

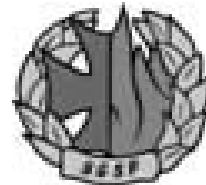
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Rainar is a Project Leader at the Lessons Learned Unit of the Swedish Civil Contingencies Agency. His focus is on safety and risk management at the local level. He acts as coordinator for the APELL (Awareness and Preparedness for Emergencies at Local Level) method and is therefore engaged both in various UNEP and EU projects concerning learning from accidents and crises.

Rainar was involved in the recent modernisation of training for fire fighters in Sweden. Prior to joining the national authority, Rainar worked as Deputy Chief Fire Officer in Alingsås municipality and before that as a navy diver.



Fredrik Bynander - CRISMART, Swedish Defense University

Fredrik is an Associate Professor of Political Science and Research Director at Crismart. He is also Director of the Program Board of the Center for Natural Disaster Science which has been designated a strategic research environment by the Swedish government. In 2009-2011 Fredrik was a Special Adviser at the Prime Minister's Office Secretariat for Crisis Coordination, and in 2011-2012 he was Head of Strategic Planning. In 2003 he defended his dissertation "The Rise and Fall of the Submarine Threat: Threat Politics and Submarine Intrusions in Sweden, 1980-2002" at the Department of Government, Uppsala University. His current research interests include crisis management studies, collaborative crisis management, leadership succession, and foreign policy analysis.



Michał Czyż - Ambassador, Chairman of the Committee of Senior Officials (CBSS)

Michał Czyż first started working for the Polish Ministry of Foreign Affairs in 1980 and now serves as Ambassador for the Baltic Sea Region and the Arctic. He has also served as Consul for the Consulate General of Poland in Chicago, as well as representing the Mission of Poland to the European Union in Brussels as Deputy Head of Mission. During 2005-2010, he was Ambassador of Poland to Sweden.

During the Polish Presidency of the CBSS 2015/2016, Michał Czyż is also holding the position of chairman of the CBSS Committee of Senior Officials.



Ryszard Dąbrowa - Rector Commandant of the Main School of Fire Service (SGSP)

In 1979 he graduated from engineering studies at the Officers School of Fire Service. In 1995 he obtained a diploma from the Administration and Law Faculty at Warsaw University and in 1997 successfully completed his Master's studies at the Main School of Fire Service (SGSP). He began his professional career in 1975 as Unit Commander Assistant at the District Headquarters of the State Fire Service in Nowa Sól. In 1979 he was Inspector of the Voivodeship Headquarters in Legnica and then District Commandant of SFS in Chojnów and Złotoryja. In 1992 he was promoted to the rank of Voivodeship Commandant of SFS in Legnica. In 1999 he held the office of both District Commandant in Legnica and Chief Specialist in Voivodeship Headquarters in Wrocław. From 2002 to 2006 he served as Voivodeship Headquarters Commandant in Gorzów Wielkopolski.



Julia Fredriksson - Swedish Civil Contingencies Agency (MSB)

Julia holds the position of Strategic Adviser on EU and International Issues at the Swedish Civil Contingencies Agency (MSB). She is also the Swedish Coordinator for the Policy Area Secure in the EU's Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region and the Swedish representative at the Barents Joint Rescue Committee. Julia has been working with international co-operation and capacity building in crisis management for many years. Prior to joining MSB in 2000, Julia worked as a Project Leader for a number of EU and World Bank financed projects at the British Embassy in Moscow and as a Lecturer at the Moscow University.



Janusz Gąciarz - Council of the Baltic Sea States Secretariat

Janusz is in charge of the Policy Area Secure team at CBSS. Before joining the CBSS as Senior Adviser for Civil Security, Janusz Gąciarz worked as General Counselor in the Ministry of Interior and Administration and in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Poland.

He participated in the preparation for Poland's accession into the Schengen zone and all negotiations related to further Schengen enlargement. In the last decade, he took part in several international technical assistance programs for Croatia, Moldova, Serbia, and Ukraine, dedicated to building capacities for European integration. In 2013 he participated in the development of the Multiannual Program for Rescue and Civil Protection in Poland, which had been endorsed by Poland's Council of Ministers in 2014.



