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International Conference THE EU ENLARGEMENT AND NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICY

Stefan Batory Foundation in co-operation with Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Poland

Warsaw, 20-21 February 2003 Victoria Hotel

Conference programme

20th of February

9:30	Registration
10:00	Welcome Aleksander Smolar, President of the Stefan Batory Foundation
	Opening Speech Aleksander Kwaśniewski, President of the Republic of Poland
10:15 - 14:00	Session I: Visions of EU Policy toward new neighbours.

- All of the Speakers will try to address the following problems:
 What type of European perspective should be offered to future EU neighbours?
- What could and should be the contribution of the new member states?

Keynote Speaker:	Włodzimierz Cimoszewicz, Foreign Minister of Poland: Polish view on new "Eastern Dimension" of the EU
Chair:	Bronisław Geremek, former Foreign Minister of Poland
Speakers:	Dumitru Braghis , former Prime Minister, Chairman of the parliamentary fraction Social-Democratic Alliance, Moldova
	Józef Oleksy, Chairman of the European Commission, Polish Parliament
	Sergei Rogov, Director of the US. and Canada Studies Institute of the Russian Academy of Sciences, Moscow
	Jacek Saryusz-Wolski, former Head of the Office of the Committee for European Integration, Poland
	Boris Tarasyuk , Chairman of European Affairs Committee, Ukrainian Parliament
	Vincuk Vyachorka, Chairman of the Belarusian Popular Front (BNF)

- **12:15 12:45** Coffee break
- 12:45 14:00 Open discussion
- 14:00 15:00 Luncheon

15:00 - 16:30	Session II:
	Lessons of EU neighbourhood policy.

Policy makers involved in developing neighbourhood policy in past and in present will discuss examples of the EU neighbourhood policy and the role played by particular EU member countries in that process. The EU neighbourhood policy as the stimulus of transitions from dictatorship to democracy and eventual EU membership in case of Spain; EU relations with Latin America and role of Portugal; policy of association and enlargement toward Central and Eastern Europe and the Northern Dimension of the EU are another important lessons, which are going to be debated during that Session. In that context the following questions are to be answered:

- What were particular failures and successes?
- What is a toolbox of the good policy?
- How to effectively integrate national agenda with EU objectives?
- What lessons can be learned for a new neighbourhood policy after enlargement?

Chair and introduction:	Tadeusz Mazowiecki, former Prime Minister of Poland
Speakers:	Fernando Moran Lopez, former Foreign Minister of Spain
	Victor Martins, former Vice-Minister for European Affairs of Portugal
	Hermann von Richthofen, Plenipotentiary of the Prime Minister of Brandenburg for co-operation with Poland
	Antti Satuli, Secretary of State, Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland

21st of FEBRUARY

9:30 – 11:30 Session III: Neighbourhood: traditional and new problems of security.

Experts in security, migration issues will discuss the security implications of new neighbourhood and questions related to the future EU external border:

- Security threats on the eastern border.
- The differences of perceptions of the external border functions of EU by member states, candidates and neighbouring countries respectively.
- How to reconcile domestic EU security concerns with freedom of movement, and objectives of political, social and economic development of the bordering countries?
- How new institutional developments (new NATO, development of CESDP) respond to security situation on the eastern border?

Chair and introduction:	Aleksander Smolar, President of the Stefan Batory Foundation
Speakers:	Heather Grabbe, Research Director, Centre for European Reform, London
	Bronisław Komorowski, former Minister of Defence of Poland
	Antonio Missiroli, Senior Research Fellow, European Union Institute for Security Studies, Paris
	Dominiques Moisi , Deputy Director, French Institute of International Relations, Paris
	Andriey Zagorsky, Deputy Director, Institute for Applied International Research, Moscow

- **11:30 12:00** Coffee break
- 12:00 12:45 Open discussion
- 12:50 13:00 Center for Eastern Studies presentation, Jacek Cichocki, Deputy Director
- 13:00 14:00 Luncheon

14:00 - 15:30 Session IV:

Supporting changes in neighbouring countries. What is the role of the EU policy?

- What are the prospects for the democratisation, modern economy development and growth of civil society in new borderline states? How the EU programmes can effectively contribute toward that end?
- What were successes and failures of the EU assistance programs to Russia, Belarus, and Ukraine after 1991?
- What role the new members will play in programming and implementation of the EU assistance toward neighbourhood. Co-operation or competition for scarce resources of the EU?
- Should TACIS become PHARE?

Chair and introduction:	Krzysztof Lis, President, Institute of Business Development, Poland
Speakers:	Pavel Daneyko , President, The Institute of Privatisation and Management, Belarus
	Marek Dąbrowski, Chairman of the Council, CASE Foundation, Warsaw
	Yurij Yechanurov, Head of the Committee on Industrial Policy and Entrepreneurship, Ukrainian Parliament
	Christoph Jessen , Commissioner for EU Enlargement, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Germany
	Alistair MacDonald, Head of Unit, Directorate E (Eastern Europe, Caucasus, Central Asian Republics), European Commission