

Looking North: Conference on Security in the Arctic

Thursday, February 6, 2020

9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Residence of the Ambassador
of Norway to the United States

Agenda

- 9:00 – 9:10 a.m. **Welcome Remarks**
H.E. Kåre R. Aas, *Ambassador of Norway to the United States*
Frederick Kempe, *President and CEO, Atlantic Council*
- 9:10 – 9:20 a.m. **Keynote Address | Strategic Importance of the High North**
H.E. Kåre R. Aas
- 9:20 – 9:40 a.m. **Opening Presentation | On the Ground in the Arctic**
Thomas Nilsen, *Editor, The Independent Barents Observer*
- 9:40 – 11:00 a.m. **Discussion | Heating Up: Driving Forces Behind Increased Attention on the High North**
David Auerswald, *Professor of Security Studies, National War College
National Defense University*
Sherri Goodman, *Senior Fellow, Environmental Change and Security Program
Wilson Center*
Thomas Nilsen, *Editor, The Independent Barents Observer*
Stephanie Pezard, *Senior Political Scientist, RAND Corporation*
Moderator: Ali Rogin, *Foreign Affairs Producer, PBS Newshour*
- 11:00 – 11:30 a.m. **Light Buffet Lunch**

11:30 – 12:45 p.m.

Discussion | Evolving Security: Understanding Allied Perspectives on the Arctic

Keith Eikenes, *Deputy Director General for Security Policy*, Royal Norwegian Ministry of Defense

Michael Emerson, *Director, Marine Transportation Systems and Senior Arctic Policy Advisor*, United States Coast Guard

Edward Ferguson, *Minister Counsellor Defence*, British Embassy

Henrik Bramsen Hahn, *Deputy Chief of Mission*, Embassy of Denmark to the United States

Martin Loken, *Minister for Political Affairs*, Embassy of Canada to the United States

Moderator: H.E. Kåre R. Aas

12:45 – 1:00 p.m.

Closing Remarks

H.E. Kåre R. Aas