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Military Mobility Symposium

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Master of Ceremony: Daniel Fiott, Security and Defence Editor, European Union Institute for Security Studies		
07:30	Registration & coffee	
08:45	Opening speech by Krasimir Karakachanov, <i>Minister of Defence, Bulgaria</i>	
09:00	Setting the scene speech by Ank Bijleveld, Minister of Defence, The Netherlands	
09:15	"EU-NATO cooperation on Military Mobility" by Rose Gottemoeller, Deputy Secretary General, North Atlantic Treaty Organisation	
09:30	"The US experience" by Richard Landolt, Senior Civilian Representative of the Secretary of Defence in Europe and the Defence Advisor to the U.S. Ambassador to NATO	
09:45	 PANEL 1: SYNERGIES AND COORDINATION Moderator: Lieutenant General Atanas Zapryanov (Ret.), Deputy Minister of Defence, Bulgaria Speakers: Andreja Katič, Minister of Defence, Slovenia Jussi Niinistö, Minister of Defence, Finland Ahti Kuningas, Deputy Secretary General for Transport, Estonia 	
11:00	Coffee break	
11:15	Keynote Speech by Federica Mogherini, Head of the European Defence Agency, High Representative and Vice-President of the European Commission	
12:00	Lunch	
13:30	 PANEL 2: MILITARY REQUIREMENTS Moderator: Daniel Fiott, Security and Defence Editor, European Union Institute for Security Studies Speakers: General Mikhail Kostarakos, Chairman, European Union Military Committee General Claudio Graziano, Chief of Defence, Italy General Jan Broeks, Director General International Military Staff, North Atlantic Treaty Organisation Pedro Serrano, Deputy Secretary General, European External Action Service 	
15:00	Closing speech by Jorge Domecq, Chief Executive, European Defence Agency	

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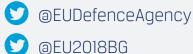
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OPENING SPEECH

Krasimir KARAKACHANOV, Minister of Defence, Bulgaria (@KKarakachanov)

Krasimir Karakachanov is the Minister of Defence and Deputy Prime Minister for Public Order and Security of Bulgaria. Prior to his appointment in May 2017, he was elected Member of Parliament in the 38th, 40th, 43rd, and 44th National Assemblies. In the 43rd Parliament, he was also Vice-President of the National Assembly.

Mr Karakachanov earned a master degree in History at Sofia University St. Kliment Ohridski in 1990, specialising in Modern Bulgarian History, Political History of the Balkan States, National Liberation Movement in Macedonia and Thrace, Political Movements in Bulgaria, and afterwards completed a threemonth training programme in Switzerland. He earned a PhD in International Law and International Relations in 2014. He is member of the Macedonian Scientific Institute in Sofia.

Mr Karakachanov worked as Director of the Macedonia weekly newspaper published in Sofia and is Chairman of the Internal Macedonian Revolutionary Organisation – Bulgarian National Movement.



SETTING THE SCENE SPEECH

Ank BIJLEVELD, Minister of Defence, The Netherlands (@MinBijleveld)

Ms Bijleveld began her career in 1986 working as a policy officer for the municipality of Hengelo. From 1989 to 2001 she was a member of the House of Representatives for the Christian Democratic Alliance (CDA) (ultimately becoming deputy parliamentary party leader). In 2001, she became mayor of Hof van Twente.

In 2007, Ms Bijleveld was appointed State Secretary for the Interior and Kingdom Relations in the fourth Balkenende government. Following the parliamentary elections in 2010 she returned to the House of Representatives for the CDA. On 1 January 2011, she took up the post of Queen's Commissioner in the province of Overijssel.

On 26 October 2017, Ank Bijleveld was appointed Minister of Defence in the third Rutte government.

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EU-NATO COOPERATION ON MILITARY MOBILITY

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Rose GOTTEMOELLER, *Deputy Secretary General*, *North Atlantic Treaty Organisation* (@Gottemoeller)

Rose Gottemoeller is the Deputy Secretary General of NATO. She took up this position in October 2016, after serving nearly five years as the Under Secretary for Arms Control and International Security at the U.S. Department of State. Prior to her formal appointment, she acted in this position from 2012 to 2014, while concurrently serving as Assistant Secretary of State for the Bureau of Arms Control, Verification and Compliance (2009-2014). In this capacity, she was the chief U.S. negotiator of the New Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty (New START) with the Russian Federation.

