“A Common Approach to the Neighbourhood”
27-28 June, 2008 – Natolin

Conference venue: Nowoursynowska 84, Natolin/Warsaw

PROGRAMME
27 June 2008

8:45-9:15                        Conference registration and coffee
“Retinger” hall

Welcome speech:
9:15-9:45                        Alvaro de VASCONCELOS, Director of the EUISS, Paris
                                Jacek SARYUSZ-WOLSKI, President of the Natolin European Centre,
                                Room A2 Chairman of Foreign Affairs Committee, European Parliament

9:45-11:15                       Session I: Values and Interests in the EU Policy towards the Neighbours
                                Chair: Jacek SARYUSZ-WOLSKI, President of the Natolin European Centre,
                                Room A2 Chairman of Foreign Affairs Committee, European Parliament
                                Speakers:
                                Radoslaw SIKORSKI, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Poland, Warsaw
                                Kostiantyn YELISEYEV, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine, Kiev
                                Hugues MINGARELLI, DG Relex, EU Commission, Brussels

11:15-11:30                      Coffee break

11:30-13.00                      Session II: Achievements and Shortcomings of EU Policies towards the Neighbourhood
                                Chair: Marek CICHOCKI, Natolin European Centre, Warsaw
                                Room A2
                                Speakers:
                                Sabine FISCHER, EUISS, Paris
                                Erwan LANNON, EUISS, Brussels/College of Europe, Natolin
                                Discussant: Fred TANNER, Geneva

13:00-14:30                      Lunch
                                Restaurant
14:30-17:30

Session III: Working Groups

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1) Democracy and the Rule of Law

**Rapporteur:** Esra BULUT, EUISS, Paris

**Chair:** Lord ROPER, House of Lords, Former Director of the EUISS, London

**Introduction:** Petr KRATOCHVIL, IIR, Prague

**Respondents:**
- Maria do Rosario DE MORAES VAZ, IEEI, Lisbon
- Annegrete BENDIEK, SWP, Berlin

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2) Sub-regional Integration and Unresolved Conflicts

**Rapporteur:** Sabine FISCHER, EUISS, Paris

**Chair:** Olaf OSICA, Natolin European Centre, Warsaw

**Introduction:** Dov LYNCH, OSCE, Vienna

**Respondent:**
- Peter SEMNEBY, EU Special Representative for the South Caucasus, Brussels

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3) Borders

**Rapporteur:** Kerry LONGHURST, IFRI, Paris

**Chair:** Daniel KEOHANE, EUISS, Paris

**Introduction:** Jan ZIELONKA, Oxford University, Oxford

**Respondents:**
- Erik BERGLUND, Frontex, Warsaw
- Pinar BILGIN, Bilkent University, Ankara

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4) Energy Security

**Rapporteur:** Giovanni GREVÎ, EUISS, Paris

**Chair:** Rafal TRZASKOWSKI, Natolin European Centre, Warsaw

**Introduction:** Sean O'REGAN, EU Council, Brussels

**Respondents:**
- Philip ANDREWS-SPEED, Centre for Energy, Petroleum and Mineral Law and Policy at the University of Dundee, Dundee
- Zygimantas VAICIUNAS, Centre for Strategic Studies, Vilnius

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15:45-16:15

*Coffee break*

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16:15-17:30

Working groups continue
19.30         Official Dinner given by the Polish Ministry of Foreign Affairs (by invitation)
               Key Note address by Lazăr COMĂNESCU, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Romania

28 June 2008

9:30-11:00  Session I: Views from the Neighbours
               Chair: Marcin ZABOROWSKI, EUISS, Paris
               Speakers:
               Room A1  Aleksander MILINKEVICH, Former Presidential Candidate, Minsk
                         Nejib CHEBBI, Democratic Progressive Party, Tunis
                         Kataryna WOLCZUK, University of Birmingham, Birmingham
               Questions and Answers

11:00-11:15  Coffee break

11:15-13:00  Session II: Round table on the ESS and the EU Neighbourhood
               Moderator: Pawel SWIEBODA, Demos Europa, Warsaw
               Speakers:
               Room A1  Helga SCHMID, Director of Policy Unit, EU Council Secretariat, Brussels
                         Alvaro VASCONCELOS, EUISS, Paris

13:00-14:30  Farewell Lunch and Departure
               Restaurant