



-Strategic Policy Institute -

STRATPOL Summer University for Young Professionals

“Central Europe in the Age of Hybrid Security Threats”

Call for Applications

STRATPOL Summer University is tailored for young professionals within the field of international relations, political science, security studies and other relevant fields primarily from V4, Ukraine, Western Balkans and other partner countries. Event is designed as a high-profile interactive course consisting of study visits, lectures, workshops and discussions led by international experts with proven background in decision-making, diplomacy, academia, NGOs and media.

Our Summer School has a long tradition and has become a household name in Central European context. In the past editions more than 300 young professionals have joined us for insightful lectures, enriching debates and informal discussions in the beautiful environment of the Tatra mountains.

Date: June 24th – July 1st 2017

Venue: Armed Forces Academy, Liptovský Mikuláš, Slovakia

Price: 150 EUR (Accommodation, local transport and three meals per day will be fully covered. Organizers will be able to partly cover the travel costs of participants to Liptovský Mikuláš. Applicants will be contacted with specific information).

Topics discussed

- NATO's Response to Hybrid Threats
- Disinformation and Propaganda in Central Europe
- Extremism and Political Violence in V4 Countries
- NATO's Efforts to Reinforce Eastern Flank
- Ukraine's Road to Reforms
- Return of Geopolitics: Implications for Central Europe
- Transatlantic relations under the Trump administration
- Future of EU Defense Cooperation

One whole day will be dedicated to a visit to the Slovak Air Force Base in Sliač.

To apply, please email to office@stratpol.sk your professional CV along with an essay (1800 characters max.) on topic *What Are Most Imminent Hybrid Threats to Central Europe and how to counter them?* The deadline for sending applications is **May 24, 2017**. Successful applicants will be notified by the end of May.