Ms Gottemoeller has served in a number of positions in government at the U.S. Department of Energy and on the National Security Council. She has also held positions in the think tank community including as Director of the Carnegie Moscow Center, Deputy Director of the International Institute for Strategic Studies in London, and as a social scientist at RAND. She has taught on Soviet military policy and Russian security at Georgetown University and is fluent in Russian. Ms Gottemoeller was born in Columbus, Ohio. She received a B.S. from Georgetown University, and an M.A. from George Washington University.

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Richard LANDOLT, Senior Civilian Representative of the Secretary of Defence in Europe and the Defence Advisor to the U.S. Ambassador to NATO (@USNATO)

Richard B. Landolt is the Senior Civilian Representative of the Secretary of Defence in Europe (SECDEFREPEUR) and the Defence Advisor (DEFAD) to the U.S. Ambassador to NATO. As SECDEFREPEUR, Mr Landolt is responsible for planning, recommending, coordinating, and monitoring Department of Defence (DoD) policies, programmes, and initiatives throughout Europe. As DEFAD, he is responsible for the formulation, coordination, and presentation of DoD policies to the U.S. Ambassador to NATO.

Before assuming his current position, Mr Landolt was the Executive Director, Public Safety, for the City of Mobile, Alabama. In this capacity, Mr Landolt was responsible for the Police Department, Fire Rescue Department, and Safety and Performance Department.

In 2014, Mr Landolt retired as a Rear Admiral after 32 years of service as a Surface Warfare Officer in the U.S. Navy. Richard Landolt is a native of Suffern, New York, but was raised in New Jersey and Florida. He received his commission via the Navy Reserve Officers Training Corps unit at the University of Florida where he earned a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science. He also holds a Master of Science degree in Telecommunications Systems Management from the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, California, and is a graduate of the U.S. Marine Corps Command and Staff College, Quantico, Virginia.

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PANEL 1 SYNERGIES AND COORDINATION

The first panel focuses on the national perspective on Military Mobility given that national sovereignty is a priority for Member States. It is also key to the implementation of the EU Action Plan on Military Mobility. Of equal importance is the cross-departmental and synergetic way of working at national level. Some of the key questions that will be discussed in this first panel are: experiences on the national level including shortfalls; where and how does work at the national level need to improve; and how could the EU Action Plan support this.

MODERATOR:

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Lieutenant General Atanas ZAPRYANOV (Ret.), *Deputy Minister of Defence, Bulgaria* (@EU2018BG)

Lieutenant General Atanas Zapryanov (Ret.) is Deputy Minister of Defence of Bulgaria. In the course of his military career, Lieutenant General Atanas Zapryanov has held different command and staff positions in the Signal troops of the Bulgarian army. As a senior military officer, he also held the positions of Commandant of G. S. Rakovski National Defence Academy, Deputy Chief of Staff of the Bulgarian Army for resources until 2006, and of a military representative of the Chief of General Staff at NATO military committees and the European Union (until 2010).

After joining the military reserve, he became counsellor to two political cabinets of the Minister of Defence (2010-2013 and 2015-July 2016). Since July 2016, he is Deputy Minister of Defence.

Atanas Zapryanov is a graduate in engineering, military science and warfare, as well as in strategic management of the armed forces. Lieutenant General Atanas Zapryanov (Ret.) has been awarded multiple times for excellent military service and high professional results; he was awarded a Military Merit Order, First Degree.





SPEAKERS:

Andreja KATIČ, *Minister of Defence, Slovenia* (@AndrejaKatic)

Andreja Katič is the Minister of Defence of Slovenia. She was appointed by the National Assembly of the Republic of Slovenia on 13 May 2015, following the proposal of Prime Minister Dr Miro Cerar. In the 2014 parliamentary election, she was elected to become member of the National Assembly of the Republic of Slovenia and acted as its Vice President until appointed Minister of Defence. A graduate in Law, she became Director of Municipal Administration of the Municipality of Velenje. Throughout, she participated in the work of the Association of Urban Municipalities of Slovenia and Association of Municipalities and Towns of Slovenia, where she headed the Commission for Legal and Legislative Issues for several years. She was member of the Administrative Board of the University of Maribor and the Council of the Velenje Health Care Centre (Zdravstveni dom Velenje), as well as president of the Association of Secretaries (directors of municipal administrations) of Slovenian municipalities. As a municipality representative, she sat in the supervisory board for the operations programme of the development of environmental and transport infrastructure.

