OSCE Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe

OSCE SECURITY DAYS
Vienna, 25 June 2012

Annotated Agenda

The OSCE Security Days will be held ahead of the 2012 Annual Security Review Conference, with the aim of strengthening interaction between the OSCE and relevant Track II initiatives on Euro-Atlantic and Eurasian security; providing a platform for the discussion of fresh ideas and approaches to security; and linking the contributions that both traditional diplomacy and civil society can make to working towards a Security Community.

Themes relevant to the building of a Security Community will be discussed during the event. These will include the need to tackle security challenges through cooperative tools and to promote trust, dialogue and reconciliation.

With eminent speakers from academic institutions and other elements of civil society, the OSCE Security Days will provide a forum for open debate, encouraging valuable intellectual input for the 2012 Annual Security Review Conference.

This Annotated Agenda is designed to guide participants through the conference's discussions, pointing them to important issues for each of the sessions. The questions are not comprehensive and participants should feel free to add to them, or to challenge their presumptions.

MONDAY, 25 JUNE

08:30 - 09:00   **Informal welcome and coffee** - *Hofburg, 2ⁿᵈ floor cafeteria*

09:00 - 09:30   **Opening session –** *Hofburg, Neuer Saal*

Welcome addresses*:*
Lamberto Zannier, Secretary General, OSCE
Eoin O'Leary, Chairman, OSCE Permanent Council, Permanent Representative of Ireland to the OSCE.
Wolfgang Schüssel, President, Foreign Policy and United Nations Association of Austria (ÖGAVN).

09:30 – 11:00   **Session I -** *Shaping a Security Community: thematic and geographic issues within a comprehensive security agenda.*

In the "Astana Commemorative Declaration: Towards a Security Community", participating States acknowledged that more should be done to implement the OSCE core principles and commitments undertaken in the three dimensions. During the Lithuanian Chairmanship substantial efforts were undertaken to implement the tasking set by participating States at the Summit. The Irish Chairmanship, building on these efforts has initiated the *Helsinki + 40 process*. What are the major problems facing the Euro-Atlantic Eurasian Security Community? What should policy-makers look at when shaping a Security Community? The first session of the 2012 OSCE Security Days aims at identifying the main topics to be included in a comprehensive and balanced security agenda, keeping in mind the geopolitical landscape and the new threats to security.

Moderator:
István Gyarmati, Professor, President of the Center for Democracy Public Foundation (DEMKK).

Panellists:
Heather Conley, Director and Senior fellow, Europe Programme, Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS).
Igor Yurgens, Director, Institut Sovremenogo Razvitiya (INSOR).
Alyson Bailes, Professor, University of Iceland in Reykjavik.
Emil Tsenkov, Senior Fellow, Centre for the Study of Democracy (SCD).

11:00 – 11:15   **Coffee Break**

11:15 – 12:45   **Session II -** *Shaping a Security Community: addressing emerging global challenges. Developing a new approach to conventional arms control?*

If, on the one hand, the emergence of asymmetric security threats requires developing new and creative cooperative approaches, on the other hand, conventional arms control and confidence and security-building regimes remain major instruments for military predictability and transparency. Which are the new global challenges that OSCE is currently facing and how can we effectively deal with them? To what extent and how should the OSCE revitalize conventional arms control? What other tools should be developed to address global challenges, and how can the OSCE contribute? These are just some of the key questions to be addressed by the participants of the second session in order to develop some policy proposals on two key aspects of a Security Community.

Moderator:
Adam Kobieracki, Director, OSCE Conflict Prevention Centre

Panellists:
Steven Pifer, Director, Brookings Arms Control Initiative and Senior Adviser, Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS)
Adam Rotfeld, Co-Chairman of the Polish-Russian Working Group on Difficult Matters, Polish Institute of International Affairs (PISM)
Vincenzo Camporini, Vice-President, Istituto Affari Internazionali (IAI)
Daniel Möckli, Head, Strategic Trends Analysis, Center for Security Studies (CSS).

12:45 - 14:00   **Lunch –** *Hofburg, 2ⁿᵈ floor cafeteria*

14:00 - 15:30   **Session III -** *Towards Reconciliation: addressing the protracted conflicts and revitalising dialogue.*

The third session will be centred on dialogue as the key vehicle for political processes within the OSCE. Is dialogue in the current format an effective tool to address the security concerns of participating States? Is there still a need to promote reconciliation within the OSCE? Are the current conflict resolution mechanisms effective? Confidence building measures that aim to build trust between divided communities are a crucial tool for building a lasting Security Community. In this session, participants will be free to formulate policy proposals on dialogue and conflict resolution for further consideration by OSCE participating States.

Moderator:
Janez Lenarčič, Director, OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR)

Panellists:
Erwan Fouéré, Special Representative of the OSCE Chairperson-in-Office for the Transdniestrian settlement process.
Kai Eide, former UN Special Representative for Afghanistan and Head of the UN Mission in Afghanistan (UNAMA).
Aleksandr Nikitin, Director, Center for Euro-Atlantic Security, Moscow State Institute of International Relations (MGIMO)
Jonathan Sisson, Regional Dealing with the Past Adviser for the West Balkans and Caucasus, Swiss FDFA

15:30 - 16:00   **Coffee break**

16:00 - 17:30   **Session IV** - *Towards Reconciliation: a new vision for the OSCE?*

In this concluding session participants should analyse the potential way forward when it comes to implementing the Astana vision of building a free, democratic, common and indivisible Euro-Atlantic Eurasian Security Community. Such a Security Community would have to be crafted around inclusive reconciliation processes, common values and shared interests. Looking back at the Charters of Paris (1990) and Istanbul (1999), is there a need for a new fundamental document or for a new security framework for the OSCE? The *Helsinki + 40* process will try to answer this question in a transparent manner, focussing pragmatically on those areas where the OSCE can do more and better (so-called "building blocks"). This session would also offer the speakers an opportunity to revisit the previous panels' debates and draw some conference conclusions.

Moderator:
Lamberto Zannier, Secretary General, OSCE

Panellists:
Wolfgang Zellner, Head of Centre for OSCE Research (CORE)
Andrei Zagorski, Leading researcher and Professor, Moscow State Institute of International Relations (MGIMO)
François-Xavier de Donnea, Head of the Belgian delegation to the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly and Minister of State, Belgium
Daniel Serwer, Scholar, Middle East Institute and Professor, School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS)