



Wilton Park

## Programme

### Towards the 2015 NPT Review Conference

Monday 16 – Friday 20 December 2013 | WP1265

This annual conference is now in its 18th year and established as a key event for the development of fresh approaches and the building of consensus on the non-proliferation regime. This year's meeting convenes only 18 months before the 2015 NPT Review Conference and will assess the prospects for and challenges to success there. The programme will look at issues both specific to the Review Conference and to the wider nuclear non-proliferation regime. We will be discussing the pressure points and make-or-break issues as the Review approaches and how they can be navigated; the status of negotiations with Iran and the likely relations with the new regime; the status of summits and processes such as the Middle East WMD-Free Zone Conference, the Oslo Conference, and the P5 process; efforts to strengthen global proliferation resistance, including a read-out from a private Wilton Park conference on tackling illicit nuclear procurement; the prospects for creative and productive work towards reducing and eliminating nuclear weapons; and the future for nuclear safeguards.

**In association with: Sandia National Laboratories; Los Alamos National Laboratory; Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Network of Emerging Nuclear Specialists (INENS)**

## Monday 16 December

1300-1430

Participants arrive and buffet lunch available

1500

### Welcome and introduction

**Mark Smith**

Programme Director, Wilton Park, Steyning

1515-1645

### 1. NPT diplomacy towards 2015: an assessment

What are the possible definitions of, and prospects for, success in 2015? What pressure points and make-or-break issues can be identified, and how can they be navigated? What relationships, such as NWS-NAM, will be decisive and how can positive relationships be fostered?

**Tom Countryman**

Assistant Secretary of State for International Security and Nonproliferation, US Department of State, Washington DC

**Harald Müller**

Executive Director, Peace Research Institute Frankfurt (PRIF), Frankfurt

**Desra Percaya**

Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Indonesia to the United Nations, New York

1645-1730

Photograph followed by tea/coffee

1730-1900

## 2. The P5 process and its future

What is the status of the P5 process? How will this impact on the 2015 Review? How can negative impact be minimised and positive be maximised? What role can these processes play in a successful result in 2015?

**Jeffrey Eberhardt**

Director, Office of Multilateral and Nuclear Affairs, US Department of State, Washington DC

**Jean-Hugues Simon-Michel**

Ambassador and Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of France to the Conference on Disarmament, Geneva

**Andrea Berger**

Research Fellow, Nuclear Analysis, Royal United Services Institute (RUSI), London

1930

**Drinks reception**

2000

**Dinner**

## Tuesday 17 December

0800-0900

Breakfast

0915-1045

## 3. The Iranian nuclear programme

What are the domestic politics of the recent deal in Iran? What drives Iran's negotiating strategy, and what prospects there are of building upon the Geneva agreement? What is the technical status of Iran's nuclear programme, and what does the Geneva agreement achieve? What remains to be done? What are the international politics of the agreement, and what trends will they produce?

**Ali Ansari**

Professor of Iranian History, University of St Andrews, St Andrews

**David Albright**

President, Institute for Science and International Security (ISIS), Washington DC

**Mark Fitzpatrick**

Director, Non-Proliferation and Disarmament Programme, International Institute for Strategic Studies (IISS), London

1045-1115

Tea/coffee

1115-1245

## 4. The future of nuclear safeguards

As nuclear safeguards continue to evolve due to the pressure of circumstances and expectations, what future paths can be plotted? What is the future of the state level concept? How will safeguards be affected by their expected role in supporting diplomacy in international security, the changing face of global nuclear trade and of global financial austerity.

**Laura Rockwood**

Former Section Head, Non-Proliferation and Policy Making, Office of Legal Affairs, International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), Vienna

**Rob Floyd**

Director General, Australian Safeguards and Non-Proliferation Office (ASNO), Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Canberra

1300-1430

Lunch

1500-1630

## 5. Global proliferation resistance

Wyn Bowen will discuss the work and policy recommendations of King's College London's Project Alpha. Leonard Spector will give a summary of the main conclusions from September Wilton Park conference titled 'Meeting the challenges of illicit nuclear procurement'.

### **Wyn Bowen**

Director, Centre for Science and Security Studies (CSSS), Department of War Studies, King's College, London

### **Leonard Spector**

Executive Director, James Martin Center for Nonproliferation Studies, Monterey Institute of International Studies, Washington DC

1630-1700

Tea/coffee

1700-1830

## 6. From The Hague to Washington: expectations and future paths for the Nuclear Security Summits

How effective has the Summit process been in addressing the challenge of securing nuclear materials? What more needs to be done?

### **Piet de Klerk**

Ambassador; Nuclear Security Summit 2014 Sherpa, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, The Hague

### **Deepti Choubey**

Senior Director, Nuclear and Bio Security, Nuclear Threat Initiative (NTI), Washington DC

1930

Dinner

## Wednesday 18 December

0800-0900

Breakfast

0915-1045

## 7. Northeast Asia and the growing nuclear challenge

What is the status of the North Korean nuclear programme (both civil and military) and what are the options for engagement on the dialogue and cooperation? What impact will the deal with Iran have? What are the regional and global implications of the North Korean programme? What impact are likely future patterns of nuclear development going to have on the nuclear non-proliferation regime?

