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**The Summer School for Young Professionals 2009– Introduction into Security Policy**, with the topic **CURRENT SECURITY CHALLENGES** as the main theme, takes place on **27 June – 4 July 2009** at the National Academy of Defence (NAD) in Liptovský Mikuláš, Slovakia and in the National Institute for Security Studies in Uzghorod, Ukraine. It is a weeklong forum that is focused on the current challenges of international security policy. The structure of the teaching at the summer school is aimed to provide you with fundamental knowledge concerning security policy, including the main actors of security policy in Europe; main security threats of today such as terrorism, proliferation of WMD, illegal migration and extremism; and input with regard to the major conflict regions of the world which pose risks to global security.

One of the main objectives of this international summer school is the preparation of young professionals – future leaders from the abovementioned regions – to be able to act within the area of foreign and security policy. Interactive discussions and lectures led by top speakers from various international and Slovak organizations will therefore focus on open exchange of ideas and interaction of participants from different backgrounds. Next to the seminars there will be many side activities, dynamic workshops, trip to nearby High Tatras and city of Liptovský Mikuláš, sport activities, receptions and several others.

Summer school is intended for master and doctoral level students of political science and/or international relations who are interested in the foreign and security policy issues. Up to 30 students from Central Europe, South Eastern Europe and Ukraine will be attending this event. As this summer school implicates English as its working language, your skills in reading, writing, speaking and listening to English have to be at least intermediate. In the end of the week you will receive a certificate which is proving your course attendance and is issued by the National Academy of Defence.

The Summer school for young professionals will challenge you in many ways; generally it will test your leadership skills and expose you to cross-cultural experiences. We hope the summer school will be an educational experience you will always remember!

This is the fourth year that the Centre for European and North Atlantic Affairs (CENAA), together with its partner NAD, is organizing this summer school in Slovakia and the second time that it will also take place in Ukraine. The project is realized with the financial support given by NATO PDD, Friedrich Ebert Stiftung and the Open Society Foundation.