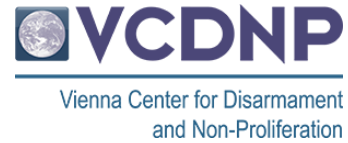




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U.S.-European Security Relations under the New Administration

Panel discussion:

Opening remarks: **Laura Rockwood**, Vienna Center for Disarmament and Non-Proliferation (VCDNP), Executive Director

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Heinz Gärtner, University of Vienna, International Institute for Peace (IIP)

Moderation: **Markus Kornprobst**, Diplomatic Academy of Vienna

Time: June 7, 12.30 pm

Venue: International Institute for Peace (IIP), Möllwaldplatz 2/5, 1040 Vienna

In his speech in Prague in April 2009 US-President Obama presented the vision of a world without nuclear weapons. What are the options for the US Administration under President Trump regarding nuclear weapons?

Recent developments might have an impact on US-European security relations: The Preparatory Committee for the Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT) held its first session in May 2017 in Vienna. Two more will take place prior to the 2020 Review Conference, which will discuss the implementation of the NPT. Currently UN negotiations are taking place on a treaty to prohibit nuclear weapons under international law. This first negotiation session showed that the 132 participating countries share a vision for a world without nuclear weapons. Austria was one of the initiators of this process and remains a strong supporter.

Other issues important for US- European relations are the link between talks on conventional arms (CFE) taking place within the framework of the OSCE in Vienna and nuclear disarmament, as well as the future of the 2015 Vienna Agreement “Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action” (JCPOA) with Iran after the Iranian elections.

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