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PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

DAY 1 - MONDAY, 26 OCTOBER 2015

- 09.00-09.40 **REGISTRATION** (*Security check, Prime Minister Details*)
- 09.40-10.00 **OFFICIAL WELCOME**
Tinatin Khidasheli, Minister of Defence of Georgia
Róbert Ondrejcsák, Director, CENAA
Kakha Gogolashvili, Director of EU Studies, GFSIS
- 10.00-10.20 Special Address by *Irakli Garibashvili*, Prime Minister of Georgia;
- 10.20-10.30 **SHORT COFFEE BREAK**
- 10.30-12.00 **SESSION 1: Euro-Atlantic security: Georgia - a staunch aspirant on NATO's eastern edge**
Tinatin Khidasheli, Minister of Defence of Georgia
David Bakradze, State Minister of Georgia on European and Euro-Atlantic Integration
James Appathurai, Deputy Assistant Secretary General
Amb. Lauri Lepik, Ambassador of Estonia to NATO
Amb. Kęstutis Jankauskas, Head of EUMM to Georgia
Chaired by: *Mikheil Darchiashvili*, Former Deputy Minister of Defence, Georgia
- 12.00-13.30 **NETWORKING LUNCH**
- 13.30-15.00 **SESSION 2: Information Warfare and its Strategic Consequences**
Levan Dolidze, Ambassador, Founder and Director of Centre for Security and Development of Georgia
Liudas Zdanavičius, Lecturer, Military Academy of Latvia
Taras Mykhalniuk, Director, Open Ukraine, Arseniy Yatsenyuk Foundation, Ukraine
Amb. Giorgi Badridze, Senior Fellow, GFSIS
Arkady Moshes, Programme Director, The EUs Eastern Neighbourhood and Russia research programme, The Finish Institute of International Affairs
Chaired by: *Mirek Tóda*, Journalist, Denník N
- 15.00-15.30 **COFFEE BREAK**

15.30-17.00 SESSION 3: NATO and its Partners before the Warsaw Summit 2016

Nodar Kharshiladze, Senior Fellow, GFSIS, Georgia

Grigoriy Perepelytsia, Director, Foreign Policy Institute, Ukrainian Diplomatic Academy

Marijus Velička, Vice Minister of National Defence of the Republic of Lithuania

Alexandre Maisuradze, Ambassador of Georgia to NATO

Daniel Ioniță, State Secretary of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Romania

Chaired by: *Peter Bátor*, Adviser to the President of Slovakia

17.00-17.30 COFFEE BREAK

20.00-22.00 GALA DINNER (*upon separate invitations only*)

SPECIAL DINNER KEYNOTE SPEECH

DAY 2 - TUESDAY, 27 OCTOBER 2015

09.00-09.20 SCSF KEYNOTE

David Usupashvili, Chairman of the Parliament of Georgia

09.20-10.50 SESSION 4: Hybrid Warfare and its Implications for NATO Members and Partners

Col. Omar Begoidze, Deputy Chief of General Staff, Georgia

Ivan Jestřáb, Junior Deputy Minister - Political Director, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic

Dr. Ariel Cohen, Senior Fellow, the Atlantic Council and Director, Center for Energy, Natural Resources and Geopolitics at the Institute for the Analysis of Global Security

Brigadier General Matt Brand (Ret), former Deputy Chief of Staff Strategic Plans and Policy, NATO Allied Command Transformation

Richard Weitz, Director and Senior Fellow, Center for Political-Military Analysis, Hudson Institute

Chaired by: *James C. O'Brien*, Vice Chair, Albright Stonebridge Group;

10.50-11.10 COFFEE BREAK

11.10-12.40 **SESSION 5: Black Sea - Military Balance and Cooperation**

Tornike Sharashenidze, GIPA, Georgia

Hanna Shelest, Editor in Chief, Ukraine Analytica, Ukraine

Richard Giragosian, Director, Regional Studies Center Foundation (RSC), Armenia

Sergey Utkin, Head of Department, Centre for Situation Analysis (CSA), Russian Academy of Sciences

Iulian Chifu, former advisor to Romanian President

Luke Coffey, Margaret Thatcher Fellow; The Davis Institute for National Security and Foreign Policy at The Heritage Foundation

Kamal Namig og. Makili-Aliyev, Leading Research Fellow, Foreign Policy Analysis Department, Center for Strategic Studies under the president of the Republic of Azerbaijan

Chaired by: *Michael Cecire*, Associate Scholar, Foreign Policy Research Institute

12.40-14.10 NETWORKING LUNCH

14.10-15.40 **SESSION 6: Changes in the Middle East: ISIS and Beyond**

Mate Szalai, Institute for Foreign Affairs and Trade, Hungary

Cuneyt Gurer, Chief of Migration Management and Foreigners Service Department of Sivas Provincial Police, Turkey

David Chochua, expert on terrorism, Director, Department of Americas, MFA of Georgia

Mr. Josip Brkić, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of Bosnia and Herzegovina;

Chaired by: *Tengiz Pkhaladze*, Georgian President Giorgi Margvelashvili's adviser for foreign relations

15.40-16.10 COFFEE BREAK

16.10-17.40 **SESSION 7: Ukraine Crisis Challenging Europe's Security Architecture: Threat of the Domino effect?**

Oleksandr Lytvynenko, Deputy Secretary of the National Security and Defence Council of Ukraine

Aurel Fondos, State Secretary of the Ministry of Defense of the Republic of Moldova

Roman Jakic, Former Minister of Defence of Slovenia

Andreas Peschke, Ambassador, Director for Eastern Europe, the Caucasus and Central Asia, Federal Foreign Office, Federal Republic of Germany

Lincoln Mitchell, Scholar, Arnold A. Saltzman Institute of War and Peace
Studies, Columbia University

Róbert Ondrejcsák, Director, CENAA

Chaired by: *Brooks Tigner*, Jane's Defence Weekly

17.40-18.00 **CLOSING REMARKS AND SUMMARY**

Tinatin Khidasheli, Minister of Defence of Georgia

Róbert Ondrejcsák, Director, CENAA

Kakha Gogolashvili, Director of EU Studies, GFSIS

18.20-18.50 **CLOSED SESSION WITH JOURNALISTS**

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