



## DEFENCE FORUM 2023

07. April 2023 | hotel Double Tree by Hilton – Skopje

10.00-10.30

### OPENING ADDRESSES

**Slavjanka Petrovska**

Minister of Defence of the Republic of North Macedonia

**Angela P. Aggeler**

Ambassador of the United States of America to the Republic of North Macedonia

**Jens Stoltenberg**

NATO Secretary General (video address)

### WELCOMING ADDRESSES

**Daniel Braun**

Director of the Konrad Adenauer Foundation in the Republic of North Macedonia

**Verica Mileska Stefanovska**

President of the Republic of North Macedonia Chamber for Private Security

Moderator: Prof. Marjan Gjurovski, PhD

10.45-12.00

### GEOPOLITICAL EVENTS REGARDING THE NEW SECURITY ARCHITECTURE AND REGIONAL COOPERATION

### PANEL I:

**Prof. Matthew Rhodes, Rhodes, PhD**

George C. Marshall European Center for Security Studies, FR Germany

**Prof. Veton Latifi, PhD**

South East European (SEE) University

**Ruslan Stefanov**

Program Director, Center for Democratic Studies, Bulgaria

Moderator: Prof. Nenad Markovic, PhD

12.00-12.15 COFFEE BREAK



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<b>12.20-13.15</b>	<b>PANEL II</b>
<b>CRISIS PREVENTION AND RESPONSE - FUTURE CHALLENGES OF NATO MEMBER COUNTRIES</b>	<p><b>Prof. Robert Mikac, PhD</b> Faculty of Political Sciences, Zagreb, Republic of Croatia</p> <p><b>Prof. Fritz Rademacher, PhD (online)</b> George C. Marshall European Center for Security Studies, FR Germany</p> <p><b>Bekim Maksuti</b> Director of Protection and Rescue Directorate, Republic of North Macedonia</p> <p><b>Stojanche Angelov</b> Director of Crisis Management Center, Republic of North Macedonia</p>
<b>Moderator: Assoc. Prof. Vesna Poposka, PhD Candidate</b>	

<b>13.20-14.00</b>	<b>PANEL III</b>
<b>THE PLACE AND ROLE OF THE ARMY – FUTURE DEVELOPMENT AND PRIORITIES</b>	<p><b>Lieutenant Colonel General Vasko Gjurchinovski</b> Chief of General Staff of the Army of the Republic of North Macedonia</p> <p><b>Prof. Trajan Gocevski, PhD</b> Retired Professor, former Defence Minister</p> <p><b>Brigadier General Besnik Emini</b> Army of the Republic of North Macedonia</p>
<b>Moderator: Kristina Atovska</b>	

**14.00-14.45 LUNCH BUFFET**





<b>14.45-15.45</b>	<b>PANEL IV</b>
<b>THE ROLE OF CIVIL SOCIETY IN BUILDING RESILIENCE</b>	<p><b>Emir Hasanovic</b> Institute for Strategic Dialogue</p> <p><b>Vlado Gerdevski</b> Geneva Center for Security Sector Governance</p> <p><b>Dimitar Nikolovski</b> Eurothink</p> <p><b>Meral Musli Tajroska</b> President of Pleiades</p> <p><b>Jan Cingel (online)</b> Strategic Analysis, Slovak Republic</p>
<b>Moderator: Ismet Ramadani</b>	

<b>15.50-16.45</b>	<b>PANEL V</b>
<b>PRIVATE SECURITY AND DEFENCE - THE SECURITY SYSTEM - FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES AND COOPERATION</b>	<p><b>Prof. Jasmin Ahic (video address)</b> Faculty of Criminalistics, Criminology and Security - Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina</p> <p><b>Prof. Aleksandra Deanovska, PhD</b> Faculty of Law-Skopje</p> <p><b>Prof. Dr. Oliver Bakreski</b> Institute for Security, Defence and Peace at the Faculty of Philosophy-Skopje</p>
<b>Moderator: Sanja Kermetchieva, Chamber of Private Security</b>	

**16.45-17.00 CLOSING OF THE DEFENCE FORUM**

