

NEUTRALITY AND EUROPEAN SECURITY GOVERNANCE DURING AND AFTER THE COLD WAR

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Monday, April 6, 2009 and Tuesday, April 7, 2009

**UNESCO Amphitheater, Europa Building
University of Nicosia**

Monday, April 6:

Opening Address:

18:00–18:15 **Petros M. Kareklas**
Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Defense of the Republic of Cyprus

Chair: **Andreas Theophanous**
*Director, Cyprus Center for European and International Affairs
University of Nicosia, Cyprus*

OPENING SESSION

18:15–18:35 **James Sperling**
University of Akron, USA
“The Legal and Diplomatic Origins and Practice of Neutrality in the Westphalian State System”

18:35–18:45 **S. Victor Papacosma**
Director Lyman L. Lemnitzer Center for NATO and European Union Studies, Kent State University, USA
“Europe’s Neutral and Nonaligned States: Between NATO and the Warsaw Pact”

18:45–19:05 **Discussion**

19:05–19:25 **Coffee Break**

SESSION I: THE PRINCIPLED NEUTRALS: SWEDEN AND SWITZERLAND

Chair: **S. Victor Papacosma**
Director Lyman L. Lemnitzer Center for NATO and European Union Studies, Kent State University, USA

19:25–19:45 **Kjell Engelbrekt**
Swedish National Defense College, Sweden
“From Neutrality to Solidarity: Swedish Security Policy after EU Accession”

19:45–20:05 **Thomas Fischer**
Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Switzerland
“A Difficult Farewell to a National Myth: Switzerland’s Neutrality in the Process of Adaptation to the Post-Cold War World”

20:05–20:25 **Discussion**

Tuesday, April 7:

SESSION II: THE COLD WAR NEUTRALS: AUSTRIA AND FINLAND

Chair: **S. Victor Papacosma**
Director Lyman L. Lemnitzer Center for NATO and European Union Studies, Kent State University, USA

09:00–09:20 **Klaus Larres**
University of Ulster, N. Ireland/UK
“Austria -- A Semi-Neutral Country?”

09:20–09:40 **Amikam Nachmani**
Bar Ilan University, Israel
“From Finlandization to Entanglement in the Post-Cold War Era”

09:40–10:00 **Discussion**

10:00–10:20 **Coffee Break**

SESSION III: THE POST-COLONIAL NEUTRALS: CYPRUS, IRELAND AND MALTA

Chair: **James Sperling**
University of Akron, USA

10:20–10:40 **Andreas Theophanous and Emiliios Solomou**
University of Nicosia, Cyprus
“Cyprus Foreign and Security Policy During and After the end of the Cold War: The Rhetoric Vs the Record”

10:40–11:00 **Sean Kay**
Ohio Wesleyan University, USA
“Ireland: Practical Alignment, Political Neutrality”

11:00–11:20 **Roderick Pace**
University of Malta, Malta
“Malta’s Neutrality and Non-Alignment During and After the Cold War”

11:20–11:40 **Discussion**

11:40–12:00 **Coffee Break**

SESSION IV: THE NEUTRALS AND THE INSTITUTIONS OF EUROPEAN SECURITY GOVERNANCE: NATO, THE EU, OSCE, AND THE UN

Chair: **S. Victor Papacosma**
Director Lyman L. Lemnitzer Center for NATO and European Union Studies, Kent State University, USA

12:00–12:20 **Dimitris Bourantonis and Spyros Blavoukos**
Athens University of Economics and Business, Greece
“Neutrals’ and the Development of CFSP-ESDP: Any Contribution at All?”

12:20–12:40 **Andrew Cottey**
University College, Dublin, Ireland
“NATO and the Neutrals: Free-riders or Proto-allies?”

12:40–13:00 **Discussion**

Chair: **Andreas Theophanous**
University of Nicosia, Cyprus

15:00–15:20 **James Sperling**
University of Akron, USA
“Neutrals in the EU: Security Consumers or Providers?”

15:20–15:40 **Kostas Ifantis** and **Sotiris Serbos**
National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece *Democritus University of Thrace, Greece*
“The Role of Neutral Players in the European Security Architecture: The Case of CSCE/OSCE”

15:40–16:00 **Discussion**

16:00–16:20 **S. Victor Papacosma, James Sperling, and Andreas Theophanous**
Kent State University, University of Akron, and University of Nicosia

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