

"Building Climate Change Institutions: The Case of Environment & Security"

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The relative success of the climate change talks in Durban offer the world the opportunity to move beyond the discussion about funding and the modalities of mitigation. Whatever the outcome of the negotiations in 2015, the world now faces several decades of abrupt climate change with intense climate events. Humanity has no choice but to shape the institutions to manage the consequences of climate change on international security. The CES-IES hearing will engage military officers, think tanks and parliamentarians in a creative exercise to gather policy ideas and design today the institutions that will tomorrow manage climate security.

10:00 - Opening

- Wilfried MARTENS, *President, Centre for European Studies (CES)*
- Tom SPENCER, *Vice-Chairman, Institute for Environmental Security (IES)*
- Peter LIESE, *MEP (EPP), Member of Environment Committee*

10:15 - "It's the climate, stupid!"

Moderator: Wouter J. VEENING, *Chairman, Institute for Environmental Security*

- **"The Vulnerability of Europe"**
Cleo PASKAL, *Associate Fellow, Chatham House / Author "Global Warring"*
- **"Fast Action on Climate Change"**
Durwood ZAELKE, *President, Institute for Governance and Sustainable Development*

Comments by

- Christian KREMER, *Deputy Secretary General, EPP*
- Jason BLACKSTOCK, *Senior Fellow, Center for International Governance Innovation*

Discussion

11:15 - Coffee Break

11:30 - Submissions from the Military: Hearing

Moderator: Jamie SHEA, *Deputy Assistant Secretary-General for Emerging Security Challenges, NATO*

- Air Marshal (ret) AK SINGH, *Chairman, IES Military Advisory Council (MAC) / Director, Environment and the Armed Forces Project, Centre for Air Power Studies, New Delhi*
- Rear Admiral Neil MORISETTI, RN, *UK Government Climate and Energy Security Envoy*
- Admiral Jacques ROSIERS, *President of the Euro-Atlantic Association of Belgium*
- Andrew V. ALDER, *Chairman, IES North America on behalf of Brigadier General (ret) Wendell C. KING, US Army Command and General Staff College, USA & Major General (ret) Joseph SINGH, Guyana*

Questioning by

- Sirpa PIETIKÄINEN, *MEP (EPP), Vice Chair of IMCO Committee*
- Nirj DEVA, *MEP (ECR), Vice Chair of the Development Committee*
- Bernard SNOY, *Visiting Professor at the Institute of European Studies of the Catholic University of Louvain / Former Co-ordinator of the OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities*

Discussion

13:00 - Break

13:15 - Lunch Session: Choices for Europe

Moderator: Tom SPENCER, *IES / Chairman of the EP Foreign Affairs Committee 1997-1999*

- Laszlo CZÖVEK, *Green Energy Project Manager, European Defence Agency*
- Indrek TARAND, *MEP (Green), Member of the Subcommittee on Defence & Security*

Comments by

- Elmar BROK, *MEP (EPP), Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee 1999-2007, 2012-*
- Chris VANDEN BILCKE, *Head, Brussels Liaison Office, UNEP*
- Greg AUSTIN, *Professorial Fellow, EastWest Institute*

Discussion

14:45 - Close of the conference

- Jean-Pascal VAN YPERSELE, *Vice-Chair, Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change*
- Tomi HUHTANEN, *Director, Centre for European Studies*

15:00 - End of the conference