



Speaker bios: The Future of the UN in International Peace and Security

Key note speaker and host

Jan Eliasson is a Swedish diplomat and, as of 1 June 2017, the Chair of the SIPRI Governing Board. He was Deputy Secretary-General of the United Nations from July 2012 to December 2016 and Sweden's Minister of Foreign Affairs in 2006. Furthermore, he was President of the 60th session of the UN General Assembly in 2005–06; the UN Secretary-General's Special Envoy for Darfur in 2007–08; the first UN Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs, 1992–94; and participated, 1980–86, in the UN mission mediating in the Iran–Iraq War, which was headed by former Prime Minister Olof Palme of Sweden.

 @JanKEliasson

Mogens Lykketoft holds a M.Sc. in Economy from University of Copenhagen. Mr. Lykketoft has been a Member of Parliament for the Social Democrats since 1981, and has served as Minister of Taxation, Finance Minister, and Minister for Foreign Affairs. On 15 June 2015, the United Nations General Assembly elected Mogens Lykketoft to serve as the President of its seventieth session, which ran from September 2015 to September 2016. At the time of his election, Mr. Lykketoft was the Speaker (President) of the Danish Parliament, a position had held since 2011.

 @lykketoft

Theme 1 – the UN's position in the new global order

Thomas G. Weiss holds an M.A. and a Ph.D. from Princeton University and a B.A. from Harvard University. Dr. Weiss is Presidential Professor at the Graduate Institute, City University of New York, and a leading expert on the United Nations and on humanitarian intervention. His latest authored books are *Would the World Be Better without the UN?* (2018); *What's Wrong with the United Nations and How to Fix It* (2016); and *Humanitarian Intervention* (2016). Weiss directed the research team that popularized the concept of Responsibility to Protect (R2P), and he has shown in numerous works that a well-grounded interpretation of sovereignty does not preclude intervention in the face of mass atrocities.


Ellen Margrethe Løj holds a M.Sc. in Economics from the University of Copenhagen. Ambassador Løj began her diplomatic career in 1973. From 1989 to 1992 she was Denmark's ambassador in Israel, and from 2001-2007 Permanent Representative to the United Nations in New York, including as Denmark's representative to the United Nations Security Council in 2005-06, which is the last time Denmark was a member. From 2008-12, Ambassador Løj was appointed head of the United Nations in Liberia as Special Representative of the Secretary-General. From 2014-16, she was Special Representative and Head of Mission for UNMISS in South Sudan.

Ole Wæver holds a M.Sc. and a Ph.D. from University of Copenhagen. Dr. Wæver is Professor of International Relations at the Department of Political Science, University of

Copenhagen. He is the founder of CAST, Centre for Advanced Security Theory, and Director of CRIC, Centre for Resolution of International Conflicts. His latest authored books include *Assembling Exclusive Expertise: Knowledge, Ignorance and Conflict Resolution in the Global South* (2018) and *International Leadership and Global Governance* (2017).

 @ole_waever

Louise Riis Andersen (moderator) is a senior researcher at the Danish Institute for International Studies (DIIS). Dr. Andersen's research focuses on global governance and the crisis of liberal order. She has written extensively on topics such as UN peacekeeping, fragile states, security sector reform, state building, Sustainable Development Goals, the principle of Responsibility to Protect, and Danish foreign policy.

 @louise_riis

Theme 2 - The UN's conflict management

Michael Anker Lollesgaard has over 30 years of military experience in the Danish Armed Forces. His service record includes being Force Commander of MINUSMA (The United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali) from 2015-2016. Currently, Lieutenant General Lollesgaard serves as the Danish military representative to the EU and NATO.

Emily Paddon Rhoads holds her M.Phil. and Ph.D. from the University of Oxford and her B.A. from Brown University. Dr. Rhoads is Assistant Professor of Political Science at Swarthmore College. Her research analyses the impact of the increased prominence of human rights in the theory and practice of armed conflict

as well as civilian agency in contemporary conflict. She is the author of *"Taking Sides in Peacekeeping: Impartiality and the Future of the United Nations"* (Oxford University Press, 2016) and several articles on civilian self-protection, humanitarianism and peacekeeping.

Bertrand Ramcharan holds a Doctorate in international law from the London School of Economics. Dr. Ramcharan has extensive experience from 32 years of UN service. He served as Deputy and then Acting UN High Commissioner for Human Rights (2003–2004). Additionally, he has held senior positions in the Department of Political Affairs and in UNPROFOR, the United Nations peacekeeping operation in the Former Yugoslavia, and as head of the speech-writing service of the Secretary-General of the United Nations. Furthermore, Dr. Ramcharan is the author of numerous books on international law, preventive diplomacy, and human rights. Today, Dr. Ramcharan is an honorary professor at the department of Politics and International Relations, Dundee University.