Jussi NIINISTÖ, Minister of Defence, Finland (@jniinisto)

Jussi Niinistö is a politician and a military historian. Since 2011, he has been a member of the Finnish Parliament and as of May 2015 Minister of Defence of Finland. Before entering into politics, Mr. Niinistö made a distinguished career within the field of Finnish history as well as military history. He received his M.A. in 1994 and Ph.D. in 1998, both from the University of Helsinki. Jussi Niinistö is currently a member of the parliamentary group Blue Reform. He was a member of the Finns Party Parliamentary Group 2011-2017 and vice-chairman of the party 2013-2017. Prior to becoming Minister of Defence in 2015, the parliamentary career of Mr Niinistö includes serving as the chairman for the Defence Committee (2011–2015). Within local politics, he has been a member of the municipal council of Nurmijärvi between 2009 and 2015 and a member of Helsinki city council since 2017. Jussi Niinistö is a reserve officer with the rank of Senior Lieutenant.



Ahti KUNINGAS, Deputy Secretary General for Transport, Estonia (@EconMinEstonia)

Ahti Kuningas is the Deputy Secretary General for Transport of Estonia. He co-ordinates the development, implementation and surveillance of transportational development plans within the Ministry's area of government. The Deputy Secretary General is in charge of the development and implementation of operational programmes that support transportational development, emergency plans, target programmes and foreign aid projects. Before his appointment as Deputy Secretary General for Transport in 2015, Ahti Kuningas was the Deputy Secretary General for Economic Development in the Ministry of Economics and Communications from 2007 and was responsible for developing, implementing and monitoring Estonian business policy. Mr. Kuningas is the chairman of the board of Estonian Air and Enterprise Estonia. He holds a master degree in social sciences from the Faculty of Economics and Business Administration of the University of Tartu.

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KEYNOTE SPEECH

Federica MOGHERINI, Head of the European Defence Agency, High Representative and Vice-President of the European Commission (@FedericaMog)

Federica Mogherini is the Head of the European Defence Agency, High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs & Security Policy and Vice-President of the European Commission. Mrs Mogherini leads the European External Action Service and chairs meetings of EU foreign ministers. Mrs Mogherini was previously Italian Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation in Prime Minister Matteo Renzi's government in

2014. A member of the Democratic Party, she was first elected to the Chamber of Deputies in 2008, then re-elected in 2013. In August 2013, she was elected Chair of the Italian Delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly of NATO. She also coordinated the Inter-Parliamentary Group for Development Cooperation. Mrs Mogherini is a member of the Istituto Affari Internazionali (IAI), the Council for the United States and Italy and a fellow of the German Marshall Fund of the United States.

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PANEL 2 MILITARY REQUIREMENTS

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The second panel focuses on military requirements to implement actions included in the EU Action Plan on Military Mobility. The panel addresses national, EU and NATO perspectives as well as how the EU Action Plan is aiming to translate these different perspectives into concrete outputs. To ensure a smooth and swift movement of assets and personnel across Europe, not only the needs of Member States' armed forces but also the requirements for coherence between the EU and NATO must be taken into account.

MODERATOR:

Daniel FIOTT, Security and Defence Editor, European Union Institute for Security Studies (@DanielFiott)

Daniel Fiott is Security and Defence Editor at the EU Institute for Security Studies (EUISS), a position he has held since 2016. At the EUISS, he analyses European defence policy and defence industrial issues. Since 2017, Mr Fiott has been a visiting lecturer at the Free University of Brussels (VUB) and the Brussels School of International Relations, University of Kent. From 2012-2016, he served as a researcher at the Institute for European Studies at the VUB. At the VUB, he analysed and lectured on various aspects of European security, including defence industrial issues more specifically. From 2014-2016, he served as a fellow of the Research Foundation – Flanders (FWO). Before this time, he held positions with think tanks and the private sector. Mr Fiott is regularly invited to lecture at defence colleges and universities across Europe, and he is widely published in leading journals on European defence matters. Mr Fiott was educated at the University of Cambridge and he holds a PhD from the Free University of Brussels.



