

« EU and Russia: what is the new reality? »

6-7 October 2016

Thon Hotel EU

Brussels Rue de la Loi/Wetstraat 75

12.30–13.30 Registration and welcome sandwiches

13.30–14.00 Welcoming remarks

Speaker:

Vygaudas Usackas, European Union Ambassador to the Russian Federation

Vladimir Chizhov, Ambassador, Head of the Russian Mission to the EU

Igor Ivanov RIAC President, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Russia (1998-2004)

Antonio Missiroli, Director of the European Union Institute for Security Studies

14.00–15.30 Russia-EU relations: way forward

Moderator:

Vygaudas Usackas, European Union Ambassador to the Russian Federation

Keynote speaker:

Thomas Mayr-Harting, Managing Director for Europe and Central Asia in the European Union External Action Service

Issues for Discussion:

- *EU Global Strategy, how does it respond to the interests of both sides*
- *EU's five guiding principles concerning Russia*
- *Selective formats of EU-Russia engagement including people-to-people cooperation*

15.30-15.50 Coffee Break

15.50 –18.00 Concluding discussions on policy recommendations

(Closed session only for EU-Russia network experts to attend)

Moderators:

Nicu Popescu, European Union Institute for Security Studies

Andrey Kortunov, Russian International Affairs Council

Issues for Discussion:

- *What should be the further engagement between EU and Russia*

19.00-21.00 Dinner; continuation of discussions on policy recommendations

Venue: L'atelier Restaurant, rue Franklin B-1000 Brussels

Moderator:

Vygaudas Usackas, European Union Ambassador to the Russian Federation

Friday, 7 October

09.00 – 10.00 Wrap-up, next steps, feedback

Speakers:

Andrey Kortunov, Director General, Russian International Affairs Council

Vygaudas Usackas, European Union Ambassador to the Russian Federation

- *Feedback from participants*
- *Publicity of meetings reports and outcomes of discussions*
- *Rules and tools for future interaction, next meeting*



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EU-Russia Expert Network Participants:

1. **Per CARLSEN**, Former Ambassador, currently at Baltic Development Forum Denmark
2. **Robert COOPER**, Former Adviser to Javier Solana and Catherine Ashton, London
3. **Alain DELETROZ**, Geneva Center for Security Policy, Brussels
4. **Nicolas DE PEDRO**, Barcelona Center for International Affairs, Barcelona
5. **Thanos DOKOS**, Hellenic Foundation for European and Foreign Policy, Athens
6. **Michael EMERSON**, Center for European Policy studies, Brussels
7. **Michal MAKOCKI**, Mercator Institute for China Studies, Berlin
8. **James NIXEY**, Royal Institute of International Relations Chatham house, London
9. **Nicu POPESCU**, European Union Institute for Security Studies, Paris
10. **Stanislav SECRIERU**, Open Society European Policy Institute, Brussels
11. **Margarita SESELGYTE**, Vilnius University, Vilnius
12. **Eugeniusz SMOLAR**, Senior Fellow, the Centre for International Relations, Warsaw
13. **Andris SPRŪDS**, Latvian Institute for International Affairs, Riga
14. **Pierre- Emmanuel THOMANN**, President/founder EUROCONTINENT, Brussels
15. **Tony VAN DER TOGT**, Netherlands Institute of International Relations Clingendael
Amsterdam
16. **Fredrik WESSLAU**, European Council on Foreign Relations, Brussels
17. **Antonio MISSIROLI**, Director of the European Union Institute for Security Studies
18. **Oleksiy HARAN**, Academic Director, Democratic Initiatives Foundation, National University of
Kyiv-Mohyla Academy, Kiev
19. **Alexandr AKSENENOK**, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Russian
Federation, RIAC member

20. **Dmitry DANILOV**, Head of the Department of European Security, Institute of Europe, Russian Academy of Sciences
21. **Mark ENTIN**, Head of the Department of European Law, MGIMO-University; Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Russian Federation to the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg (2012-2016)
22. **Natalia EVTIKHEVICH**, Program Manager, Russian International Affairs Council
23. **Igor IVANOV**, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Russia (1998-2004); President, Russian International Affairs Council
24. **Nikolay KAVESHNIKOV**, Head of Integration Processes Department, MGIMO-University; Leading Research Fellow, Institute of Europe, Russian Academy of Sciences
25. **Andrey KORTUNOV**, Director General, Russian International Affairs Council
26. **Sergey KULIK**, Director for International Development at the Institute for Contemporary Development
27. **Boris KUZNETSOV**, Director of the Centre of International and Regional Policy
28. **Tatiana ROMANOVA**, Associate Professor, School of International Relations, St. Petersburg University, Jean Monnet Chair
29. **Maksim SAMORUKOV**, Deputy Editor of Carnegie.ru
30. **Ivan TIMOFEEV**, Director of Programs, Russian International Affairs Council
31. **Sergey UTKIN**, Head of Strategic Assessment Section, Primakov Institute of World Economy and International Relations, Russian Academy of Sciences

External Participants:

- 32. **Vygaudas USACKAS**, European Union Ambassador to the Russian Federation
- 33. **H.E. Mr. Vladimir CHIZHOV**, Ambassador, Head of the Russian Mission to the EU
- 34. **Luc DEVIGNE**, Director for Russia, Eastern Partnership, Central Asia and OSCE, EEAS
- 35. **Fernando ANDRESEN GUIMARAES**, Head of Russia Division, EEAS
- 36. **Alfredo CONTE**, Head of Strategic Planning, EEAS
- 37. **Dirk SCHUEBEL**, Head of Division for Eastern Partnership Bilateral, EEAS
- 38. **Giles PORTMAN**, Head of the task force EAST Strategic Communication, EEAS
- 39. **Jane AMILHAT**, Deputy Head of Unit for Russia, Ukraine, Western Balkans EFTA, EEA and Turkey – DG TRADE, European Commission
- 40. **Carl HARTZELL**, Member of the Cabinet of the President of the European Council
- 41. **Petteri VUORIMAKI**, Senior Russia Expert, Russia Division, EEAS
- 42. **Eva HORELOVA**, Desk Officer for Syria, EEAS
- 43. **Monika BYLAITE**, Desk Officer Russia Division, Coordination of EU-Russia Political Relations, EEAS
- 44. **Shahin EGHRAHGI**, INTCEN Expert
- 45. **Jutta POMOELL-SEGUROLLA**, Programme Manager, Foreign Policy Instruments
- 46. **Jon KYST**, Strategic Communications and Russia, EEAS
- 47. **Erlendas GRIGOROVIC**, DG ENER, EEAS
- 48. **Marek BEKERMANN**, Team Leader, EU project on EU- Russia think tanks collaboration
- 49. **Jens SIEGERT**, Team Leader, EU Policy and Outreach Partnership Project
- 50. **Luca BIANCONI**, Desk Officer Russia Division, Cross Border Cooperation, EEAS
- 51. **Anna KILAN-LIPKA**, Policy Officer Russia Division, EEAS
- 52. **Kadri PARIS**, EEAS
- 53. **Sergey KOPYRKIN**, Deputy Head of Mission
- 54. **Alexander GUSAROV**, Counsellor