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Venue:

UICP (Union Internationale des Chemins de Fer)
16, rue Jean Rey - 75015 Paris

Thursday, 30 October

10:00 Opening Session

10:30 Annual Speech by EU HR Javier SOLANA

12:30 Lunch

14:00 Plenary Session I – Towards a more effective global multilateral governance: how to engage new global actors?

- Global civil society; regional organisations; emerging powers
- Lessons from the financial crisis on global governance
- The US after the presidential elections (the debate on 'the league of democracies' and other proposals from the presidential candidates on foreign policy)

Chair: Nicole GNESOTTO, former Director of the EUISS, Professor of European Union Studies at the Conservatoire national des Arts et Métiers, Paris

Speakers:

- **Pierre HASSNER**, Emeritus Research Director, Centre d'Etudes et de Recherches internationales, Sciences Po, Paris
- **Nalin SURIE**, Secretary (West), Ministry of External Affairs of India, New Delhi
- **FENG Zhongping**, Professor and Director, Institute of European Studies at the China Institutes of Contemporary International Relations, Beijing
- **Robert HUTCHINGS**, Lecturer and Diplomat in Residence, Princeton University, Princeton

16:00 Coffee break

16:30 Working Groups Sessions on global issues

19:30 (held simultaneously)

How can the EU help to build a common perspective to face global issues and future challenges? Are the emergent powers and Russia making a difference in the world order? To what extent can the transatlantic link be enhanced in order to meet the whole spectrum of international challenges?

1. Interplay between regional and international security: the case of the Gulf Region

- The role of GCC countries in the stability of the region
- The impact on the Middle East of the military interventions in Afghanistan and Iraq
- Iran's potential contribution to regional security; Iran's nuclear programme and its impact on the Middle East region: how to strengthen the non-proliferation regime?

Chair: Pierre LEVY, Director, Centre d'Analyse et de Prévision, French Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Paris

Introductory remarks:

- **Gulshan DIETL**, Professor at the School of International Studies and Director of the Gulf Studies Programme, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi
- **Giacomo LUCIANI**, Director, Gulf Research Centre Foundation, Geneva

Commentators:

- **Mohamed BENAÏSSA**, former Foreign Minister of Morocco, Secretary-General, Assilah Forum Foundation
- **Ahmed Maher El SAYED**, former Egyptian Foreign Minister, Member of the Shoura Council, Cairo
- **Mahdi F. ABDUL HADI**, President of the Palestinian Academic Society for the Study of International Affairs, Jerusalem
- **Anoush EHTESHAMI**, Professor of International Relations and Head of the School of Government and International Affairs, Durham University
- **Gary G. SICK**, Senior Research Scholar and Adjunct Professor of International Affairs, Columbia University, New York

Rapporteur: Walter POSCH, Senior Research Fellow, European Union Institute for Security Studies, Paris

2. Protracted conflicts: the role of the emerging powers

- To what extent are emerging powers committed and involved in the international response to crisis?
- From crisis-management to peacebuilding
- Protection of civil populations and refugees in danger: how to reinforce the multilateral system to respond to crises more efficiently?

Chair: Tomas RIES, Director, Swedish Institute of International Affairs, Stockholm

Introductory remarks:

- **Elizabeth SIDIROPOULOS**, National Director, South African Institute of International Affairs, Johannesburg
- **Xu Weizhong**, Deputy Director, Institute of Asian and African Studies, China Institutes of Contemporary International Relations, Beijing

Commentators:

- **João GOMES CRAVINHO**, Portuguese Secretary of State of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation, Lisbon
- **Manvendra SINGH**, Member of Parliament (*Lok Sabha*, House of the People) of the Republic of India, New Delhi
- **Richard WRIGHT**, Director, Crisis Platform – Policy Coordination in Common Foreign Security Policy, Directorate General for External Relations, European Commission, Brussels
- **Vaclav HUBINGER**, Director, Office of Strategy and Analysis, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic, Prague
- **Nabi ABDULLAEV**, Journalist, *The Moscow Times*, Moscow
- **Charles GRANT**, Director, Centre for European Reform, London
- **Carlos LOPES**, Executive Director, United Nations Institute for Training and Research, Geneva

Rapporteur: Damien HELLY, Research Fellow, European Union Institute for Security Studies, Paris

3. Pan-European security: enhancing conflict prevention and conflict resolution mechanisms

- Specific responses to unresolved conflicts in Europe (confidence-building measures, mediation)
- Prospects of the Turkish proposal on the Caucasus Stability and Cooperation Platform
- European Neighbourhood Policy, Eastern Partnership and the borders of Europe
- Security architecture in Europe and beyond: how to revitalise the role of the OSCE?
- The role of multilateral institutions: perspectives from the EU and the global players

Chair: Helga SCHMID, Director, Policy Unit, EU Council, Brussels

Introductory remarks:

