



CONFERENCE

NEUTRALITY IN THE XXI CENTURY - LESSONS FOR SERBIA

1st and 2nd December 2011

ISAC Fund and Swedish Armed Forces

Location: Hotel Zira, Belgrade

Working languages: English and Serbian

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1ST

16:30-17:00 Registration of participants

17:00-17:15 Opening Address

Milan Pajević, *Chairman of the International Advisory Board of the ISAC Fund*

H.E. Christer Asp, *Ambassador of the Kingdom of Sweden in the Republic of Serbia*

17:15-17:25 Keynote Speech:

Dr Tanja Miščević, *Ministry of Defence of the Republic of Serbia*

17:25-17:35 Keynote Speech: Western view of Serbia's neutrality

H.E. Mette Kjuel Nielsen, *Ambassador of the Kingdom of Denmark in Serbia*

SESSION I: TRADITIONAL CONCEPT OF NEUTRALITY

17:35-17:50 Origins of the Concept of Neutrality

Professor Emeritus Dr. Ove Bring, *Stockholm University and the Swedish National Defence College*

17:50-18:05 European Neutral States and the Cold War

Dr. Thomas Fischer, *Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva*

18:05-18:20 Yugoslavia and Non-Aligned Movement

Dr. Dragan Bogetić, *Institute for Contemporary History in Belgrade*

18:20-18:45 Discussion

18:45 Cocktail

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2ND

9:30-10:00 Registration of participants

SESSION II: EUROPEAN NEUTRAL STATES I

10:00-10:15 Switzerland: Invention of Permanent Neutrality

Dr. Thomas Fischer, *Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva*

10:15-10:30 Non-aligned Policy and Strengthening of Cooperation
Dr. Jacob Westberg, *The Swedish National Defence College*

10:30-10:45 Discussion

SESSION III: EUROPEAN NEUTRAL STATES II

10:45-11:00 From a Buffer Zone to the EU Member State: Finland
Mr. Charly Salonijs-Pasternak, *Finnish Institute of International Affairs*

11:00-11:15 Austria's Active Neutrality
Dr. Friedhelm Frischenschlager, *Vienna Institute of the Danube Region and Central Europe*

11:15-11:30 Ireland's Modern Neutrality Model
Dr. Karen Devine, *Dublin City University*

11:30-12:00 Discussion

12:00-13:30 LUNCH

SESSION IV: POST COLD WAR SECURITY ARCHITECTURE AND THE ROLE OF NEUTRAL STATES

13:30-13:45 NATO and European Neutral States
Mr. Jiří Kyrián, *Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic*

13:45-14:00 CSDP – Genuine Framework for Cooperation
Mr. Srđan Gligorijević, *Embassy of the United Kingdom in Serbia*

14:00-14:15 Neutrality vs. Collective Security – Economic Dimension
Dr. Sandro Knezović, *Institute for International Relations, Zagreb*

14:15-14:45 Discussion

14:45-15:00 COFFEE BREAK

SESSION V: POST COLD WAR AND 9/11 WORLD AND PROSPECTS FOR NEW NEUTRALITIES

15:00-15:15 Post Cold-War Neutralities – Moldova and Turkmenistan
Mr. Dragan Štavljanin, *Radio Free Europe*

15:15-15:30 Russian View of Serbia's Neutrality
Mr. Žarko Petrović, *ISAC Fund*

15:30-15:45 Serbia's Neutrality
Dr Jovan Teokarević, *Faculty of Political Sciences, Belgrade*

15:45 Discussion and Conclusion remarks