

## NATO Advanced Research Workshop on Lessons Learned from Small Countries Committing Troops to Operations Abroad

**Bratislava, October 14 - 15, 2014**

### **Program**

**Organizer:**

Centre for European and North Atlantic Affairs (CENAA), Bratislava, Slovakia

**Partners:**

The NATO Science for Peace and Security Programme  
Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs, Slovakia

**October 14**

**10:00- 10:15 OPENING**

**Elemír Nečej**, Co-Director of the Advanced Research Workshop  
(CENAA), Senior Research Fellow

**Nodar Kharshiladze**, Senior Fellow, Georgian Foundation for Strategic  
and International Studies

**10:15 – 11:30 Panel Discussion I**

**Transformation of Armed Forces in current security environment**

***Speakers:***

**Maj. Gen. Pavel Macko**, Deputy Chief of General Staff of the Armed  
Forces of Slovak Republic

**Leonide Sikharulidze**, Former Commander of Georgian contingent in  
ISAF

**Hans Binnendijk**, Senior Fellow, Center for Transatlantic Relations, SAIS,  
Johns Hopkins University

**11:30 – 12:30 LUNCH**

**12:30 – 14:00 Panel Discussion II**

**Budgetary Consequences of Operations Abroad – Modernizations vs.  
Operational Costs**

***Speakers:***

**Tornike Sharashenidze**, Senior Fellow, Georgian Foundation for Strategic and International Studies, Georgia

**Elemír Nečej**, Senior Research Fellow, Centre for European and North Atlantic Affairs

**October 15**

**10:15 – 12:00** **Panel Discussion III**  
**Post-ISAF Period and Defence Planning**

***Speakers:***

**Peter Babiár**, Colonel, Strategic Planning, General Staff of the Slovak Republic

**Lasha Beridze**, Former Deputy Chief of Defence, Georgia

**Peter Bátor**, Head of the Political Section at Permanent Delegation of Slovakia to NATO

**12:00 – 13:00** **Lunch**

**13:00 – 15:00** **Panel Discussion IV**  
**STRATEGIC SESSION - CURRENT TRENDS OF MILITARY COOPERATION IN CENTRAL EUROPE**

***Speakers:***

**Maj. Gen. Pavel Macko**, Deputy Chief of General Staff of the Armed Forces, Slovak Republic

**Brig. Gen. Jan Dziedzic**, Deputy Chief of General Staff of Armed Forces, Poland

**Lieut. Gen. Zoltan Orosz**, Deputy Chief of General Staff of the Armed Forces, Hungary

**Beata Górka-Winter**, University of Warsaw, Poland

**15:00 – 15:15** **COFFEE BREAK**

**15:30 – 17:00** **Panel Discussion V**  
**Future Scenarios – Possible Operations and Preparation of Small States**

***Speakers:***

**Kakha Gogolashvili**, Director of EU Studies at the Georgian Foundation for Security and International Studies

**Tibor Králik**, Colonel, Strategic Planning, General Staff of the Slovak Republic

**Gen. Zurab Agladze**, Rector, National Defence Academy, Georgia

**Dalibor Pavolka**, Permanent Delegation of Slovak Republic to NATO

**Maj. Gen. Byambasuren Bayarmagnai**, Deputy Chief of Staff, Mongolia

17:00 – 17:15 **Discussion**

**Closing remarks: Commentary and recommendation for research**

***Speakers:***

**Róbert Ondrejcsák**, Director, Centre for European and North Atlantic Affairs

**Nodar Kharshiladze**, Senior Fellow, Georgian Foundation for Strategic and International Studies