



# PALERMO ATLANTIC FORUM

*New Perspectives of Security and Cooperation  
in the Mediterranean, Middle East and Asia*

Palazzo dei Normanni, October 4 - 7, 2007

## **TENTATIVE PROGRAM**

(upd. August 14)

*Organized by the Italian Atlantic Committee  
in cooperation with the Atlantic Treaty Association  
With the support of the US Mission to NATO and the US Embassy in Italy*

### **Thursday 4**

a.m. / p.m. Participants arrival  
07.00-08.30 p.m. Welcome cocktail

### **Friday 5**

(Palazzo dei Normanni)

#### **Opening Ceremony**

09.30 a.m. Welcome addresses:  
Hon. Prof. Enrico LA LOGGIA  
*President of the Italian Atlantic Committee*  
10.15 a.m. Hon. Gianfranco MICCICHE'  
*President of the Sicilian Region Assembly*  
Amb. Robert H. HUNTER  
*President of the Atlantic Treaty Association*  
11.15 a.m. Hon. Diego CAMMARATA  
*Mayor of Palermo*  
11.45 a.m. Hon. Francesco MUSOTTO  
*President of the Palermo Provincial Authority*  
01.30 p.m. Hon. Salvatore CUFFARO  
*President of the Sicilian Region*

#### **Opening Plenary Session**

10.15 a.m. Keynote address:  
Amb. Alessandro MINUTO RIZZO  
*NATO Deputy Secretary General*  
11.15 a.m. Hon. Franco FRATTINI \*  
*Vice President of the European Commission*  
11.45 a.m. Sen. Teodor MELESCANU  
*Minister of Defense of Romania*  
Representative of the Gulf Cooperation Council  
Representative of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization  
Representative of the Russian Federation  
Representative of U.S.  
Representative of Italy

#### **First Forum**

#### **Stabilization and Reconstruction: the Role of NATO and International Organizations**

Chairman and introduction: Prof. AntonGiulio DE'ROBERTIS  
*Institute for International Law Studies*  
*Italian National Research Center*

#### **Working dinner: The Italian Contribution to the Stabilization of Lebanon**

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#### **Second Forum**

#### **Security and Cooperation in the Mediterranean and Middle East**

Chairman and introduction: Adm. Ferdinando SANFELICE DI MONTEFORTE  
*Italian Military Representative to NATO and EU*

#### **Panel A: Mediterranean Dialogue**

#### **Panel B: Istanbul Cooperation Initiative**

11.00 a.m. Working lunch  
12.15 a.m.  
01.30 p.m.

#### **Third Forum**

#### **Security and Cooperation in Central and Southern Asia**

Chairman and introduction: Maj. Gen. Giovanni MARIZZA  
*Chairman NATO PBIST Working Group*

#### **Closing Plenary Session**

Closing remarks:  
Mr. Fabrizio W. LUCIOLLI  
*Secretary General of the Italian Atlantic Committee*  
Mr. Trøels FRØLLING  
*Secretary General of the Atlantic Treaty Association*  
Hon. Prof. Enrico LA LOGGIA  
*President of the Italian Atlantic Committee*  
Evening free

### **Sunday 7**

Excursion to Monreale / Departure of participants

\* videoconference