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## Hybrid Threats and Resilience of Society, Critical Infrastructure and the State - Making Society and Critical Infrastructure Resilient

7-8 October 2022, Hotel Sheraton, Zagreb, Croatia

### PROGRAM

#### Day 0: Thursday, October 6, 2022

20:00 – Dinner for Speakers, Panel Chairs, and Guests of Honour (Invitation only)

#### Friday, October 7, 2022

**08:30 – 09:00 Arrivals and Registration**

**09:00- 09:30**

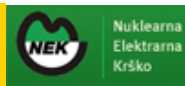
#### **Opening Ceremony**

- **Assist.Prof. Gordan Akrap**, Hybrid Warfare Research Institute, Zagreb
- **Prof.Dr. Shlomo Shpiro**, Bar Ilan University, Ramat Gan
- **Mr. Holger Haibach**, Head of the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung Office in Zagreb
- **Lt. General Mate Pađen**, Commandant of the Croatian Defence Academy "Dr. Franjo Tuđman"

**09:30- 11:00**

#### **Keynote Speakers – Transatlantic Cooperation and new Security Architecture**

- **Konrad Adenauer Stiftung**
- **Embassy of the USA in Croatia**
- **NATO**
- **Mrs. Dubravka Šuica**, Vice-President (2019-2024) of European Commission for Democracy and Demography (tbc)
- **Mr. Andrej Plenković**, President of the Government of the Republic of Croatia (tbc)



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**11:00-11:15 Coffee Break**

**11:15-13:00 Panel I: Hybrid Threats, NATO, and national case studies**

**Chair: General (ret., OF-9) Mirko Šundov, PhD**

**National Case Study I-1 - Canada**

**National Case Study I-2 - Finland**

**National Case Study I-3 - UK**

**National Case Study I-4 - Sweden**

**13:00-14:00 Lunch (one non-alcoholic beverage included)**

**14:00-15:45 Panel II: Hybrid Warfare in East Europe – joint Lithuanian-Ukrainian panel  
of national military academies**

**Chair: Assist.Prof. Gordan Akrap, Neil Chuka**

**Military academy of Ukraine:** Joined operation as the main form of countering Russian hybrid aggression

**Military academy of Lithuania:** Total defence/whole of the government approach: the analysis or initial steps: Lithuania 2021

**Military academy of Ukraine:** Influence operations as part of a hybrid war against Ukraine and the West

**Military academy of Lithuania:** Societal resilience as the important factor in whole of the government/total defence framework: Lithuania 2021.

**(This panel papers will be updated according to the present situation and best lessons learned examples)**

**15:45-16:00 Coffee Break**



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**16:00-17:50 Panel III: Hybrid Threats, NATO, and national case studies**

**Chair: Prof.Dr. John Nomikos, RIEAS, Athens, Greece**

**National Case Study III-1 - Latvia**

**National Case Study III-2 - Kosovo**

**National Case Study III-3 - Lithuania**

**National Case Study III-4 – Israel**

**18:00-19:15: Panel IV: Hybrid Threats in a Regional Context**

**Chair: Prof.Dr.Shlomo Shpiro, Bar Ilan University, Ramat Gan, Israel**

**Ljubomir Filipović, Analyst, Montenegro:** Russian and Serbian Influence Operations in, and against, Montenegro

**Dr. Whitney Grespin, Institute for Future Conflict, US Air Force Academy:** Countering Malicious Aspects of Hybrid warfare in the Horn of Africa: Priorities Emanating from the IGAD Centre of Excellence for PCVE (Preventing and Countering Violent Extremism)

**Dr. Ephraim Lapid, The Europa Institute, Bar-Ilan University, Ramat - Gan, Israel:** Israeli Intelligence Jointness: Present and future challenges

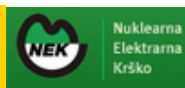
**Dr. Vira Ratsiborynska, Adjunct professor on NATO and transatlantic approaches to security, Free University of Brussels (VUB):** Disinformation, Misinformation, and use of propaganda (Case study on Russia)

**20:15 - Networking dinner for all Forum participants (two non-alcoholic beverages included)**

**Day 2: Saturday, October 8, 2022**

**10:00-11:40 Panel V: Hybrid Threats, NATO, and national case studies**

**Chair: Neil Chuka, Ministry of Defence, Canada**



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## National Case Study II-1 - Ukraine

## National Case Study II-2 – Czech Republic

## National Case Study II-3 - Croatia

## National Case Study II-4

### 11:50-13:00 Panel VI: Smart Critical Infrastructure Protection and Hybrid Threats

**Chair: Hrvoje Sagrak, INFODOM, Croatia**

**David Vaandrager & Prof.Dr. Gilliam de Valk, University of Leiden:** System analysis, a horizon scan of factors – related to globalisation, interstate competition, climate, and economy – posing a threat to the critical infrastructure

**Naval Lieutenant Teun van de Ven, M.A. & Prof.Dr. Sebastiaan Rietjens, Netherlands Defence Academy:** Warning for hybrid threats: the role of sensemaking

**Prof.Dr. Artur Gruszczak, Chair of National Security, Jagiellonian University, Krakow:** “Resilience Dividend” and the Mitigation of Hybrid Threats: Lessons Learnt and Recommendations

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**13:00-14:15 Lunch (one non-alcoholic beverage included)**

### 14:15-15:30 Panel VII: Young Researchers and Hybrid Threats Resiliency

**Chair: ir. Yvan de Mesmaeker, ECSA, Belgium**

**Eleni Kapsokoli, University of Piraeus:** Electoral interference in the EU: Regulating technology to protect democracy

**Amelia Tomalska, University of Warsaw:** Critical infrastructure in the twilight zone

**Mislav Novaković, University of Zagreb:** Regional security: Bosnia and Herzegovina

**15:30-15:45**



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## Forum Conclusions - Future Challenges, Joint Responses

*Co-chairs: Assist.Prof. Gordan Akrap, Prof. Dr. Shlomo Shpiro,*

*The aim of this session is to integrate the lessons learned from the individual presentations of the previous two days, both in terms of threat analysis and of networked responses. Furthermore, this session will facilitate a wider discussion on the needs for joint capacity building, intensive interoperability, and mutual multi-level crisis assistance.*

### End of the Forum

#### Important information:

1. Forum is organised according to pandemic situation in a hybrid way – “in situ” and online
2. Forum has the highest possible epidemiological standards. Entrance to the Forum area will be allowed only for persons with valid EU Digital COVID 19 certificates, with our ID accreditations and after temperature checking.
3. Every activity (conference halls, restaurants, coffee breaks, rooms) are going to be organised in a Hotel due to the disease prevention.
4. Forum organisers are reserving the right to change the Program according to the necessities.



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