



FRONTIERS OF EUROPE CONFERENCE

Kyiv, Ukraine
December 16-17, 2008
Premier Palace Hotel
5-7/29 Taras Shevchenko Boulevard
Pushkinska Street, Kiev 01004, Ukraine

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16

Coffee and Registration

9:00 – 9:30, Sofiyivskiy Grand Hall

Conference Opening

Welcoming Remarks:

9:30 – 9:45, Sofiyivskiy Grand Hall

Daniel Benjamin, Brookings, U.S.

First Panel: How the "Frontiers" View Europe

9:45 – 11:10, Sofiyivskiy Grand Hall

Moderator:

Daniel Benjamin, Brookings, U.S.

Panelists:

Hryhoriy Nemyria, Deputy Prime Minister, Ukraine
Gela Bezhuashvili, Intelligence Service (FIS) of Georgia
Suat Kiniklioglu, Turkish Parliament Foreign Affairs Committee
Borys Tarasyuk, Rada Member, Ukraine *

Morning Break

11:10 – 11:25, Sofiyivskiy Grand Hall

Second Panel: How Europe Views the "Frontiers"

11:25 – 12:50, Sofiyivskiy Grand Hall

Chair:

Federiga Bindi, Brookings and University of Rome Tor Vergata, Italy

Panelists:

Gideon Rachman, Financial Times, U.K.
Hans-Juergen Heimsoeth, German Ambassador to Ukraine, Germany
Marek Siwiec, Vice President of the European Parliament, Member of the Board of YES, Poland
William Taylor, U.S. Ambassador to Ukraine

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16

Lunch Discussion: *The Future of Europe*

12:50 – 14:05, Sofiyivskiy Grand Hall

Chair:

Steven Pifer, Brookings, U.S.

Remarks by:

Arseniy Yatseniuk, Former Rada Chairman, Ukraine
Nino Burjanadze, Foundation for Democracy and Development, Georgia

Third Panel: *Ukraine's Integration Into Europe*

14:05 – 15:30 Sofiyivskiy Grand Hall

Chair:

Carlos Pascual, Brookings, U.S.

Panelists:

Volodymyr Ohryzhko, Foreign Minister, Ukraine
Anatoliy Grytsenko, Rada Member, Ukraine
Leonid Kozhara, Rada Deputy, Ukraine
Jacek Kluczkowski, Polish Ambassador to Ukraine

Afternoon Break

15:30 – 15:45, Sofiyivskiy Grand Hall

Fourth Panel: *How Russia Views an Enlarging Europe*

15:45 – 17:10, Sofiyivskiy Grand Hall

Chair:

Steven Pifer, Brookings, U.S.

Panelists:

Yevgeny Minchenko, International Institute for Political Expertise, Russia
Volodymyr Horbulin, National Center for European Integration, Ukraine
Urban Rusnak, Slovakian Ambassador to Ukraine
Stephen Larrabee, RAND, U.S.

Keynote Address

17:15 – 18:00, Sofiyivskiy Grand Hall

Introduction:

Carlos Pascual, Brookings, U.S.

Remarks by:

Aleksander Kwaśniewski, Former President of Poland, Member of the Board of YES

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17

Fifth Panel: Democracy, Rule of Law and European Integration

09:00 – 10:30, Sofiyivskiy Grand Hall

Chair:

Jeremy Shapiro, Brookings, U.S.

Panelists:

Vira Nanivska, National Academy of Public Administration, Ukraine
Andras Barsony, Hungarian Ambassador to Ukraine*
Natalia Voutova, Council of Europe
Ron Keller, Dutch Ambassador to Ukraine

Morning Break

10:30 – 10:45, Sofiyivskiy Grand Hall

Sixth Panel: Energy Connections

10:45 – 12:15, Sofiyivskiy Grand Hall

Chair:

Jonathan Elkind, Brookings / EastLink Consulting, LLC, U.S.

Panelists:

Yurdakul Yigitguden, former Undersecretary for Energy, Turkey
Mamuka Tsereteli, America-Georgia Business Council, Georgia
Vladimir Milov, Institute of Energy Policy, Russia
Pierre Noel, Cambridge University and European Council on Foreign Relations, U.K.
Edward Chow, Center for International and Strategic Studies, U.S.

Conclusion and Lunch Discussion: The Obama Foreign Policy Agenda

12:30 – 13:45, Sofiyivskiy Grand Hall

Remarks by:

Carlos Pascual, Brookings, U.S.

* Invited participant

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