Ingvild Bode (moderator) is a senior lecturer at the University of Kent and an elected member of the Board of Directors, Academic Council on the United Nations System. Dr. Bode's research agenda covers the area of peace and security. Specifically, she focuses on processes of policy evolution at the United Nations, US practices towards altering the UN Charter's use-of-force regime, and the roles and functions of narratives in conflicts. Currently, she also works on the impact that lethal autonomous weapons systems may have on international norms. Additionally, she is the author of *Individual Agency and Policy Change at the United Nations*

(2015) and the co-author of *Governing the Use-of-Force: The Post-9/11 US Challenge on International Law* (2014).

 @IngvildBode

Theme 3 – The UN’s reforms: Progress or deadlock?

Sam Daws holds degrees in Social Anthropology and International Conflict Analysis. Mr. Daws is Director of the Project on UN Governance and Reform at the Centre for International Studies, Oxford University. Mr. Daws has three decades of experience in UN-related policy roles, including as Deputy Director in the UK Cabinet Office supporting the Prime Minister’s role as Co-Chair of the UN Panel on the creation of the Sustainable Development Goals (2012-2013). Mr. Daws’ latest edited and authored books include *The Oxford Handbook on the United Nations* (2018) and eight volumes on *The United Nations* (2000-2015).

 @samdaws

Raimonda Murmokaite is Director of the Security Policy Department at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Lithuania. Previously, Ambassador Murmokaite served as Permanent Representative to the UN from 2012 – 2017. In the period from 2014-2015, when Lithuania was a member of the UN Security Council, she represented Lithuania, including by being a strong voice on accountability, protection of civilians, and the rule of law.

 @RaMurmoka

Sebastian von Einsiedel holds M.A. degrees in International Relations from Columbia University and in Political Science from the Ludwig Maximilians University, Munich. He is the Vice-Rector in Europe for the United Nations University. Previously,

he served as Director of the Tokyo-based UN University’s Centre for Policy Research (UNU-CPR) from its inception in 2014 until its merger with the UNU Office in New York in the beginning of 2018. Among his many publications, he is editor of *The UN Security Council in the 21st Century*. Furthermore, Einsiedel has more than a decade of working experience with the United Nations.

 @seinsiedel

Kurt Mosgaard (moderator) was a major general in the Danish Armed Forces, and has extensive experience from UN peacekeeping operations in the Balkans and in Africa. Mr. Mosgaard’s service record includes the role of Force Commander of the UN mission in West Sahara (MINURSO) from 2005-2007. Among other positions, Mr. Mosgaard was commander of the UN’s Multinational Standby High Readiness Brigade and handled Danish support to international military capacity building and cooperation in East Africa. Today, Mr. Mosgaard is the CEO and founder of Mosgaard Consulting – Peace and Security, and board member of the Danish UN Association.

Political debate on Denmark and the future of the UN in peace and security

Henrik Dahl has been a member of parliament for Liberal Alliance since 2015. Today, Mr. Dahl is the spokesperson for Liberal Alliance on foreign affairs, education and research, EU affairs, and citizenship issues.

 @sociologenHD

Eva Flyvholm has been a member of parliament for the Red-Green Alliance since 2015. Today, Mrs. Flyvholm is spokesperson of Red-Green Alliance on foreign affairs, defence, emergency issues, IT, and telecommunication.

 @EvaFlyvholm

Nick Hækkerup has been a member of parliament for the Social Democrats since 2007. During this period Mr. Hækkerup has served as Minister of Defense, Minister for Trade and European affairs, as well as Minister for Health and Prevention. Today, Mr. Hækkerup is the spokesperson on foreign affairs, development, and constitutional issues.

Michael Aastrup Jensen has been a member of parliament for Venstre since 2007. Today, Mr. Jensen is the spokesperson for Venstre on foreign affairs and development.

 @michaelaastrup


Naser Khader has been a member of parliament since 2001. Today, Mr. Khader is spokesperson for the Conservative People's Party on several issues including foreign affairs, defence, human rights, and media.

 @naserkhaderdk

Martin Lidegaard has been member of parliament for the Social Liberal Party in the period 2001-2007 and again since 2015. Mr. Lidegaard has served as Minister of Foreign Affairs and Minister for Energy, Climate and Buildings. Today, Mr. Lidegaard is the spokesperson on foreign affairs, financial affairs, as well as development.

 @martinlidegaard

Rasmus Nordqvist has been a member of parliament since 2015. Today, Mr. Nordqvist is the spokesperson for The Alternative on several issues, including foreign affairs, defense, European affairs, peace, and LGBTQI.

 @rasmusnordqvist

Henrik Breitenbauch (moderator) holds a Ph.D. in political science from University of Copenhagen and an M.A. in European Studies from Aarhus University. Dr. Breitenbauch is Director of the Centre for Military Studies. Furthermore, Dr. Breitenbauch is a researcher and policy analyst with a track record of international and domestic agenda setting in defence and security studies, strategy processes, as well as national security and defence planning.

 @breitenbauch