



OSCE Security Days

Revitalizing Trust and Co-operation in Europe:
Lessons of the Paris Charter

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Agenda

09:45 – 10:45 Welcome and Keynote remarks:

Ambassador Tuula Yrjölä, OSCE Officer in Charge/SG

Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic, Tomáš Petříček

Minister of Foreign and European Affairs of the Slovak Republic, Ivan Korčok

Ambassador Igli Hasani, Chairperson of the Permanent Council

10:45 – 12:00 **Session 1: The Paris Charter as an inspiration: Highlights and turning points of the negotiations, which lead to the unprecedented convergence between East and West**

Moderator: **Ambassador Christine Fages**, Head of the Permanent Mission of France

Video Messages:

- **James A. Baker, III**, Former U.S. Secretary of State and White House Chief of Staff under President George H. W. Bush
- **Ambassador Wolfgang Friedrich Ischinger**, Chair of the Munich Security Conference (was part of the German delegation at the Paris Summit)

Panel:

- **Dr. Angela Romano**, Lecturer in International Political Economy, University of Glasgow
- **Ambassador Dana Huňátová**, Former Director General of the Executive Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Czechoslovakia (1989-1992)
- **Katarzyna Gardapkhadze**, First Deputy Director of the OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR) / alternate to the Director

Questions that may be addressed:

- What were the highlights and turning points of the negotiations? Which were the windows of opportunities that created the unprecedented convergence between East and West, and what happened to it?
- What lessons for the current European security discussions could be drawn from good practices in the statecraft and multilateral diplomatic dialogue that produced the Paris Charter in 1990?

- How can we enhance mutual understanding about different historical interpretations in the future?
- How did the OSCE evolve since then and what are the achievements?
- What have been the strengths and weaknesses of the OSCE institutional framework that the participating States began to erect through decisions embodied in the Paris Charter?
- What positive role have OSCE structures played in helping participating States to implement their commitments and build co-operative security, and what factors have limited the work of these structures in carrying out their mandates?

12:00 – 12:15 *Break*

12:15 – 13:30 **Session 2: The future of comprehensive and co-operative security in the OSCE area, three decades after the Paris Charter**

Moderator: **Ambassador Igli Hasani**, Chair of the Permanent Council of the OSCE

- **Ambassador Lamberto Zannier**, Former Secretary General of the OSCE and former High Commissioner on National Minorities of the OSCE
- **Dr. Reinhard Krumm**, Head Office Friedrich Ebert Stiftung ROCPE
- **Dr. Andrey Kortunov**, Director General Russian International Affairs Council
- **Heather Mann**, OSCE Perspectives 20-30 Core Group of Experts, University of Oxford

Questions that may be addressed:

- In which areas have participating States most successfully implemented the commitments they undertook in the Paris Charter across all three dimensions of security?
- What have been the most serious challenges and obstacles to implementation of commitments, including those that may not have been foreseen in 1990?
- How is it possible to make sure that the current situation does not permanently endure, and that we return to real cooperative security in Europe in the future?
- What questions raised and findings by security policy experts will help to chart the way forward?

13:30 – 14:30 *Lunch break*

14:30 – 15:45 **Session 3: Lessons learned, best practices and future perspectives**

Moderator: **Ambassador Tobias Lorentzson**, Deputy Head of the Permanent Mission of Sweden

- **Kristian Vigenin**, Vice-President of the OSCE PA and Vice-President of the National Assembly of the Republic of Bulgaria
 - **Dr. Svetlana Savranskaya**, Director of Russia programs at the National Security Archive, George Washington University
 - **Dr. Wolfgang Zellner**, Senior Research Fellow at the Institute for Peace Research and Security Policy at the University of Hamburg (IFSH), Former Head of the Centre for OSCE Research (CORE)
- The final session will reflect on future perspectives and recommendations on how to increase mutual trust and engage on dialogues that are forward-oriented.

15:50 – 16:00 **Conclusion: Ambassador Luca Fratini**, Director of the Office of the Secretary General