



NATO TALK
around the BRANDENBURGER TOR
BERLIN

NATO's Future

Young Leaders Seminar
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On November 5, 2014, the **German Atlantic Association** and the **Federal Academy for Security Policy** co-host an international conference on the outcome of NATO's 2014 Wales Summit in Berlin. In this forum, which is supported by the **Press and Information Office of the Federal Government** and **NATO**, high ranking politicians, diplomats, military officials, and representatives from academia and civil society, will discuss the implementation of the summit decisions as well as future challenges to the alliance.

A key element of the conference and our efforts to broaden the scope of security debates in Germany is the Young Leaders Seminar "**NATO's Future**". In this part of the program, we invite young members of the Atlantic Treaty Association to not only listen to senior experts from their field of interest but also participate in an international exchange of ideas with their fellow YATAs (Youth Atlantic Treaty Association). We asked them to set the agenda themselves and participate in the seminar both as listeners and speakers, chairs, and discussants. As a special event, YATA Germany provides the international guests with an exclusive two-hour long walking tour through the political heart of Berlin.

In order to foster the understanding of security politics, to establish an international dialogue among the younger generation, and to connect emerging leaders from NATO member and partner countries with senior decision-makers, **YATA Germany** will host a one-day seminar on November 4, focusing on key issues of transatlantic security. In an open and competitive call for panels, the members of YATA Germany chose three topics on the basis of their ideas and expectations through the lens of NATO's future.

1. "NATO and the Quest for Energy Security"
2. "NATO and the Challenges of Cyber Space"
3. "NATO Crisis Management revisited"

To each session, senior political and military experts will be invited to discuss with the group the ideas and recommendations of young scholars and experts in the field (see the agenda at annex).

Venue:
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Outline of the Seminar

NATO, Strategic Concept 2010

“We will ensure that NATO has the full range of capabilities necessary to deter and defend against any threat to the safety and security of our populations.

Therefore, we will [...]

- 1. Develop the capacity to contribute to energy security, including protection of critical energy infrastructure and transit areas and lines, cooperation with partners, and consultations among Allies on the basis of strategic assessments and contingency planning...*
- 2. Develop further our ability to prevent, detect, defend against and recover from cyber-attacks, including by using the NATO planning process to enhance and coordinate national cyber-defence capabilities, bringing all NATO bodies under centralized cyber protection, and better integrating NATO cyber awareness, warning and response with member nations...*
- 3. Engage actively with other international actors before, during and after crises to encourage collaborative analysis, planning and conduct of activities on the ground, in order to maximize coherence and effectiveness of the overall international effort.”*

9:00 – 10:00 a.m.

Welcoming Remarks

Magdalena Kirchner
Spokeswoman of YATA Germany

The Summit in Retrospective

Eric Povel
Information Officer Afghanistan, Belgium, Germany, the Netherlands,
NATO Public Diplomacy Division

10:00 – 11:30 a.m.

NATO and the Quest for Energy Security

The topic of energy and security has gained center stage not only during the Arab Spring and the current Ukraine-Crisis. For centuries, Western countries depended on energy imports, yet U.S. Shale Gas, the German Energiewende, and new propulsion technologies may act as a game changer in the near future. Which role can and should NATO really play in securing trade routes and assist supply countries? What are the implications of Russia-Chinese relations for Moscow’s role as a supplier of energy for Europe? How can new technologies help us to secure a stable supply, what does this imply for our economy and how can the transatlantic ties help us by that?

Panelists:

Dr. Marco Overhaus
Deputy Head of Research Division "The Americas" (a.i.)
German Institute for International and Security Affairs

Dr. Julijus Grubliauskas
Energy Security Advisor
Emerging Security Challenges Division, NATO

Dr. Behrooz Abdolvand
Coordinator Caspian Region Environmental and Energy Studies
Free University Berlin

Introduction and Moderation:

Alexander Schröder, German Armed Forces
Martin Wölfel, Zeppelin University

11:30 – 1:30 p.m. **Walk around the Brandenburger Tor**

1:30 – 2:30 p.m. **Lunch at the ZDF Studio Berlin**

2:30 – 4:00 p.m. **NATO and the Challenges of Cyber Space**

Of all non-traditional threats to international security, in NATO parlance "emerging challenges", risks in the area of cyberspace are highlighted prominently on the transatlantic agenda. In June 2014, NATO defense ministers agreed on a "New and Enhanced Cyber Defence Policy" to be endorsed at the NATO Summit in Wales in September 2014. With cyber threats now a priority for the defense alliance, this conference session discusses current developments of NATO's cyber policy and capabilities. What are the key elements of this new policy and how was it discussed at the summit in light of the current crisis in the Ukraine? How can more controversial questions, i.e. Article 5 duties and the development of offensive cyber capabilities, be effectively addressed in the future?

Panelists:

Dr. Olaf Theiler
Section Head Future Analysis
Planning Office of the German Armed Forces

Prof. Dr. Wolff Heintschel von Heinegg
Chair of Public Law, especially International Law, European Law and Foreign Constitutional Law
European University Viadrina

Liina Areng
Head of International Relations
Estonian Information System Authority

Introduction and Moderation:
Alexis Below and Dr. Svenja Post
Brandenburg Institute for Society and Security

4:00 – 5:30 p.m.

NATO Crisis Management Revisited?

NATO has been involved in crisis management and peacekeeping missions for almost two decades. While the missions in the Balkans and in Afghanistan, which have been the most significant in operational terms, have underscored the need for an integration of civil and military means, comprehensive approaches have only been developed incrementally. Beyond improving the available toolbox for operations, international coordination has also become a critical factor, reflecting the more prominent role of non-NATO partners in alliance activities. The challenges that crisis management and the application of comprehensive approaches face in different mission scenarios are therefore vast. What are the lessons identified? Which tools are available to fight, for instance, corruption in the context of international crisis management? What role do and should partnerships play? Is there a need for an adjustment of NATO's approaches?

Panelists:

Dr. Stefan Oswald
Head of Division Afghanistan/Pakistan
Federal Ministry for Cooperation and Development

Tobias Hecht
Senior Project Coordinator
Transparency International Deutschland e.V.

Nicholas Williams
Head Afghanistan Team
Operations Division, NATO

Introduction and Moderation:
Sebastian Feyock
German Council on Foreign Relations