Bernd Hemingway - Council of the Baltic Sea States Secretariat

Since September 2015, Bernd serves as Deputy Director General of the permanent Secretariat of the Council of the Baltic Sea States. In 2014 and 2015, he was the Director of the Department of Migration Management of the International Organization for Migration in Geneva. Other roles he fulfilled at the IOM were the positions of Regional Director for the European Economic Area, the EU and NATO in Brussels, Regional Representative and Chief of Mission of IOM Brussels and the Chief of Mission of IOM Berlin.

Prior to joining IOM, Bernd worked for more than 3 years as Senior Expert for the Special Coordinator of the Stability Pact for South Eastern Europe. He held various positions at the European Commission, including Task Manager for External Relations and Task Manager for Justice and Home Affairs. Earlier in his career, Mr. Hemingway worked as an Investigator for the Senator of the Interior in Berlin and as a Police Officer for the Ministry of Interior in North Rhine Westphalia.



Anders Jörle - Communications Expert

Until recently Anders worked at the Swedish Space Corporation where he was a member of the executive committee as Advisor on Public Affairs and Corporate Communication. He has served as Head of the Press Department and Spokesperson at the Swedish Ministry for Foreign Affairs, and earlier as Director of Public Communication at the Swedish Nuclear Regulator. He started off his professional career as a staff writer and news editor at the Swedish National News Agency, TT, and newspapers covering subjects like the economy and defense and security policy. After the tsunami in South-East Asia 2004, Anders was appointed to the recovery team of the Swedish Contingencies Agency in Thailand.

As a journalist he covered the Estonia ferry disaster of September 1994 and later co-edited a book about the disaster. Anders now holds lectures on crisis management and communication.



Kjell-Åke Karlsson - Swedish Police

Kjell-Åke Karlsson has been working as a police officer for more than 40 years. During this time he has held several different management positions as a police superintendent. Since 2001 he has worked as Head of the Border Control Unit, at the Border Police Division in Stockholm County, with a focus on border and immigration issues. In parallel with these functions, he has over the years been involved in a number of projects, mainly focusing on the Baltic Sea region. More recently he has worked full-time as project leader on a project called Turnstone, financed by the EU. The Turnstone project is focused on combating cross-border crime in cooperation with law enforcement agencies in the Baltic Sea region.



Piotr Kwiatkowski - State Fire Service Poland

Piotr is Deputy Commandant of the State Fire. He graduated from the Main School of Fire Service in 1979, and has subsequently served as a lecturer at the school. In 1997 he moved to the National Headquarters of the State Fire Service. From 2003 to 2006 he acted as the Director of the Public Safety Department in the Ministry of Interior and Administration. Afterwards he returned to the National Headquarters. Since 2008 he has served as the Deputy Chief Commandant of the State Fire Service and Deputy Chief of the National Civil Defense.



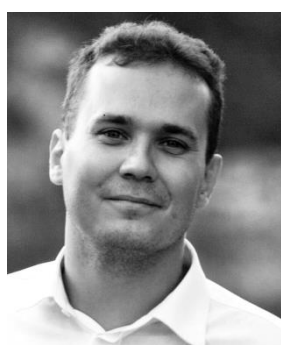
Helena Lindberg - Swedish Civil Contingencies Agency (MSB)

Helena Lindberg is the first Director General for the Swedish Civil Contingencies Agency (MSB) that was established in January 2009. She was previously the Director General for the Swedish Emergency Management Agency and the Swedish Rescue Services Agency. Helena has a Master's Degree in Law. She has worked as an Associate Judge of Appeals and has served as the Deputy Director at the Ministry of Justice and as the Director General for Legal and Administrative Affairs at the Ministry of Defense.



Åsa Lundmark - Swedish Institute

In her capacities as the Head of the Development Programs Unit and the Baltic Sea Unit at the Swedish Institute, Åsa is responsible for the coordination of the Swedish Institute's leadership programs and cultural cooperation. The aim behind these leadership programs is to build relations and maintain long-lasting and active networks involving future leaders and decision makers around the world.



Maciej Mysliwiec - University of Science and Technology (AGH) Poland

Maciej is a sociologist, professionally connected with the Faculty of Humanities at University of Science and Technology (AGH) in Krakow. He is a communication specialist at XTRF Translation Management Systems as well as a lecturer of postgraduate studies "Social Media & Content Marketing". Maciej also provides training for companies and organizations on the topic of communication strategies and community building. Furthermore, Maciej co-founded the NGO "KrakowFoundation for Animals" and has been actively associated with the foundation since 2012. Maciej is board member of the WZMACNIACZ.org association.



