



## OSCE Security Days

Revitalizing Trust and Co-operation in Europe:  
Lessons of the Paris Charter

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## Agenda

**09:45 – 10:45**    **Welcome and Keynote remarks:**

**Ambassador Tuula Yrjölä, OSCE Officer in Charge/SG**

**Ambassador Igli Hasani, Chairperson of the Permanent Council**

**Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic, Tomáš Petříček**

**Minister of Foreign and European Affairs of the Slovak Republic, Ivan Korčok**

**10:45 – 12:00**    **Session 1: The Paris Charter as an inspiration: Highlights and turning points of the negotiations, which lead to the unprecedented convergence between East and West**

Moderator: **Ambassador Christine Fages**, Head of Mission of the Permanent Mission of France

### **Video Messages:**

- **James A. Baker, III**, former U.S. Secretary of State and White House Chief of Staff under President George H. W. Bush
- **Ambassador Wolfgang Friedrich Ischinger**, Chair of Munich Security Conference (was part of the German delegation at the Paris Summit)

### **Panel:**

- **Dr. Angela Romano**, Lecturer in International Political Economy, University of Glasgow
- **Ambassador Dana Huňátová**, Former Head of the Office of the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic in 1990
- **Katarzyna Gardapkhadze**, First Deputy Director of the OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR) / alternate to the Director

Questions that may be addressed:

- What were the highlights and turning points of the negotiations? Which were the windows of opportunities that created the unprecedented convergence between East and West, and what happened to it?
- What lessons for the current European security discussions could be drawn from good practices in the statecraft and multilateral diplomatic dialogue that produced the Paris Charter in 1990?

- How can we enhance mutual understanding about different historical interpretations in the future?
- How did the OSCE evolve since then and what are the achievements?
- What have been the strengths and weaknesses of the OSCE institutional framework that the participating States began to erect through decisions embodied in the Paris Charter?
- What positive role have OSCE structures played in helping participating States to implement their commitments and build co-operative security, and what factors have limited the work of these structures in carrying out their mandates?

**12:00 – 12:15**    *Break*

**12:15 – 13:30**    **Session 2: The future of comprehensive and co-operative security in the OSCE area, three decades after the Paris Charter**

Moderator: **Ambassador Igli Hasani**, Chair of the Permanent Council of the OSCE

- **Ambassador Lamberto Zannier**, Former Secretary General of the OSCE and former High Commissioner on National Minorities of the OSCE
- **Dr. Reinhard Krumm**, Head Office Friedrich Ebert Stiftung ROCPE
- **Dr. Andrey Kortunov**, Director General Russian International Affairs Council
- **Heather Mann**, OSCE Perspectives 20-30 Core Group of Experts, University of Oxford

Questions that may be addressed:

- In which areas have participating States most successfully implemented the commitments they undertook in the Paris Charter across all three dimensions of security?
- What have been the most serious challenges and obstacles to implementation of commitments, including those that may not have been foreseen in 1990?
- How is it possible to make sure that the current situation does not permanently endure, and that we return to real cooperative security in Europe in the future?
- What questions raised and findings by security policy experts will help to chart the way forward?

**13:30 – 14:30**    *Lunch break*

**14:30 – 15:45**    **Session 3: Lessons learned, best practices and future perspectives**

Moderator: **Ambassador Tobias Lorentzson**, Deputy Head of the Permanent Mission of Sweden

- **Kristian Vigenin**, Vice-President of the OSCE PA and Vice-President of the National Assembly of the Republic of Bulgaria
  - **Dr. Svetlana Savranskaya**, Director of Russia programs at the National Security Archive, George Washington University
  - **Dr. Wolfgang Zellner**, Senior Research Fellow at the Institute for Peace Research and Security Policy at the University of Hamburg (IFSH), Former Head of the Centre for OSCE Research (CORE)
- The final session will reflect on future perspectives and recommendations on how to increase mutual trust and engage on dialogues that are forward-oriented.

**15:50 – 16:00**    **Conclusion: Ambassador Luca Fratini**, Director of the Office of the Secretary General