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14th Thessaloniki Symposium on World Affairs

# BEYOND THE OBVIOUS: IMAGINING THE FUTURE

CULTURAL SOCIETY

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## 10:00-10:30
Greetings/ Welcome

## 10:30-12:00
The politics of new challenges (war, immigration, digital transition and AI)

**Speakers**

**Mikko Hautala**
Chief Geopolitical & Government Relations Officer, Nokia Corporation; Chairman, Nokia Defense

**Christina Krause**
Head of Department International Politics and Security Affairs, Konrad Adenauer Stiftung

**Hugo Brady**
Senior Strategic Advisor, International Centre for Migration Policy Development

**Johanna-Kadri Kuusk**
Digital Transformation Adviser, e-Estonia Briefing Centre

**Claire Boine**
Assistant Professor in Technology Law and AI Governance, School of Transnational Governance, European University Institute

**Moderator**

**Christos Aliprantis**
Executive Director of the Michael and Kitty Dukakis Center for Public and Humanitarian Service, Anatolia American University

## 12:00-12:30
Coffee Break

## 12:30-14:00
Geopolitics in Turmoil: Turkey and the Eastern Mediterranean

**Speakers**

**Sinan Ulgen**
Senior Fellow, Carnegie Europe

**Alia Malek**
Director of the International Reporting Program, Craig Newmark Graduate School of Journalism, City University of New York

**Erik Jones**
Director, Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies, European University Institute

**Moderator**

**Kristin Fabbe**
Chair in Business and Comparative Politics, Florence School of Transnational Governance, European University Institute

## 14:00-14:30
## Can we do better?
A fireside chat

**Stavros Andreadis**
Honorary President, Cultural Society

**Dimitris Kairidis**
Member of Parliament (Athens North - ND); Parliamentary Party Spokesperson