Hans Öqvist, Ministry for Enterprise and Innovation, Swedish Government Offices

Hans Öqvist is Deputy Director at the Ministry for Enterprise and Innovation, at the Swedish Government Offices. He is one of three Crisis Management Officers charged with planning and executing exercises. His areas of responsibility also include developing ministry-specific policies and SOPs connected to crisis management as well as liaison work vis-à-vis the government agencies subordinate to the ministry. Hans also coordinates a large part of the communication between the general public and the ministry and its four ministers. Hans has for 20+ years combined his civilian career with parallel part-time duty in the Swedish Armed Forces (Lt. in Army Reserve).



Werner Overdijk - CRISISPLAN

Werner is the co-founder and Director of Crisisplan BV. He has worked as an adviser in the field of crisis management since 1992. His areas of expertise are disaster relief, counter-terrorism, crisis communication, control of infectious diseases, animal health, food safety and protection of the national infrastructure. Werner has extensive knowledge of both the political-administrative and operational processes that are crucial before, during and after crisis situations. He specializes in developing scenarios, workshops, training courses and large-scale simulations for senior executives, governing councils and management teams. He has been involved in EU exercises concerning outbreaks of infectious diseases (human as well as animal), cyber security, and critical infrastructures. He has also published several articles in academic journals (on simulations and disaster relief).



Jacek Paszkowski - Council of the Baltic Sea States Secretariat

Jacek holds the position of Adviser in Policy Area Secure at CBSS. He has a broad experience of capacity building and project development in the EUSBSR context since the early days of the strategy. He is also the Flagship Leader of the Baltic Leadership Program in Civil Protection under PA Secure. Previously he has worked as Horizontal Action Coordinator for HA Capacity at the Swedish Institute.

Jacek has subsequently worked on linking processes that create coherent approaches to networking and cooperation and that engage relevant stakeholders from all levels of governance.



Grzegorz Poznański - Polish Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Grzegorz is Deputy Director and responsible for relations with Central and Northern Europe. He was Ambassador of Poland to Estonia 2010-2014. He works in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Poland since 1997. Grzegorz is an expert specializing in international security, disarmament, non-proliferation and export controls.

In 2002-2006 he worked in the Permanent Representation of Poland to the UN Office in Geneva, and in 2007-2008 Deputy Director of the Security Policy Department at the MFA and member of the UN Panel of Governmental Experts on missiles. In 2008-2010 he was Director of the Diplomatic Security Bureau at the MFA.



Christer Pursiainen - University of Tromsø

Christer is Professor of Societal Safety and Environment in the Department of Engineering, Science and Safety at the Faculty of Science and Technology, University of Tromsø, in Norway. He is also Adjunct Professor of International Relations at the University of Helsinki and holds a doctorate in Political Science from the same university.

His publications include around one hundred scholarly and popular scientific publications, including twelve authored or (co)edited books on a variety of themes such as societal security, crisis management, international relations theory, foreign policy, regional cooperation and integration, comparative politics, state-society relations, and Soviet/Russia's history and politics.



Piotr Rakowski - Polish Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Piotr is a civil servant and diplomat, and currently Deputy Head of Mission in the Polish Embassy in Dublin, Ireland. Prior to this, he headed the Justice and Home Affairs Section in the European Policy Department at the Polish Ministry of Foreign Affairs, was Deputy Director of the Polish Ministry of Interior and Administration, and served as Seconded National Expert at the General Secretariat of the EU Council. Piotr has a PhD in law and his doctoral thesis focused on the international legal status of European Police Office Europol. Piotr is an expert in the theory and practice of international relations and EU affairs and has regularly lectured at the Political Science and International Studies Faculty of the Nicolaus Copernicus University in Toruń, Poland.



Gints Reinsons -Jelgava Municipality

Gints is currently a member of the civil protection commission for Jelgava Municipality which includes Jelgava city, Jelgava district and Ozolnieki district. In this role, he was involved in the ECHO project "The Baltic everyday accidents, disaster prevention and resilience" as well as the project "Liquidation of Ecological Catastrophes and Pollution in the Territory of the Lielupe River Basin" within the Lat-Lit crossborder cooperation program. Gints works with local level civil protection activities, including accident data analysis, prevention, response, and recovery. He has a Bachelor's degree in economics and is currently pursuing Master's studies in sociology at the Latvian University of Agriculture.



