Understanding threats – Explaining threat perceptions

The 7th event of the *Central European Perspectives* workshop series

Workshop Program

Date: December 08, 2016 (Thursday)

Venue: Ludovika Residence Hall, Multimedia rooms C&D, Orczy út 1. 1083 Budapest, Hungary

08:15-08:50	Registration
08:50-08:55	Welcome remarks: Gen. (ret.) Prof. Zoltán Szenes, Faculty of International and European Studies, National University of Public Service, Budapest, Hungary
08:55-09:00	Kick-off remarks: Tamás Csiki , Center for Strategic and Defense Studies, National University of Public Service, Budapest, Hungary
09:00-10:30	Session I: Threats and threat perceptions I.
	Moderator: Annamária Kiss, Central European University, Center for European Neighborhood Studies, Budapest, Hungary Panelists (15-20 minutes each):
	Baltic states: Henrik Praks , International Center for Defense and Security, Tallinn, Estonia
	Ukraine: Dr. Maksym Yakovlyev , National University of "Kyiv- Mohyla Academy", School for Policy Analysis, Kyiv, Ukraine
	Moldova: Dr. Aurelian Lavric, Centre for Strategic Studies of Defense and Security, Armed Forces Military Academy "Alexandru cel Bun", Chisinau, Moldova
	Romania: Dr. Alexandra Sarcinschi , Center for Defence and Security Strategic Studies, "Carol I." National Defense University, Bucharest, Romania
10:30-10:45	Coffee break
10:45-12:15	Session II: Threats and threat perceptions II.
	Moderator: Gábor Csizmazia , Faculty of International and European Studies, National University of Public Service, Budapest, Hungary
	Panelists (15-20 minutes each):
	Poland: Mateusz Krupczyński , Centre for Strategic Analysis and Policy, Warsaw, Poland

Czech Republic: Lukáš Dyčka , Department of Security Studies and Analyses, Center for Security and Military Strategic Studies, Jniversity of Defence, Brno, Czech Republic
Slovakia: Juraj Krúpa , Slovak Security Policy Institute, Bratislava, Slovakia
Hungary: Alex Etl , Center for Strategic and Defense Studies, National University of Public Service, Budapest, Hungary
Coffee break
Session III: Threats and threat perceptions III.
Moderator: Zoltán Egeresi, National University of Public Service
Panelists (15-20 minutes each):
Serbia: Bojan Elek , Belgrade Centre for Security Policy, Belgrade, Serbia
Austria: Dr. Arnold Kammel, Austria Institute for European Security, Vienna, Austria
Lunch
Germany in the mirror: views and reflections – Roundtable discussion
Participants:
András Hettyey, Faculty of International and European Studies, National University of Public Service, Budapest, Hungary
Dr. Kai-Olaf Lang , Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik (SWP)
Anna Tamási , research fellow, Institute for Foreign Affairs and Frade (IFAT)

The 7th event of the Central European Perspectives workshop series focuses on the subjective perception and objective content of the threats and challenges that Central European countries face. These can be accounted for as a result of Russia's resurgent great power stance, long-term effects of the economic crisis, the direct and indirect challenge of mass migration flows and the increased potential of terrorism. As public opinion polls suggest, Central European societies seem to perceive such threats to a significant extent, even though their exposure to them is different. Participants of the workshop are to explore the patterns and their underlying causes in a comparative manner.

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