



## THE FUTURE OF US EUROPEAN COMMAND IN A POST-AFGHANISTAN, POST-ARAB SPRING, CHAOTIC, UNPREDICTABLE AND FINANCIALLY-CONSTRAINED “NEW, NEW WORLD”

THURSDAY • JULY 19, 2012 • 8:30 A.M.-3:45 P.M.

8:30 a.m. **REGISTRATION AND COFFEE**

9:00- 9:15 **WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS**

**Barry Pavel**, *Director, International Security Program, Atlantic Council*

9:15-10:30 **THE FUTURE OF US EUROPEAN COMMAND: THE WAY AHEAD**

Key premises:

- The rejuvenation, reinvention, and reform of the transatlantic community is essential to global security, especially with the US strategic “pivot” to Asia
- The viability of NATO is largely dependent on a strong and effective EUCOM, the centerpiece for US engagement in Europe
- Turmoil on NATO's periphery is among the greatest security challenges to Europe, in which the role of EUCOM is likely to be critical but must be more precisely defined and updated

**Presenters:**

**Robert Hunter**, *Director, Center for Transatlantic Security Studies, National Defense University*

**Harlan Ullman**, *Senior Advisor, International Security Program, Atlantic Council*

**Kurt Volker**, *Senior Advisor, International Security Program, Atlantic Council*

**Moderator:** **Barry Pavel**, *Director, International Security Program, Atlantic Council*

10:30-11:00 **COFFEE BREAK**

11:00-12:15 **THE FUTURE OF US EUROPEAN COMMAND—REGIONAL ASSESSMENTS**

Key topics:

- Impact of Middle East unrest on EUCOM
- Security landscape in Africa and how it is likely to impact EUCOM and AFRICOM
- Impact of NATO's drawdown in Afghanistan on Pakistan and EUCOM
- Security developments in Iran and their impact on EUCOM

**Presenters:**

**J. Peter Pham**, *Director, Michael S. Ansari Africa Center, Atlantic Council*

**Shuja Nawaz**, *Director, South Asia Center, Atlantic Council*

Barbara Slavin, *Senior Fellow, South Asia Center, Atlantic Council*

**Moderator:** Franklin D. Kramer, *Distinguished Senior Fellow, Atlantic Council*

12:15-12:45

**LUNCH BREAK**

12:45-1:45

**THE FUTURE OF US EUROPEAN COMMAND—FUNCTIONAL IMPLICATIONS**

**Presenters:**

Charles L. Barry, *Senior Research Fellow, National Defense University*

Isabelle Francois, *Distinguished Visiting Research Fellow, National Defense University*

Leo Michel, *Distinguished Research Fellow, National Defense University*

**Moderator:** Damon Wilson, *Executive Vice President, Atlantic Council*

1:45-2:00

**COFFEE BREAK**

2:15-3:30

**THE FUTURE OF US EUROPEAN COMMAND—STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS**

Francis G. Hoffman, *Director, NDU Press, National Defense University*

Jeff Lightfoot, *Deputy Director, International Security Program, Atlantic Council*

Boyko Noev, *Member, Strategic Advisors Group, Atlantic Council*

Kori Schake, *Research Fellow, Hoover Institution, Stanford University*

**Moderator:** Barry Pavel, *Director, International Security Program, Atlantic Council*

3:30-3:45

**CONCLUDING REMARKS**

Robert Hunter, *Director, Center for Transatlantic Security Studies, National Defense University*

Harlan Ullman, *Senior Advisor, International Security Program, Atlantic Council*