



European Security and Defence – remaining transat- lantic, acting more European

Planning for the Berlin Security Conference 2018 Review 2017

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Information for Speakers and Participants



Congress on European Security and Defence

2017: Europe under pressure – security and defence in unpredictable times



2016: Europe at risk – what are our answers to common threats?



2015: Euro-Atlantic Partnership – firm anchor in a turbulent world



2014: Europe's Neighbourhood – Unrest and Instability



2013: Post-Afghanistan – new requirements and opportunities for politics, the military and industry



2012: Europe and its neighbours – a common responsibility for a stable continent



Berlin Security Conference

A Congress on Security and Defence

Conference Profile

The Berlin Security Conference is one of the largest European security and defence policy events. The congress and exhibition, held every autumn since 2001 in Berlin, draw about 1 000 participants from European and non-European countries, the European institutions, and NATO. The 17th Berlin Security Conference will take place at the Vienna House Andel's Berlin on 27 and 28 November 2018.

The Berlin Security Conference is organised by the Behörden Spiegel, Germany's leading independent civil service newspaper. The event is free of any government influence. It is not supported by public budgets and is therefore at liberty to take a neutral and objective stance. The many participants appreciate this independence.

Major Subjects

European Security and Defence

The Berlin Security Conference is a forum aimed at promoting the Common Security and Defence Policy. It focuses on issues concerning the European Parliament, the Commission and the Council as well as national parliaments and ministries. The emphasis is on proposing and discussing concrete solutions aimed at improving European and transatlantic political, operational and tactical cooperation. The goal is to develop ways to mitigate the frictions caused by insufficient capabilities, inadequate standardisation, the lack of interoperability, differences in the levels of support and national restrictions.

Transatlantic Cooperation

Security in Europe must be ensured by cooperating closely with the United States while taking the requirements of the EU's and NATO's neighbours into account. Transatlantic cooperation and future security structures will therefore be a central focus of the conference. Members of the EU, NATO and OSCE contribute to the programme and participate in the Berlin Security Conferences.

The European Post-Cold War Security System

Despite the fact that there is currently considerable disagreement with the Russian Federation, Europe has become a continent of

stability and peace. NATO and the EU have substantially contributed to this success. However, the increasing tension indicates that the European Post-Cold War Security System will need to be adjusted.

Neighbourhood

The Berlin Security Conference deals with European issues of security and defence, but looks also beyond Europe's borders. Afghanistan has been the focus many times. The Middle East and Africa are areas of major concern requiring continuous attention. Neighbourhood policy is a decisive issue of security and defence.

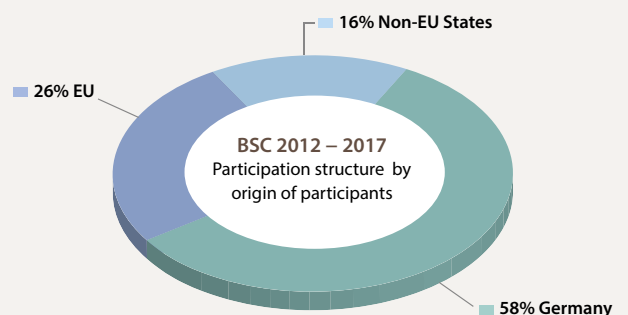
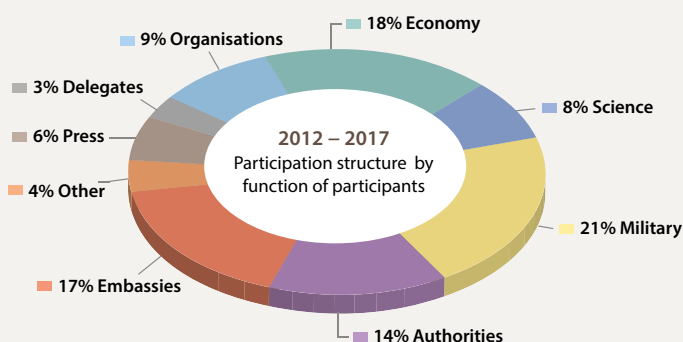
Partners

For some years now nations have been invited to become partners of the Berlin Security Conference. They contribute to the programme, participate with high-ranking delegations and organise the pre-event Reception in their embassies. Partners thus far include:

- BSC 2012: Russian Federation
- BSC 2013: United Kingdom
- BSC 2014: Turkey
- BSC 2015: United States of America
- BSC 2016: France
- BSC 2017: Sweden
- BSC 2018: Netherlands

Speakers and Participants

In addition to over 130 distinguished speakers including political, military, business and civil society leaders the conference draws an ever larger number of members of national parliaments and the European Parliament, as well representatives of the European institutions and NATO. Foreign and Defence Ministers, Ambassadors, Generals, Admirals and industry representatives see the conference as an invaluable forum for addressing a wide range of topics related to security and defence policy. Members of the armed forces, representing all ranks and a wide range of European countries and multinational staffs, as well as representatives of security organisations and industry, contribute to the lively exchange of views and hence to the success of the conference.





Berlin Security Conference at a glance

- › International forum for security and defence
- › Gathering of political and military decision-makers
- › Participants from armed forces and security organisations
- › Keynote speeches by Ministers / State Secretaries, EU Commissioners and business leaders
- › Main programme with international political, military and business leaders
- › Panel sessions with international experts
- › Exhibition with leading systems solutions manufacturers
- › Media coverage by the print press, radio and television
- › Congress languages English and German. French interpretation is also provided for the main programme.

Advisory Board

The event is supported by an Advisory Board made up of distinguished international personalities.

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CiDAN (Citizenship, Defence, Army, Nation) Association



European Security and Defence Association
Association européenne de sécurité et de défense

Industrial Partners 2017





Topics for the Berlin Security Conference 2018

General Issues

- › The EU Global Strategy (EUGS)
- › European Security and Defence Union
- › Resilience and Sustainability
- › PESCO, EDF und CARD
- › Security and Defence Cooperation
- › Framework Nations Concept
- › Strengthening relationship between NATO and the EU
- › Host Nation Support / CIMIC
- › Hybrid Defence

Security and Defence

- › Joint and Combined Armed Forces
- › EUBG, eFP, VJTF
- › Deep Integration and Adaptive Forces
- › Cyber Security / Defence
- › Multinational Air Power
- › Maritime Security
- › Joint Support in Central Europe
- › Military Mobility and Transport
- › Cross-border movements
- › Personell – the Human Factor

Technology, Research, Development and Procurement

- › Transatlantic Industrial Security and Defence Cooperation
- › Technological Revolution in the Defence Sector
- › European collaborative efforts of procurement
- › Interoperability of Armed Forces
- › Artificial Intelligence and Military Robotics
- › Digitization of land based operations
- › Future Combat Aircrafts
- › Airborne Ground Surveillance
- › Cyber Operations



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