

**New Perspectives on Shared Security -
NATO next 70 years**
*Dealing with non-state actors: which
policies, which tools?*

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International, closed-doors workshop jointly organized by
Istituto Affari Internazionali and NATO Public Diplomacy
Division

DRAFT AGENDA

12 June – Restaurant TBA

20:00

Ice-breaking Dinner

VINCENZO CAMPORINI Scientific Advisor, IAI, former Italian Chief of Defence Staff

13 June – IAI, Via Angelo Brunetti, 9

8:45

Participants' arrival and registration

9:00

Welcome remarks

FERDINANDO NELLI FEROCI President, IAI

9:10

Key Note Speech

LUCIANO PORTOLANO Commander, NATO JFC Naples

9:30

Session I - NATO's present and future: factors and actors

While celebrating its 70th anniversary, the Atlantic Alliance sees rapid and important changes within and beyond its borders. In such a fluid scenario, it is crucial to understand which factors are likely to shape the mid-term development of the international security environment, as well as the politico-strategic orientation of Western countries. In this sense, profiling and prioritizing relevant actors – including states and non-states, as well as international bodies such as the EU – is also fundamental. As a matter of fact, these entities are likely to shape one way or another the current and future NATO posture. By building on this consideration, the first session will stimulate a forward-looking oriented brainstorming among participants to identify forthcoming challenges and actors with growing influence of concern for NATO. The approach adopted is looking both East and South of the Alliance as well as across different operational domains, with a view to the 2nd session reflection on non-state actors.

Moderator

ALESSANDRO MARRONE Head of Defence Programme, IAI

Speakers

Nicola de Santis Head of MENA Countries Section, NATO's Political Affairs and Security Policy Division

Christian Leuprecht Fellow, NATO Defence College

Paul Taylor Senior Fellow, Friends of Europe

11:15

Coffee break

11.45

Session II: Dealing with non-state actors

Non-state actors with state-like capabilities, such as ISIS, represent an important challenge to Europe's security and the stability of its neighbourhood, and can rise again amidst fragile/failed states as well as tensions between regional powers. NATO should therefore adapt its state-centric approach to deterrence and defence, crisis management operations and cooperative security to a blurred environment of state and non-state actors. In this perspective, participants will discuss the link between regional instability and international terrorism/violent extremism in order to frame NATO possible and desirable contribution to the international community's efforts. To this purpose, the session will try to address the following questions: how to support fragile/failed states where international terrorist threat is growing? How to defuse those tensions among partner countries in Middle East and North Africa which fuel non-state actors threat? Which kind of military intervention against non-state actors like ISIS could prevent and counter their statehood aspiration and stabilize a post-conflict situation? In doing so, how to avoid radicalization of individuals in NATO countries and beyond?

Moderator

BENEDETTA BERTI Cabinet of the NATO Secretary General

Speakers

Vincent Durac Associate Professor, University College Dublin

Fabrizio Luciolli President, Atlantic Treaty Association

Aaron Y. Zelin Fellow, Washington Institute for Near East Policy

13:30

Closing Remarks

ALESSANDRO MARRONE Head of Defence Programme, IAI

13:40

End of the workshop