- **Oksana ANTONENKO**, Senior Fellow and Programme Director (Russia and Eurasia), International Institute for Strategic Studies, London
- **Atila Y. ERALP**, Director, Centre for European Studies, Middle East Technical University, Ankara

Commentators:

- **Salomé ZOURABICHVILI**, former Minister of Foreign Affairs of Georgia, Leader of the Georgian party 'Georgia's Way', Tbilisi
- **Alain DÉLÉTROZ**, Vice-President, International Crisis Group, Brussels
- **Thanos DOKOS**, Director, Hellenic Foundation for European and Foreign Policy, Athens

Rapporteur: Sabine FISCHER, Research Fellow, European Union Institute for Security Studies, Paris

4. Energy competition: impact on sustainable development and climate change

- Future trends and challenges in Europe and the world
- The future of the Kyoto Protocol after Bali – key issues for the post-2012 climate change agreement
- Global competition for energy resources (oil, gas)
- Impact that emergent powers can have on global energy politics and on the climate change regime
- Nuclear energy and prospects of alternative sources of energy

Chair: Alfredo VALLADÃO, Director of the Chair Mercosur, Sciences Po, Paris

Introductory remarks:

- **Georges LANDAU**, Head of Prismax Consulting, São Paulo and Senior Counsellor, Brazilian Centre for International Relations, Rio de Janeiro
- **Pawel SWIEBODA**, Director, DemosEUROPA, Centre for European Strategy, Warsaw

Commentators:

- **Cristina NARBONA RUIZ**, former Environment Minister of Spain, Permanent Representative of Spain, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development, Paris
- **Faouzi BENSARSA**, Energy Advisor, Directorate General for External Relations, European Commission, Brussels
- **Nick MABEY**, Founding Director and Chief Executive, E3G, London
- **Nina POUSSENKOVA**, Scholar-in-Residence, Carnegie Moscow Centre, Moscow

Rapporteur: Giovanni GREVI, Senior Research Fellow, European Union Institute for Security Studies, Paris

5. Global food and health crisis: testing the multilateral system's capacities to react

- Analysing the current world food crisis and the reaction of the international community
- Impact of the financial crisis on the global food and health crisis
- Food protectionism and food crises – the EU and CAP reform/US agricultural subsidies/Brazil and biofuels
- The case of humanitarian crises
- The WTO negotiations under the Doha Development Agenda
- What can we learn from the multilateral response to the health crises (Asian flu, HIV/AIDS, malaria...)?
- The role and responsibility of private actors

Chair: Alar OLLJUM, Head of Forward Studies Unit, Directorate General for External Relations, European Commission, Brussels

Introductory remarks:

- **Ricardo MELÉNDEZ-ORTIZ**, Co-founder and Chief Executive, International Centre for Trade and Sustainable Development, Geneva
- **Vera THORSTENSEN**, Economic Advisor, Permanent Mission of Brazil to the World Trade Organisation, Geneva

Commentators:

- **Abdallah SAAF**, former Moroccan Minister of Education, Director, Centre for Studies and Research in Social Sciences, Rabat
- **Frédéric MOUSSEAU**, Policy Advisor, Oxfam GB, Oxford
- **Caroline PLANTÉ**, Sub-Regional Representative, World Organisation for Animal Health, Brussels

Rapporteur: Jean-Pascal ZANDERS, Research Fellow, European Union Institute for Security Studies, Paris

20:00 Cocktail

20:30 Dinner

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08:30 Morning coffee

09:00 **Plenary Session II - Giving content to human security:
is the multilateral system effective?**

- In the light of current international crises (Burma/Myanmar; Darfur-Chad; DR Congo), what is the role of the multilateral system in protecting the rights of individuals and preventing mass violence?
- How to make the UN Human Rights Council effective?
- Is it possible to have a common approach to the 'responsibility to protect'?

Chair: David HAMBURG, President Emeritus, Carnegie Corporation of New York

Speakers:

- Radha KUMAR, Trustee, Delhi Policy Group, and Director, Nelson Mandela Centre for Peace and Conflict Resolution, Jamia Millia Islamia University, New Delhi
- Jane Holl LUTE, Assistant Secretary-General, Peacebuilding Support Office, United Nations, New York
- Stefano SILVESTRI, President, Istituto Affari Internazionali, Rome

10:30 Coffee break

11:00 **Final Plenary Session - Building partnerships for effective
multilateralism: what reforms need to be introduced in
multilateral institutions?**

Chair: Álvaro DE VASCONCELOS, Director, European Union Institute for Security Studies, Paris

Speakers:

- Marcel BIATO, Special Adviser, Office of the President of Brazil, Brasilia
- Roy S. LEE, Special Senior Fellow, United Nations Institute for Training and Research, and Adjunct Professor, Columbia University School of Law, New York
- Dmitri TRENIN, Deputy Director of the Carnegie Moscow Center, Senior Associate of the Carnegie Endowment, Moscow
- Eric CHEVALLIER, Spokesperson and Special Adviser to the French Minister of Foreign and European Affairs Bernard Kouchner, Paris

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