### **Anton Khlopkov**

Director, Center for Energy and Security Studies (CENESS), Moscow

### **Lu Yin**

Associate Researcher, Institute of Strategic Studies, National Defence University, Beijing

1045-1115

Tea/coffee

1115-1245

## 8. Nuclear reductions and a world without nuclear weapons: joint enterprises and new ways forward

What are the alternatives to formal arms control and reductions? What can be done to spur arms control in the future? Would a joint enterprise approach facilitate a more constructive and productive dialogue of how to achieve a world without nuclear weapons while accounting for the realities of nuclear weapons possessed by those not bound by the NPT? What role can the NNWS play in reductions and disarmament, and the verification process?

### **Joseph Pilat**

Program Manager, National Security Office, Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Alamos

**Andrew Weber**

Assistant Secretary of Defense for Nuclear, Chemical and Biological Defense Programs (ASD(NCB)), US Department of Defense, Washington DC

**Al-Sharif Nasser bin Nasser**

Managing Director, Middle East Scientific Institute for Security (MESIS), Amman

1245-1400

Lunch

1400

Optional excursion to Brighton or tour of Wiston House

1700-1730

Tea/Coffee

1730-1900

**9. Working groups**

This is a round of smaller working groups, designed to facilitate focused discussions. The topics focus on subjects relevant to tomorrow's sessions in order to make the report-back productive.

**The 2014 PrepCom**

**Gaukhar Mukhatzhanova**

Senior Research Associate, James Martin Center for Nonproliferation Studies, Monterey Institute of International Studies, Washington DC

**The Oslo-Nayarit process**

**Rebecca Cousins**

Program Director, British American Security Information Council (BASIC), Washington DC

**The Middle East WMD-Free Zone**

**Patricia Lewis**

Research Director for International Security, Chatham House, London

**Enhancing fairness and restoring equity in the NPT: what are the prospects for a new dialogue on Article X?**

**Deepti Choubey**

Senior Director, Nuclear and Bio Security, Nuclear Threat Initiative (NTI), Washington DC

1930

Dinner

**Thursday 19 December**

0800-0900

Breakfast

0915-1045

**10. The Oslo and Nayarit process and its implications**

What are the key outcomes of the Oslo conference? What will be taken up at the Nayarit conference in 2014, and what are the current aims? What are the implications of the process on the humanitarian impact of nuclear weapons for NPT diplomacy and aims, and for the global non-proliferation regime?

**Report: Oslo-Nayarit working group (Rebecca Cousins)**

**Hellmut Lagos**

Deputy Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of Chile to the International Organisations in Vienna, Vienna

**Daryl Kimball**

Executive Director, Arms Control Association, Washington DC

1045-1115

Tea/coffee

1115-1245

## 11. The Middle East WMD-Free Zone Conference

What is the current status of the WMD-Free Zone Conference, and what outcomes are possible there? How can the broader objective be advanced, and what obstacles and opportunities for progress can be identified? How can the Zone issue be managed in the wider context of NPT diplomacy heading towards 2015?

**Report: Middle East WMD-Free Zone working group (Patricia Lewis)**

**Hossam Eldeen Aly**

Director for Disarmament Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Cairo

**Adam Scheinman**

Senior Advisor for Nuclear Nonproliferation, Bureau of International Security and Nonproliferation Bureau, US State Department, Washington DC

**Cristian Istrate**

Ambassador, Permanent Mission of Romania to the International Organisations in Vienna, Vienna

1300-1430

Lunch

1500-1630

## 12. The 2014 NPT PrepCom

What is the role and purpose of the third PrepCom, and how do the outcomes of the 2013 PrepCom affect it? What procedural items need to be completed or resolved in connection with the 2015 Review? What are the key substantive issues likely to dominate in 2014, and what should be the expected product or outcome? What recent developments could impact the PrepCom? Has the strengthened review process of 1995 and 2000 lived up to expectations, and if not, what needs to be changed?

**Report: 2014 PrepCom working group (Gaukhar Mukhazhanova) and Article X working group (Deepti Choubey)**

**Tariq Rauf**

Advisor to the Chair of 2014 NPT PrepCom; President, Global Nuclear Solutions, Vienna

1630-1700

Tea/coffee

1700-1800

## 13. Conclusions: towards 2015

This session will assess the principal implications of the conference discussions as we head towards the 2015 Review Conference, with special reference to what needs to be done to assist success there. Matthew Rowland and Andreas Persbo will examine the role of the NWS and NGOs respectively, and Tom Markram will take a wider perspective UN and conference diplomacy.

**Matthew Rowland**

Ambassador and Permanent Representative to the Conference on Disarmament, UK Mission to the United Nations in Geneva, Geneva

**Andreas Persbo**

Executive Director, Verification Research, Training and Information Centre (VERTIC), London

**Thomas Markram**

Chief, Weapons of Mass Destruction Branch (Nuclear Weapons), Office for Disarmament Affairs, United Nations, New York

1800-1900

Interval for changing

1900

Carol service in church (optional)

1945

Drinks reception

**2015 for 2030**

Conference Dinner

**Friday 20 December**

**0800-0900**

Breakfast and payment of bills

**0915**

Participants depart