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ARCTIC SECURITY PERCEPTIONS: FROM NORTH AMERICA TO THE BALTIC SEA

Wednesday, April 3, 09:00 – 12:00

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The Arctic is divided. Security interests and concerns in the North American Arctic are not equivalent to those in the European Arctic. The Baltic Sea Region is increasingly linked with issues in the High North / Barents Sea. With an emphasis on Canada and Norway, how do various Arctic security perceptions diverge and overlap? What is the role of the Baltic Sea Region in the security outlook for both countries, as well as for Arctic Geopolitics more generally?

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Draft Program:

- 09:00-09:15 'Looking North'
- Rune Jakobsen, Chief, Norwegian Joint Headquarters, Norwegian Armed Forces (tbc)
- 09:15-10:25 **Session I – Linking the North American and European Arctic(s)**
- Moderator: **Andreas Østhagen**, Research Fellow, Fridtjof Nansen Institute & High North Center, Norway
- 'The Canadian Outlook'
 - **Whitney Lackenbauer**, Professor – Trent University, Canada
 - 'The Norwegian Outlook'
 - **Paal Hilde**, Associate Professor – Norwegian Institute for Defence Studies, Norway
 - 'Canada in ... Europe?'
 - **Rob Huebert**, Associate Professor – University of Calgary, Canada
 - 'Norwegian Arctic Security outlook'
 - **Torbjørn Pedersen**, Professor – Nord University, Norway
- 10:25-10:45 Coffee Break
- 10:45-12:00 **Session II – What about the Baltic Sea Region?**
- Moderator: **Andreas Østhagen**, Research Fellow, Fridtjof Nansen Institute & High North Center, Norway
- 'Strategic Concerns'
 - **Caroline Kennedy-Pipe**, Professor – Loughborough University, United Kingdom
 - 'The Baltic Outlook'
 - **Riina Kaljurand**, Counsellor – Policy Planning Department, Estonian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Estonia
 - 'Germany in the Arctic?'
 - **Christoph Humrich**, Assistant Professor – University of Groningen, the Netherlands
 - 'Energy and Geopolitics'
 - **Petter Nore**, Professor – Nord University, Norway