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Polish-Swedish Perspectives on Regional Preparedness and Strategic Cooperation – Gotland as a Case Study

Uppsala University – Campus Gotland, Room E31

The discussion is held under the Chatham House Rule

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Programme

9:30	Registration and welcome coffee
10:00	Welcome remarks
10:15–11:15	Panel 1 – Baltic Sea Security and Polish–Swedish Defence Cooperation
11:15–11:45	Coffee break (fika)
11:45–12:50	Panel 2 – Civil Preparedness and Resilience: Lessons from Gotland and Poland
12:50	Closing remarks
13:00	Closing of the seminar

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Opening · 10:00

Welcome remarks

Karolina Ostrzyniewska

Ambassador of the Republic of Poland to Sweden

Charlotte Petri Gornitzka

County Governor of Gotland

Dr Grzegorz Gil

Director, Institute of Central Europe

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Panel 1 · 10:15–11:15

Baltic Sea Security and Polish–Swedish Defence Cooperation

Moderator: Dr Damian Szacawa, Institute of Central Europe

Johannes Carlberg	Ministry of Defence of Sweden
Gustav Lindström	Council of the Baltic Sea States (CBSS)
Dr Peter Mattsson	Swedish Defence University
Piotr Szymański	Centre for Eastern Studies (OSW)
Elisabeth Terenius	Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Sweden

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Coffee break

Fika

11:15–11:45

Panel 2 starts at 11:45.

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Panel 2 · 11:45–12:50

Civil Preparedness and Resilience: Lessons from Gotland and Poland

Moderator: Prof. Charles Parker, Uppsala University

Maja Allard	Resilient Community AB
Dr Amy Rankin	County Administrative Board of Gotland
Peter Schöön	Region Gotland
Hanna Waerland-Fager	Swedish Civil Defence and Resilience Agency (MCF)
LTC Dr Marek Wnęk	State Fire Service of Poland

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Discussion

Questions from the floor

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Closing · 12:50

Closing remarks

Dr Damian Szacawa and Prof. Charles Parker

Panel moderators

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