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12-13 NOVEMBER, 2020

Virtual Event

AGENDA

THURSDAY, 12 NOVEMBER 2020

14:15 Registration and Access to the Virtual Plenary Room

INTRODUCTORY SESSION

14:30 Welcome Address

Ettore Greco, Executive Vice President, Istituto Affari Internazionali (IAI), Rome

14:40 **Opening Speeches**

Josep Borrell, High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy / Vice-President of the Commission, Brussels (video-message)

Izumi Nakamitsu, United Nations Under-Secretary-General and High Representative for Disarmament Affairs, New York

Q&A

FIRST PLENARY SESSION

15:15 **Rebuilding Mutual Trust in Arms Control, Non-Proliferation and Disarmament: The Way Ahead** *Chair:*

Marjolijn van Deelen, Special Envoy for Disarmament and Non-Proliferation, European Union External Action Service (EEAS), Brussels

Speakers:

Fu Cong, Director-General, Department of Arms Control, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of China, Beijing **Christopher Ford**, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of International Security and Nonproliferation, U.S. Department of State, Washington D.C.

16:30 Break

16:45 Keynote Speech with Q&A

<u>Chair</u>: **Elena Sokova,** Executive Director, Vienna Center for Disarmament and Non-Proliferation, Vienna Speaker:

Gustavo Zlauvinen, President-designate of the 2020 Review Conference of the Non-Proliferation Treaty

Q&A

17:15 End of First Day

FRIDAY, 13 NOVEMBER 2020

PARALLEL SESSIONS

08:50 Registration and Access to One of the Virtual Break Out Rooms

09:00 Virtual Room One

Biological Weapons and Pandemics: Implications and Lessons Learned from Covid-19

Chair:

Filippa Lentzos, Senior Research Fellow, Department of Global Health & Social Medicine and Department of War Studies, King's College, London

Speakers:

Iris Hunger, Representative for questions of research risks, Robert Koch Institute, Berlin Aidan Liddle, UK Ambassador and Permanent Representative to the Conference on Disarmament in Geneva

Jez Littlewood, Policy Analyst, Alberta

09:00 Virtual Room Two

The Impact of Artificial Intelligence and Related Technologies.
What Role for Arms Control?

Chair:

Anja Dahlmann, Head of Project 'International Panel on the Regulation of Autonomous Weapons, Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik, Berlin

Speakers:

Ruediger Bohn, Deputy Federal Government Commissioner for Disarmament and Arms Control, German Foreign Ministry, Berlin Guglielmo Tamburrini, Professor of Philosophy and Science, Universita' di Napoli "Federico II", Naples

Pauline Warnotte, Researcher, United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research (UNIDIR),

Geneva

10:00 Break

SECOND PLENARY SESSION

10:10 Registration and Access to the Virtual Plenary Room

10:15 Tackling Arms Diversion: State of Play, Gaps and Ways Forward

<u>Chair</u>:

Sibylle Bauer, Chair, EU Non-proliferation and Disarmament Consortium / Director of Studies, Armament and Disarmament, Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI), Stockholm Speakers:

Dumisani Dladla, Head, The Arms Trade Treaty (ATT) Secretariat, Geneva

Ashley Hamer, Field Investigator, Conflict Armament Research, London

Eran Nagan, Chair of Working Group on Conventional Arms Exports - European External Action Service, Brussels

Mélanie Régimbal, Director, United Nations Regional Centre for Peace, Disarmament and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean (UNLIREC), Lima

11:15 Keynote Speech with Q&A

Chair:

Benjamin Hautecouverture, Senior Research Fellow, Fondation pour la recherche stratégique (FRS), Paris <u>Speaker:</u>

Fernando Arias, Director-General of the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons, The Hague

Q&A

11:45 Break

12:00 Implementing the EU's Non-Proliferation and Disarmament Agenda

Chair:

Gustav Lindstrom, Director, EU Institute for Security Studies (EUISS), Paris Speakers:

Philippe Bertoux, Director for Strategic Affairs, Security and Disarmament at the French Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs, Paris

Orlaith Fitzmaurice, Director, Disarmament and Non-Proliferation Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Dublin

Heike Gerstbrein, Head of Unit for Common Foreign and Security Policy operations in the Service for Foreign Policy Instruments of the European Commission, Brussels

Marjolijn van Deelen, Special Envoy for Disarmament and Non-Proliferation, European Union External Action Service (EEAS), Brussels

13:00 Closing Remarks

Sibylle Bauer, Chair, EU Non-proliferation and Disarmament Consortium / Director of Studies, Armament and Disarmament, Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI), Stockholm

13:15 End of Second Day - Conference Adjourns

