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EU Eastern Partnership - Azerbaijan: Challenges and Perspectives

13 December 2011 (Tuesday)

The National School of Public Administration (KSAP)
56, Wawelska Street, Warsaw

The conference will be held in English

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Programme

9:00-9:15: **Opening remarks**

- **H.E. Hasan Hasanov**, Ambassador of Azerbaijan to Poland
- **Gulshan Pashayeva**, Deputy Director of the Center for Strategic Studies under the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan (SAM)
- **Rafał Parczewski**, Deputy Director of the Polish Institute of International Affairs
- **Marek Haliniak**, Deputy Director of the National School of Public Administration

9:15-10:45: **Session I: Azerbaijan and the EU: Energy security and Economic cooperation**

The positive and negative consequences of exports of natural resources for Azerbaijan's economy. The importance of Azerbaijan for the EU's energy security as well as perspectives for a South Corridor and new energy transit project opportunities and obstacles. The possibility to use LNG and CNG facilities on the Black Sea. Azerbaijan–EU trade relations and whether Azerbaijan will join the WTO.

Moderator: Tomasz Sikorski, Research Fellow, the Polish Institute of International Affairs

Speakers:

- **Tomasz Chmal**, expert on energy security, the Sobieski Institute
- **Vusal Gasimli**, Leading Research Fellow, Economic Analysis and Global Affairs Department, Center for Strategic Studies (SAM)
- **Maciej Woźniak**, independent expert on energy security

10:45-11:15: **Coffee break**

11:15-12:45: **Session II: The Eastern Partnership: Expectations, Challenges, and Opportunities**

The Eastern Partnership: institutions, procedures and flagship initiatives. What are Azerbaijani expectations for the Eastern Partnership? What is the assessment of the project's implementation? Which of the Polish experiences are the most valuable for Azerbaijan? Which projects are perceived to be the most useful? What changes in Azerbaijan can be stimulated by the Eastern Partnership?

Moderator: Rafał Sadowski, Centre for Eastern Studies

Speakers:

- **Jarosław Dziędzic**, Head of Eastern Partnership Unit, Eastern Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Poland
- **Aygun Hajiyeva**, Director of Executive Education, Azerbaijan Diplomatic Academy
- **Reshad Kerimov**, Leading Research Fellow, Foreign Policy Analysis Department, Center for Strategic Studies under the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan (SAM)
- **Igor Lyubashenko**, Research Fellow, expert on the EU Neighbourhood Policy, the Polish Institute of International Affairs

12:45-13:00: **Closing remarks**

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13:00-14:00: **Lunch**