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CONFERENCE OVERVIEW

We are delighted to announce the 14th edition of Future Forces Forum 2022 Conference, taking place on 19 October 2022.

" The World we face - EU as a stronger security provider "

The security of the Euro-Atlantic states is one of the priorities of the Czech Republic during current Czech EU Presidency. Therefore, FFF 2022, within the framework of the accompanying program, wants to contribute to the ongoing discussion on this topic and to broaden the awareness of the cooperation between the Alliance and the EU on the field of EU's Common Security and Defense Policy (CSDP)

During the opening panel, leading security experts will discuss the evolution of the security environment up to 2030 and the implications of the conclusions of the adopted EU Strategic Compass and NATO New Security Concept, key strategic documents on the development of armed forces capabilities. In addition to military and security issues, we will also focus on the use and implementation of emerging disruptive technologies in the process of developing military capabilities of the Armed Forces.

The invasion of Ukraine by Russian armed forces is an event that has rewritten the security paradigm of our time. NATO and the EU are facing a clear security threat at a time when we all thought that the COVID pandemic was the worst thing that could have happened to our civilization.

The EU has adopted its first ever strategic security document, the 'Strategic Compass'. In June, at the Madrid Summit, the Alliance endorsed a new NATO Strategic Concept. The convergence or elimination of duplication in the development of military capabilities of NATO and EU countries will be one of the main priorities and challenges for the future of EU and NATO leaders, when GDP growth is expected to fall, and inflation is expected to rise.

The Czech Republic is committed to increasing defense spending to the promised 2% of GDP in a much shorter timeframe than the previous government. Although this move undoubtedly has the support of the public, spending, especially defense investment spending, will be closely monitored by both the professional and lay public. The efficiency of defense investment, the use of the potential of the Czech defense industry and the effective international cooperation of the NATO and EU states will be key criteria for evaluation.

PROGRAMME

12:00 LUNCH

13.30 OPENING REMARKS

Mr. Daniel Koštoval, former Deputy Minister of Defense for Armaments

13.40 KEY NOTE

Mr. Jiří Šedivý – Director of EDA

14.00 PRIORITIES OF THE CZECH ARMED FORCE FOR THE NEXT DECADE

Major General Karel Řehka – Chief of General Staff of the Czech Armed Forces

14:20 MODERATED PANEL DISCUSSION

Mr. Jiří Šedivý

- EU military capability development
- Emerging Disruptive technology

Major General Karel Řehka

- Future Czech Armed Forces military capabilities
- Future security environment

Brigadier General (ret) Avi Bachar

- National Resilience concept

Dr. Thomas Irwin

- Joint Warfighting Concept
- Joint Force Design
- Data Center Innovation
- APEX-NET (Allies and Partners Experimentation Network)

Tomáš Karásek, Ph.D.

- NATO's strategic adaptation to Russian revisionism
- European Union in a new security environment
- Hybrid and cognitive war – major threat to our society

Col. (ret) Fabian Baxa Ph.D.

- New NATO Strategic concept – implication for Czech Armed Forces

RNDr. Jiří HYNEK

- Czech defense industry as important part of defense policy
- Effective Cooperation of EU defense industry

16.10 CLOSING REMARKS