

International conference on

Current Security Threats

A conference focusing on selected military, security and foreign policy issues takes place under the auspices of MP PhDr. Pavel Žáček, Ph.D.



Schedule 20.11.2018

9.00 am— Military and Political Aspects of Current Threats

arm. gen. Petr Pavel, former Chairman of the NATO Military Committee

Dr Petr Luňák, deputy director of Public Diplomacy Division NATO

Václav Bartuška, Special Envoy of the Czech Republic on Energy Security Issues

10.45 am . - Hybrid and Information Warfare

gen. Karel Řehka, Deputy Commander of the Multinational Division North East

brig. gen. Jan Beroun, Director of Military Intelligence

Dušan Navrátil, director of National Cyber and Information Security Agency (NÚKIB)

2.00 pm. – Euro-Atlantic Cooperation European defence

genpor. Ben Hodges, former commander of the US Army in Europe

James Nixey, Head of the Russia and Eurasia Programme, Chatham House

Tomáš Pojar, vice-rector at CEVRO Institute

3.30 pm. – Security Aspects of Current Threats

col. Michal Koudelka/Ladislav Štícha, Security Information Service (BIS)

Marek Šimandl, Director of the Office for Foreign Relations and Information (ÚZSI)

Andrew Foxall, director of the Russia and Eurasia Studies Centre, Henry Jackson Society

col. Vladimír Šibor, Director of the Special Activities Unit



arm. gen. Ing. Petr Pavel, M.A. (b. 1961)

Military and Political Aspects of Current Threats

Army General Petr Pavel served as Chairman of the NATO Military Committee between 2015 and 2018. He began his military career at the Air Force troops, gradually becoming the Special Forces Commander, Deputy and then Chief of the General Staff of the Army of the Czech Republic. In addition, he represented the Czech Armed Forces in international and national joint staffs, at the US Headquarters and the Czech Republic Representation for SHAPE in Mons, Belgium.



doc. PhDr. Petr Luňák (b. 1966)

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Petr Luňák is Deputy Head of the NATO Public Diplomacy Division. Before joining the NATO Secretariat, he served as Deputy Director of the Department for Policy Planning of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic. He graduated from John Hopkins University and taught at the Charles University in Prague. He specializes in the Cold War era and was the co-investigator of the project "Paralelní historie NATO a Varšavské smlouvy".



Mgr. Václav Bartuška (b. 1968) Military and Political Aspects of Current Threats

Václav Bartuška has been the Ambassador for Energy Security since 2006. Among other things, he is also the author of the book *Polojasno*, which discusses his experience at the CSF Commission for the Supervision of Investigation of the events of November 17 1989. Since 2003, he has been teaching modern history and security studies at New York University in Prague.



brig. gen. Ing. Karel Řehka (b. 1975)

Hybrid and information warfare

Brigadier General Karel Řehka is deputy commander of the Multinational Division North East in Elblong, Poland. In the years 2014 - 2017 he headed the Special Forces Directorate of the Ministry of Defense, before that he was the commander of the 601st Special Forces Group. In this capacity, he also served as commander of the Special Forces Task Force of ISAF in Afghanistan. He is the author of the book *Informační válka*, he has participated in the publication of *Na Rozhraní* or *Povaha změny*.



brig. gen. Ing. Jan Beroun (b. 1962)

Hybrid and information warfare

Brigadier General Jan Beroun has been serving as Director of Military Intelligence since 2014. From 2011 to 2014, he was the director and managing director of PINKERTON CR. From 2004 to 2008, he worked as Deputy Director of the Office for Foreign Relations and Information (ÚZSI). Prior to working with the Czech Police, he participated, among other things, in the establishment of a police witness protection unit.



Dušan Navrátil (b. 1955)

Hybrid and information warfare

Dušan Navrátil is the Director of the National Cyber and Information Security Agency (NÚKIB) last year. Between 2006 and 2017, he was the director of the National Security Authority (NBU), in which he pushed through the establishment of the National Cyber Security Center (NCK). He is a graduate of the Faculty of Civil Engineering of the Technical University in Brno, in the 1990s he was a deputy of the PS PČR.



Lt. Gen. Frederick B. Hodges M.S. (b. 1958)

Euro-Atlantic Cooperation European defence

Lieutenant General Frederick B. Hodges is Pershing Chair in Strategic Studies at the Center for European Policy Analysis in Frankfurt am Main. In 2014-2017, he was the commander of the US Army Europe (USAREUR). He served on several missions in Iraq (including Operation Iraqi Freedom), as Deputy Director of US Army Legislation at the Ministry of Defense, later also in Afghanistan, where he served, among other things, as director of Operations, Regional Command South.



James Nixey (b. 1975)

Euro-Atlantic Cooperation European defence

James Nixey is the head of the Russia and Eurasia Programme of London's Chatham House. He specializes in relations between Russia and other post-Soviet states. He has worked on books like *Putin Again: Implications for Russia and the West* or *America's Role in a Changed World*.



Tomáš Pojar, M.A. (b. 1973)

Euro-Atlantic Cooperation European defence

Tomáš Pojar is the Vice-Rector of the CEVRO Institute for Foreign Relations and Further Education. From 2010 to 2014, he was the Ambassador of the Czech Republic to Israel, from 2006 to 2010, he was Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs for security affairs, EU affairs and bilateral relations with European states. Prior to that, he was the of People in Need for 10 years. Tomas Pojar graduated from the FSV UK in Prague, also studied at IDC Herzliya.



plk. Ing. Michal Koudelka (b. 1965)
Security Aspects of Current Threats

Colonel Michal Koudelka has been the Director of the Security Information Service (BIS) since 2016, where he has served as the Director of the Counter-Espionage since 2006. He has served in the intelligence service since April 1992, when he joined the Federal Security Information Service.



Bc. Ladislav Štícha (b. 1974) Security Aspects of Current Threats

Ladislav Šticha is the press spokesman of the Security Information Service (BIS). Between 2004 and 2017 he was the press spokesman for the Military Intelligence. In the past, he served as a spokesman for the Ministry of Defense or as head of the Czech Television press service.



Dr Andrew Foxall Msc DPhil (b.)Security Aspects of Current Threats

Dr. Andrew Foxall is the director of the Russia and Eurasia Studies Centre Henry Jackson. After finishing his doctorate at Oxford University, he focused his research on economic, political and security trends in Russia and the former Soviet Union. He is the author of the book *Ethnic Relations in Post-Soviet Russia*.



Mgr. Marek Šimandl, MPA (b. 1970)
Security Aspects of Current Threats

Since September 2018, Marek Šimandl is the Director of the Office for Foreign Relations and Information (ÚZSI). From 2017 to 2018 he served as Deputy of the National Cyber and Information Security Agency, before working with the National Security Authority and the Security Information Service (BIS). He graduated from the University of West Bohemia in Pilsen and the Security and Crisis Management at the CEVRO Institute.



plk. Ing. Vladimír Šibor (b. 1970) Security Aspects of Current Threats

Vladimír Šibor is the Director of the Special Activities Unit (UZČ) for the sixth year of the Criminal Police and Investigation Services of the Czech Police. After joining the Special Technical Department in 1995, he rose up through the basic positions to the post of Deputy Director of Management to the position of Director of UZČ. He graduated from the Military Academy in Brno.