



RALF DAHRENDORF **ROUNDTABLES**

Finland, Sweden & NATO - Did Trump change everything?

This book-launch event aims at examining whether the US administration's foreign and security policy has had an effect on the security situation of the Baltic Sea region and on Finland's and Sweden's willingness to join NATO and to participate in NATO-led exercises. It also analyzes how European security cooperation is developing. The authors will have the chance to present their contribution to the publication and to discuss the above-mentioned issues from a Finnish, Swedish, European and American perspective.

ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

15.2.2018 | 9.30 – 13.45

THE PARLIAMENT OF SWEDEN, RIKSGATAN 1, STOCKHOLM

AND

THE CENTRE PARTY'S NATIONAL OFFICE, STORA NYGATAN 4, STOCKHOLM

09:30 BREAKFAST at the Parliament of Sweden with Members of The Centre Party's Executive Board

11:30 SEMINAR & LUNCH at the Centre Party's National Office

12:00 Opening Remarks

Kerstin Lundgren, Member of Parliament, The Centre Party, Sweden

12:10 "The NATO debate During the Presidential Elections in Finland"

Anna Kronlund, Postdoctoral researcher, John Morton Center for North American Studies at the University of Turku, Finland

12:20 "The NATO question in Sweden under the Trump presidency?"

Magnus Christiansson, Postgraduate Researcher, Swedish Defence University and University of Stockholm, Sweden

12:30 "Finland and Sweden as seen from Washington in 2018?"

Andras Simonyi, Managing Director, Center for Transatlantic Relations, SAIS, Washington DC, USA



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12:40 “Sweden’s role in a new era“.

Katarina Tracz, Director, Stockholm Free World Forum, Sweden

12:50 Panel Discussion

Moderator: Kerstin Lundgren, Member of Parliament, The Centre Party, Sweden

13.20 Q&A

13.45 END OF THE DAY

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ABOUT THE RALF DAHRENDORF ROUNDTABLES

By connecting the roundtable series with the name of Lord Dahrendorf, ELF wishes to underline his achievements. In his many functions he championed liberal democracy and European integration. He consistently promoted the role of the EU as a guarantor of human rights and liberty. His wide experience combining science and politics provided an excellent background to his activity in the German Parliament for the liberal Free Democratic Party, as European Commissioner, as member of the British House of Lords and as Chairman of the Board of the Friedrich Naumann Foundation (1982-1987).

During his four years in Brussels (1970 – 1974), Lord Dahrendorf was responsible for the European Community’s Foreign Relations and Trade, and later for Research, Science and



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Education. He actively supported a stronger Europe. As Commissioner he was a sharp critic of European Union bureaucracy while he was passionately in favour of a European Parliament exercising greater power.