Eleka Rugam-Rebane - Communication Unit of the Government of Estonia

Eleka has been working for the Communication Unit of the Government Office of the Republic of Estonia since 1995. During this time, she has been worked in different areas, starting with internal communication as assistant to the Prime Minister and then moving to public consultancy and open government issues. During 2004-2015 she held the position of Information Officer to the Government and focused on crisis communication. Since September 2015 Eleka's main tasks are related to media relations with an emphasis on the Russian-speaking media in Estonia. Eleka holds a Master's degree in Library and Information Science from the University of Borås, Sweden. Since 2010 she has volunteered in organizing a street festival *Night of the Arts - Sleepless* in August in her hometown Pärnu.



Greg Simons - CRISMART, Swedish Defense University

Greg is an Associate Professor and has worked for CRiSMART for the last 10 years. During this time he has been associated with a number of the research projects with several Eastern European counties (incl. Poland, Romania, Russia, and Ukraine). His work has focused upon crisis communication, public diplomacy, and contemporary armed conflict. He has worked with the Council of Europe and the OSCE on individual assignments. Greg is also a researcher at the Uppsala Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies, and is a lecturer at the Faculty of Communication at Turība University in Riga, Latvia.



Witold Skomra - Polish Government Center for Security

Witold is an expert in the field of national security, crisis management, risk analysis and critical infrastructure protection. As an adviser to the Government Center for Security (GCS), he is responsible for the issues related to critical infrastructure protection and risk assessments at the national level as well as civil emergency planning. Apart from his work in the GCS he is an academic lecturer at the University of Information Technology and Management in Rzeszów as well as at National Defence Academy in Warsaw. Witold is a former fire-fighter and Commander-in-Chief of the State Fire Service.



Bengt Sundelius - MSB & CRISMART, Swedish Defence University

Bengt is Professor of Government at Uppsala University and the Swedish Defense University. Since 2010 he has been Strategic Advisor to the Director General of the Swedish Civil Contingencies Agency. He has been Chief Scientist of the Swedish Emergency Management Agency, Head of the Department of Security and Strategy of the Swedish National Defense College, founding Director of the National Center for CRISMART, and Director of Research for Strategy and Security Policy at the Swedish National Defense Research Establishment. Bengt also serves as Agreement Director for the Science and Technology Agreement between the Swedish Government and the U.S. Department of Homeland Security that was established in 2007.



Malgorzata Trzcinska - National Headquarters of the State Fire Service

Malgorzata is Head of Multilateral Cooperation Division of International Cooperation Department of the National Headquarters of the State Fire Service. She has over 12 years of experience in policy development in rescue services within the framework of European collaboration. As an expert in the field of civil protection in Poland and the EU, she has worked as a Civil Protection Committee representative in DG ECHO and as a PROCIV delegate in 2015. When Poland held the EU Presidency in 2011, Malgorzata served as the Civil Protection Attaché in the Permanent Representation of Poland to the European Union in Brussels, responsible for the EU Crisis Coordination Arrangements (CCA) as chief of the working group and areas of civil protection and rescue services.



Jerzy Wolanin – SGSP

Jerzy graduated from Warsaw University in 1973, with a Master's degree in atmosphere physics. Thereafter, he started working at the Officers School of Fire Service (known today as the Main School of Fire Service/SGSP), where he has served as Rector–Commandant and Rector. In 1996 he was appointed to General. Professor Wolanin's research interests include civil protection, crisis management, risk management and risk assessment. In addition, he regularly gives lectures on mathematical methods in safety engineering, implementation of risk analysis to civil safety, threat modeling, and crisis management.



Wojtek Wilk – PCPM, Polish Center for International Aid

Wojtek is President & CEO of PCPM, the Polish Center for International Aid, which is one of the largest humanitarian organizations based in Poland with operations in eight countries.

From 2002 to 2012 he worked with the United Nations and their several humanitarian efforts in Kosovo, Iraq, South Sudan and Sudan, and the Middle East, and was Head of the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) in Uzbekistan and in Damascus, Syria. In addition to his field experience, Wojtek has worked as desk officer on humanitarian emergencies in Asia-Pacific at the UN Headquarters. Wojtek is an UN expert in disaster management and response, and post-conflict recovery as well as a member of UNDAC – UN Disaster Assessment and Coordination. Wojtek holds a Ph.D. in Economics from the Warsaw School of Economics (SGH) focusing on the impact of the Iraq refugee crisis on Syria and Jordan (2003-2010).