

Conference

Wider Black Sea Region Security and the impact on Indo-Pacific: interconnections and useful lessons

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BUCHAREST, Romania

Conference room: Palace of the Parliament, Constantin Stere Hall

Partners: Hanns Seidel Foundation Romania, Center for Conflict Prevention and Early Warning

The Wider Black Sea Region is the place where Russia choose to develop a full scale conflict against Ukraine 8 years after the annexation of Crimea, the first violent change of borders in Europe after the Cold War. The revisionism and revanchism of neo-imperial Russia is tightly followed in other parts of the World with a techtonic violent perspective like the Indo Pacific. The trends are completely interlinked since lessons learned from Ukraine could be applied in the Indo Pacific disputes and aggressive actions could be duplicated in this very area, due to the Russian-Chinese unlimited strategic partnership and the approach of autocracies all over the world in challenging the liberal-democratic rules based order.

In order to investigate pros and cons, communalities and differences, and to share experiences from aggressive neighbours, we aim at presenting the situation in the Wider Black Sea Region and the Indo Pacific that could serve as precedents and lessons learnt, good practices and inventive approaches to practical solutions in the direct behaviour of the two revisionist violent and aggressive actors, both in conventional military perspectives as in hybrid wrongdoings. The presentations will aim directly to offer alternatives and experiences related to this interference and mutual influence.

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08:30 – 09:00h	+++++ Welcome coffee and registration of the participants +++++
09:00 – 09:15h	Introductory remarks Iulian Chifu President CPC-EW Benjamin Bobbe Head of Division Central and Eastern Europe, Hanns Seidel Foundation Alex Serban Atlantic Council
09:15 – 09:30h	Statement Nicolae Ciucă President of the Senate
09:30 – 11:00h	Wider Black Sea Region. Security Landscape and current evolutions (Partner HSS) Moderator: Iulian Chifu President CPC-EW Guest speaker: Simona Cojocaru State Secretary and Chief of the Department for Defence Policy, Planning and International Relations, Ministry of National Defence Sergei Konoplyov Visiting Lecturer in Public Policy at Harvard Kennedy School Păun Rohovei Special Envoyee for Transnistria, Ukraine MFA Tengiz Pkaladze Former foreign Affairs Counsellor, Georgian President Andrei Soldatov Agentura.ru, King's College, London UK Irina Borogan Agentura.ru, King's College, London, UK Narmin Ahmadova Head of Communication Sector, Public Relations Department, Ministry of Youth and Sports, Azerbaijan Stepan Grigoryan Chairman of the Board Ia Analytical Centre on Globalisation and Regional Cooperation (ACGRC), Armenia Oazu Nantoi MP, Republic of Moldova Oleg Serebrian Vice Prime-minister for Reintegration, Republic of Moldova Vira Konstantinova European Academy of Diplomacy, UA Greg Simons Turiba University, Estonia, Sweden
11:00 – 11:30h	+++++ Coffee break +++++

11:30 – 13:00h

**Indo-Pacific Evolutions and interconnections of the two regions, war environments and democratic-autocratic rivalry
(Partner Atlantic Council)**

Moderator: Narciz Bălăsoiu | Director, CPCEW

Guest speaker: Traian Laurențiu Hristea | State Secretary for Global Affairs and Diplomatic Strategies, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Alexandru Șerban | Atlantic Council

Alex Voicu | Director, Indo-Pacific Working Group of the CPCEW

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