SPEAKERS:

General Mikhail KOSTARAKOS, *Chairman, European Union Military Committee* (@Kostarakos)

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General Mikhail Kostarakos is the Chairman of the European Union Military Committee. He graduated from the Hellenic Military Academy in 1978 as 2nd Lieutenant in the Artillery and commanded combat units of both Field and Air Defence Artillery (HAWK Missile system). As General Officer, he commanded the Brigade level Command at CHIOS island, a Mechanised Infantry Division and the C' Army Corps and NATO Deployable Corps Greece. He was assigned Chief of the Hellenic National Defence General Staff from 2011 to 2015. The EU Foreign Affairs Council appointed him as the Chairman of the Military Committee effective from 06 November 2015.

General Kostarakos holds a Political Science degree from the Law Faculty of the University of Athens and a Master of Science in "Diplomatic and Strategic Studies".

General Claudio GRAZIANO, Chief of Defence, Italy (#GenGraziano @Sm_Difesa)

General Claudio Graziano is currently the Italian Chief of Defence. Upon completion of his military education in 1974 and after several promotions, deployments to Mozambique (Operation UNOMOZ) and Afghanistan (NATO ISAF), he was reassigned to Army General Staff as Chief Plans and Policy Office, responsible for the modernisation of the Italian Army. In 2001, he was posted to Washington D.C, as Military Attaché. From February 2007 to January 2010, Major General Graziano led the UN mission UNIFIL in Lebanon. Following his promotion to Lieutenant General, he was appointed Chief of Cabinet of the Minister of Defence on February 2010. In 2011, he was appointed Chief of Staff of the Italian Army. In 2015, he was promoted to General and assumed the role of Chief of the Italian Defence General Staff.

A graduate of Italian Army Staff College and United States Army War College in Carlisle, General Graziano holds two BAs – one in Strategic Military Studies from the University of Turin and one in Diplomatic Sciences from the University of Trieste –, and two master degrees, one in Human Sciences from the Catholic University in Rome and one in Strategic Military Sciences.

General Jan BROEKS, Director General International Military Staff, North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (@BroeksJan)

Lieutenant General Jan Broeks studied at the Royal Military Academy in Breda for 4 years from 1977. After numerous promotions over the next decades, postings to Lebanon and Kosovo, graduation from the General Staff College, studies at the Army Command and Staff College at Camberley in the UK, he was appointed Deputy Director Plans at the Netherlands Defence Staff and promoted to Major General in 2010.

In April 2013, he assumed the position of Military Representative of the Netherlands to the Military Committees of NATO and the EU and was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant General. In July 2016, he became the Director General International Military Staff.





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Pedro SERRANO, *Deputy Secretary General, European External Action Service* (@eu_eeas)

Pedro Serrano is Deputy Secretary General for Common Security and Defence Policy and Crisis Response at the European External Action Service, a position he has held since November 2015. Previously he served as Managing Director a.i. and Principal Adviser for Crisis Response and Operational Coordination to the Secretary General of the EEAS. He also advised the Cabinet of the President of the European Council as Principal Adviser. Mr Serrano was the first to head the EU Delegation at the United Nations, New York, after the entry into force of the Lisbon Treaty. He has been active in the field of CSDP since 2000, including by heading the Directorate for Civilian Crisis Management at the General Secretariat of the Council. Prior to joining the EU, Pedro Serrano served as a Spanish diplomat.

CLOSING SPEECH

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Jorge DOMECQ, *Chief Executive, European Defence Agency* (#Domecq @EUDefenceAgency)

Jorge Domecq is Chief Executive of the European Defence Agency. Prior to his appointment in February 2015, Mr Domecq, a senior Spanish diplomat, served as Ambassador and Permanent Representative to the Organisation for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) and as Ambassador to the Republic of the Philippines. Since the start of his diplomatic career in 1985, Mr Domecq has held several positions with the Spanish Ministry of Foreign Affairs, among others Director General for United Nations, Global Affairs and Human Rights, and Director General for Multilateral Affairs. He was also Director of the Private Office of the NATO Secretary General and Diplomatic Adviser to the Spanish Minister of Defence.

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