



NATO TALK  
*around the* BRANDENBURGER TOR  
BERLIN

## A NEW NATO FOR NEW CHALLENGES?

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### NATO's Future: Call for Applications

On November 14, the German Atlantic Association, the Federal Academy for Security Policy, and the Embassy of the United Kingdom in Berlin co-host an international conference in Berlin addressing the outcomes of the NATO Summit in Warsaw 2016 against the background of rapid changes in the alliance's security environment. Supported by the Press and Information Office of the Federal Government and NATO, high-ranking politicians, diplomats, military officials, and representatives from academia and civil society, will discuss the implementation process as well as future challenges to the alliance.

In order to foster the understanding of security politics, to establish an international dialogue among the younger generation, and to connect emerging leaders from NATO member and partner countries with senior decision-makers, YATA Germany will host a seminar from **12 – 14 November 2016** focusing on key issues of transatlantic security. In an open and competitive call for panels, the members of YATA Germany chose three topics on the basis of their ideas and expectations through the lens of NATO's future:

1. **"How to deter digital warriors? NATO and the cyberspace"**
2. **"In for the long run? NATO's future role in crisis management"**
3. **"Enlargement, enablement, entrapment? NATO's future approach to cooperative security"**

To each session, senior political and military experts will be invited to discuss with the group the ideas and recommendations of young scholars and experts in the field (see the [agenda](#)).

Given the special location of the conference, we are happy to provide our guests with an exclusive tour of the German capital on November 12. All NATO's Future seminar participants will also participate in the main conference "NATO 4.0 - A new NATO for new Challenges?" on November 14 at the Hotel Adlon Kempinski, including the closing reception at the Embassy of the United Kingdom in Berlin.



## Eligibility

- Students with an academic background in International Relations and Security Studies and young professionals who have begun a career in a related field
- Between 18 and 35 years of age
- NATO or PfP country citizenship
- Past experience and/or studies relating to: security or defense policy; democratic transitions; international law; humanitarian issues; or any other fields of relevance to the transatlantic partnership.
- Working knowledge of English (German is not mandatory)
- There is no participation fee for the seminar. YATA Germany will offer travel reimbursements of up to €100/€200 (national/international), provided that participants will choose affordable travel options. We will also provide accommodation in central Berlin from November 12 to 15.

## Application

- Candidates are asked to send in the following items to [yata.ger@gmail.com](mailto:yata.ger@gmail.com) by **September 18** as a single pdf file
  - a **SHORT CV** (in English)
  - a **COVER LETTER** indicating the candidates' motivation of participation and a preference for one of the three working groups (*Cyber Security, Crisis Management, Partnerships*)
  - an **ABSTRACT** (140 word long) outlining the main arguments of the participant's essay.
- Selected participants are expected to submit their original **ESSAYS**, reflecting their views on one of the three policy questions outlined above as well as three to five specific policy recommendations for NATO, member states, and partners (5,000 characters), which will be published in a special volume of the conference report and the Atlantic Treaty Association's "[Atlantic Voices](#)" Journal.

Successful applicants will be informed by **September 23** and are requested to send in the final essays **by October 7**.

For any further questions and information,  
get in touch with us on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#) or via [yata.ger@gmail.com](mailto:yata.ger@gmail.com)

*We look forward to welcoming you in Berlin!*

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