

#### Casimir Pulaski Foundation

#### **NATO** Ballistic Missile Defence 2016

### 6th July 2016 | Sofitel Hotel, Ul. Królewska 11, Warsaw



Proliferation of ballistic missile technologies poses an increasing threat to the NATO member states, their territories and population. Nowadays, over 30 countries, including North Korea and Iran, have, or are acquiring, advanced ballistic missile technology. Moreover, rising tensions between NATO and the Russian Federation make the Alliance's Eastern Flank Member States concerned about their defence and deterrence capabilities against missile and air-breathing threats.

At the NATO summit in Wales, the North Atlantic Council announced that Warsaw on 8-9 July will become a centre for discussion on the main directions of the Alliance's policies and the possibilities of its adjusting to the quickly changing international security environment. In July the heads of states and governments of the 28 Member States of the Alliance as well as partner countries will come to Poland to attend the NATO Summit in

Warsaw. In our opinion it is the most proper time to discuss also ballistic threats and required solutions for the Alliance.

The main aim of NATO Ballistic Missile Defence Conference 2016 is to discuss challenges and needs of the Alliance in the area of Missile Defence. The second goal of the conference is to gather experiences of the NATO's allies of Poland and other states (e.g. Japan, Israel) in terms of designing and implementing their Air and Missile Defence Systems and examine solutions for Wisła and Narew programmes available to Poland.

Ballistic Missile threats require a multi-dimensional discussions on both political and military level. To meet this need the NATO Ballistic Missile Defence Conference 2016 will be comprised of three thematic panels, which will be attended by decision-makers, representatives of ministries of defence of the NATO member states, military commanders, experts and representatives of the private sector.

#### **AGENDA**

09.00 - 9.30	Registration
09.30 - 10.00	Opening speech
	Zbigniew Pisarski – President of Casimir Pulaski Foundation
10.00 – 11.30	Panel I   NATO Ballistic Missile – why do we need it?
	Although the Alliance declares the aim of a NATO Missile Defence capability is to provide coverage and protection
	for all NATO European member states against the threats posed by the proliferation of ballistic missiles, controversies
	about it current shape are emerging. On the one hand, after the Iran Nuclear Deal, the threat of unexpected missile
	attack from Middle East seems to diminish, on the other, modernisation of Russian missile force, violation of INF
	treaty by Moscow as well as increasingly aggressive rhetoric in the NATO-Russia relations cause concerns. It should
	make us ask question if NATO BMD can respond current threats?

- Lt. Gen. (ret.) Patrick O'Reilly fmr. Director of the US Missile Defense Agency, Senior Fellow at Atlantic Council, the USA
- Lt. Gen. (ret.) Friedrich Ploeger, fmr. Deputy Commander of NATO's Allied Air Command Ramstein, Germany
- Glen Howard President of the Jamestown Foundation, the USA
- Prof. Stanisław Koziej Head of National Security Bureau (2010-2015), Senior Fellow of Casimir Pulaski Foundation, Poland

Moderator: Zbigniew Pisarski - President of Casimir Pulaski Foundation

#### 11.30 - 12.00

#### Coffee break

#### 12.00 - 13.30

#### Panel II | Missile Defence systems over the world – what can we learn?

As proliferation of BM technologies advance, more countries all over the world have to deal with missile threats. Under the shadow of hostile missiles populations of countries like Israel, Japan, India, South Korea or Taiwan live. This is why these states have built their Missile Defence systems for many years. What NATO and Poland can learn from them. This question will be asked in the second panel.

- Uzi Rubin The Begin-Sadat Center for Strategic Studies, Israel
- Tom Karako Center for Strategic & International Studies, the USA
- Lt. Gen. Tsai-Mai Tien fmr. Deputy Director of Department of Integrated Assessment,
  Ministry of National Defense of the Republic of China, fmr. Deputy Chief of Staff of the
  ROC Air Force and fmr. Director of Air & Missile Defense Office, Taiwan
  Moderator: Maciej Kowalski Research Fellow of Casimir Pulaski Foundation

#### 13.30 - 14.30

#### Lunch

#### 14:30-16:00

#### Panel III | Wisła and Narew - Polish input to NATO BMD

The strategic area that has been neglected for many years is the Polish air defence system. Until now, the core of the Polish weaponry against the air attack has been based on Soviet rocket missile systems. After many years of neglect, the MoD planners as well as the policy-makers realized that further delay of the technical modernization in these areas is no longer possible. As a result, from 2018 Polish Air Forces are expected to obtain 8 batteries of medium range ballistic missile defence system WISLA, which are capable of hitting aircraft targets from a distance of 100 km and ballistic missile targets with a range of 1000 km. The program also includes, among others, obtaining short range BMDS NAREW for the Air Defence Forces and the Land Forces.

In this panel we would like to discuss main challenges for Wisła and Narew programmes as well as opportunities for the Polish Armed Forces connected with their new capabilities.

- Michał Jach President of the Commision of National Defence, Poland
- **Gen. bryg. Stefan Mordacz** Head of Air and Missile Defence Unit of General Command of Branches of Armed Forces, Poland
- Gen. broni Waldemar Skrzypczak Undresecretary of State, Ministry of Defence (2012-2013), Poland
- Płk Tomasz Jakusz Head of Procurement and Development of Air and Missile Defence Unit of General Command of Branches of Armed Forces, Poland
- Hans Christian Hagen Kongsberg, Norway
   Moderator: Jerzy Aleksandrowicz legal counselor, specializinig in defence and aerospace

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