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Riga, Latvia

PROGRAMME

Tuesday 24 May 2022

- 15.00 15.40 Welcome and introduction at NATO StratCom Centre of Excellence by Mr Jānis Sārts, Director of the NATO Strategic Communications Centre of Excellence
- 15.40 16.20 Briefing "Russia Ukraine War: Narratives and Disinformation Trends" by Lieutenant Colonel Yves Desbiens, Staff Officer of the Operational Support Branch/ Senior National Representative of Canada to NATO StratCom COE
- 16.20 17.00 Briefing "Next Generation of Communication and Information Sharing" by Mr Gundars Bergmanis-Korāts, Senior Expert on Artificial Intelligence, Technical and Scientific Development Branch of NATO StratCom COE
- **18.30 20.30** Working Dinner

with Ms Zanda Kalnina-Lukasevica, Parliamentary Secretary of the Latvian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Wednesday 25 May 2022

- 09.15 DEPARTURE TO THE EPLO RIGA
- **09.30 10.30** Meeting with Russian independent media: Meduza and Novaya Gazeta with Galina Timchenko (Meduza) and Kirill Martynov (Novaya Gazeta)

10.30 - 11.30 Meeting with Baltic Centre for Media Excellence

with Gunta Sloga, Executive Director, and Martins Murnieks, Head of Eastern Partnership Programme



EVENT Program

- From 25-26 May 2022, the Riga StratCom Dialogue will bring together the strategic communications community for two days of intensive and inspiring discussion between experts
- 12.00 13.30 Battlefields in the mind: societal resilience and cognitive defence
- 13.30 14.30 Lunch
- 14.30 16.00 What strategic communications has to say about NATO's new Strategic Concept
- 16.00 16.30 Coffee Break
- 16.30 18.00 Foreign election interference: where we are today
- **18.00 18.15** Closing Remarks
- 18.15 20.30 Dinner

NB: All times refer to Riga time