EU Cooperation

NATO and the EU are facing multiple threats in today's world. Cooperation between the two organizations has been discussed for a long time, but progress so far has not been remarkable. What could be the main aspects of deeper cooperation between NATO and the EU?

Moderator:

**Mike WINNERSTIG**

*Deputy Director of Research, Swedish Defence Research Agency (FOI)*

Speakers:

**Thomas MELL** *Advisor, EU Defence Policy, Estonian Ministry of Defence*

**Uwe OPTENHÖGEL**

*Director, Friedrich Ebert Stiftung EU office*

12:00 – 12:30

Coffee break



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11:40

Panel II

## Military Cooperation Between NATO and the EU

Should the EU have its own separate military command? What could be the pros and cons of creating one? Would it add extra value for NATO? How could the EU itself contribute more on defence questions? What are the main aspects in military cooperation between the two organizations?

Moderator:

**Marko KOPLIMAA**

*Deputy Director of the Policy Planning Division, Estonian Ministry of Defence*

Speakers:

**Commander Kurt ENGELEN**

*Cooperative Security Staff Officer, Belgian Military Representation to NATO*

**Lieutenant Colonel John FRICK**

*U.S. Army, Office of the Political Advisor, Joint Force Command Brunssum*

**Colonel Riho RÕNGELEP**

*Estonian Deputy Military Representative to NATO*

14:00 – 15:00

**Lunch Break**



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15:00 – 16:15

Panel III

## Countering Hybrid Threats Together

Hybrid threats are one of the key elements in the challenges both NATO and the EU face today. How can we counter these threats together? Could this be the main cooperation element between NATO and the EU? Is it necessary to have a cyber command in NATO?

Moderator: **Tomas JERMALAVIČUS**  
*Research Fellow, International Centre for Defence and Security (ICDS), Estonia*

Speakers: **Beata BIAŁY**  
*Senior Expert, Doctrine, Concept and Experimentation Branch, NATO StratCom Centre of Excellence*

**Sven SAKKOV**  
*Director, NATO Cooperative Cyber Defence Centre of Excellence, Estonia*

**Kristi RAIK**  
*Senior Research fellow, Finnish Institute of International Affairs (FIIA)*

16:20

Departures to Saka Cliff Manor (for young professionals)



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## Day 2 – March 31 Committees and NAC simulations (for young professionals)

Saka Cliff Manor

**Marko KOPLIMAA**  
*Secretary General, NAC*

**John FRICK**  
*Subcommittee chair - military*

**Emmet TUOHY**  
*Subcommittee chair - political*

**Peeter PALS**  
*Ketli Lindus – NAC and subcommittee assistants*

09:00-10:00

**General introduction to the simulation**

10:00-11:00

**NAC meeting**

11:00-11:30

**Coffee break**

11:30-13:00

**Parallel in two subcommittees (political and military)**

13:00-14:00

**Lunch Break**

14:00-16:00

**NAC meeting**

## Day 3 – April 1

08:30-11:00

**Subcommittees**

11:00-11:30

**Coffee break**

11:30-13:00

**NAC Meeting**

13:00-14:00

**Lunch Break**

14:00-14:45

**Conclusions**

15:00

**Departure to Tallinn**



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