



EXTERNAL MEETING OF THE
EPP WORKING GROUP FOR EXTERNAL POLICIES
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ENHANCING DETERRENCE, DEFENCE CAPABILITIES
AND STRATEGIC RESILIENCE
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External Meeting of the Working Group External Policies “SECURING EUROPE'S EASTERN FLANK: ENHANCING DETERRENCE, DEFENCE CAPABILITIES, AND STRATEGIC RESILIENCE”

18 September 2026, WARSAW, Poland
Grand Ballroom, Sheraton Grand Warsaw
Ul. B. Prusa 2, Warsaw, 00-493, Poland
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Friday, 18 September 2026

09:00 *Registration desk open*

09:30-09:40 Opening and welcome remarks

Andrzej HALICKI MEP, Vice-Chair of the EPP Group for External Policies, Chair of the Polish Delegation in the EPP Group (KO)

Adam JARUBAS MEP, Co-Chair of the Polish Delegation in the EPP Group (PSL)

09:40-11:00 **Panel I: A SAFE Europe - serving Europe's resilience, deterrence and defence**

Moderated by

Rasa JUKNEVIČIENĖ MEP, EPP Group Vice-Coordinator for Security and Defence

Speakers

Andrius KUBILIUS, European Commissioner for Defence and Space (video message)

Magdalena SOBKOWIAK-CZARNECKA, Deputy Minister, Secretary of State at the Ministry of National Defence of Poland

Arkadiusz BĄK, First Vice-President of the Management Board at Polish Armaments Group

Dalibor ROHAC, Head of Research at GLOBSEC Prague

Open debate

11:00-11:30 *Coffee break*

11:30-12:50 **Panel II: Enlargement: Strength through widening: from a policy of enlargement to a strategy of influence**

Moderated by

Ingeborg TER LAAK MEP, Member of the Committee on Foreign Affairs in the EP

Speakers

Sargis KHANDANYAN MP, Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee, Armenian Parliament

Ivanna KLYMPUSH-TSINTSADZE MP, Chair of the Committee on Ukraine's Integration into the EU (remote connection)

Adrian BĂLUȚEL MP, Deputy Chair of the Foreign Affairs Committee, Moldovan Parliament

Paweł KOWAL MP, Chair of the Foreign Affairs Committee, Polish Parliament (Tbc)

Open debate

12:50-13:20 Special intervention

Władysław KOSINIAK-KAMYSZ, Deputy Prime Minister of Poland, Minister of National Defence of Poland

13:20-13:30 Closing remarks

Andrzej HALICKI MEP, Vice-Chair of the EPP Group for External Policies, Head of the Polish Delegation in the EPP Group

13:30 Lunch

Sheraton Grand Hotel