

European Security with EU and NATO

2016, Friday May 13th and Saturday May 15th Göteborg

Background

The Maastricht treaty which was accepted by European Union 1991 included a Common Foreign and Security Policy. In the treaty Western European Union was pointed out as the military dimension of EU. It contained crisis management which some years later was included in the framework of EU. In 1998 EU agreed on a European Security and Defense Policy.

The cooperation with NATO has always had a high priority in EU. In September 2013 the European parliament accepted a resolution about EU:s military structures, where NATO plays an important role. A much closer military and political cooperation is proposed concerning risk management, administration of resources, strategic planning and implementation of military and civil missions.

Today the extent of crisis and wars are worse than ever. What are the roles of EU and NATO in this situation?

Organization

No to EU in Sweden is planning meetings 13th – 14th of May in Göteborg. The activities will be performed together with the international network No to War – No to NATO and Fredsam a network with peace organizations in Göteborg.

Activities

There will be a network meeting on Friday 13th of May in Brännö (archipelago of Göteborg) and a seminar on 14th of May in the center of Göteborg.

Friday 13th of May

Network Meeting in Brännö

15:00 Going to the archipelago of Göteborg.

Information on the boat about of the plans for international military exercises at sea.

17:00 Network meeting in Brännö.

We will discuss the activities around the NATO summit in Warsaw in July (07-10 July 2016).

Saturday 14th of May

Seminar on European security with EU and NATO

Cooperation between European Union and NATO has strengthened gradually dealing with political and military cooperation. In what way are NATO and EU contributing to the conflicts and wars today? Peace activists and researchers from Germany, Libya, Norway, Polen and Sweden are participating in the seminar. Language: English. No fee.

PROGRAM

- 11:00 **Introduction**
Per Hernmar, Nej till EU (No to EU)
- 11:10 **EU and NATO – a historic review**
Reiner Braun, internal Network No to war – No to NATO
- 11:45 **EU and NATO – in current conflicts and wars**
Claudia Haydt, Germany, [Information Centre on Militarisation \(IMI\) e.V.](#)
- 12:20 **Nordic defense and security cooperation**
Ingela Mårtensson, [Women for Peace, Sweden](#)
- 12:45 **Coffee break**

- 13:15 **The role of the EU and NATO in a global world**
Jörgen Johansen, Norway, peace researcher
- 14:00 **Libya after the NATO mission**
Asma Khalifa, peace researcher, Libyan activist, studying in Turkey
- 14:45 **NATO summit in Warsaw**
Kristine Karch, Lucas Wirl (int'l. network No to War – no to NATO) and NN Polen
- 15:00 **Exchange of experiences and visions**
Representatives from different peace organizations
Discussions
- 16:00 **Conclusions**

Location

Mötesplatsen, Södra Allégatan 1, Göteborg

Accommodation

For international participants we can arrange lodging in private houses.

Fees

The meetings are free.

To the foreign participants of the seminar "European security and EU and NATO"

You are most welcome to the seminar on the May, 14th in Göteborg. The day before we are going to have a network meeting and discuss the alternative NATO Meeting in Warsaw in July.

The network meeting will be hold in Brännö in the archipelago of Göteborg and the seminar is in the center. More information below.

Registration

We would like those persons, who intend to participate, to inform us by mail to Per Hernmar, perhernmar@hotmail.com.
Internationals, we wish you to tell us, when you are coming and leaving.

Information

Further information can be reach by mail to perhernmar@hotmail.com.

Practical information

Friday

If you come with air plane there is a bus to the central station (25 minutes). Out side the front of the station (Drottningtorget) you take the tram 11 at 14.54 to Saltholmen (last stop). There you take the boat to Brännö Husvik at 15. 35. Somebody from our group will be there. If you are coming later please contact **Ingela +46 706 172 627** or **Per +46 704 715 418** and we will help you.

We will arrange for our foreign guests to stay in Brännö in private home over the night.

Saturday

The seminar is between 11.00 and 16:00 close to Järntorget – 15 minutes with tram from central station. The conference room is equipped with all common technicalities.

If you need to stay over night till Sunday please tell us and we will try to fix it.

You are most welcome!

Ingela Mårtensson

Per Hernmar