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DISCUSSION FORUM PROGRAMME

WEDNESDAY, 17 OCTOBER 2018
PVA EXPO PRAHA, HALL 2

10:00 - 13:15 **Registration**

13:30 - 14:00 **CONGRESS OPENING**

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS: [LTC \(Ret.\) Richard MÁCHA](#) – Czech National Armaments Director Representative, Permanent Delegation of the Czech Republic to HQ NATO; NATO AC/225 - NAAG Vice Chairman, CZE

Keynote Speech [Mr. Daniel KOŠTOVAL](#) – Deputy Minister of Defence – Head of the Armaments and Acquisition Division; Chairman Future Forces Individual Systems Congress (FFISC), CZE

[BG Kevin M. COPSEY](#) – NATO Army Armaments Group (NAAG) Chairman, GBR

[Mr. Mark RICHTER](#) – NATO AC/225 LCG DSS Chairman; Marine Expeditionary Rifle Squad, Marine Corps Systems Command, USA

14:00 - 16:00 **DISCUSSION FORUM**
Moderated by: LTC (Ret.) Richard MÁCHA

- TOPICS :**
- Future Soldier Systems Projects, Advanced Systems for Specialists
 - Lessons Learned, Capability Gaps and Requirements, Future Challenges
 - Operations in Complex Urban Environment
 - Interoperability (International, Inter-Service)

DISCUSSION FORUM (in alphabetical order)
PANELISTS:

[Mr. L.M. \(Luc\) de BEER](#) – Project Manager, VOSS - Improved Operational Soldier System, Directorate of Projects and Procurement / Project Branch, Defence Materiel Organization, Ministry of Defence, NLD

[BG Kevin M. COPSEY](#) – NATO Army Armaments Group (NAAG) Chairman, GBR

[MAJ Magnus HALLBERG](#) – NATO AC/225 LCG DSS Vice-Chairman; Project Manager Soldier Equipment, Land Warfare Centre, SWE

[Mr. Daniel KOŠTOVAL](#) – Deputy Minister of Defence – Head of the Armaments and Acquisition Division, CZE

[Prof. Josef LAZAR](#) – Member of Academy Council responsible for coordination of knowledge and technologies transfer to the application sphere, Czech Academy of Sciences, CZE

[Mr. Mark RICHTER](#) – NATO AC/225 LCG DSS Chairman; Marine Expeditionary Rifle Squad, Marine Corps Systems Command, USA

[Mr. Karl-Heinz RIPPERT](#) – Federal Office of Bundeswehr Equipment, Information Technology and In-Service Support (BAAINBW), German Armed Forces, DEU

[BG Karel ŘEHKA](#) – Deputy Commander, NATO Multinational Division North East, NATO

[MG Ivo STŘECHA](#) – Director Force Development Division, Ministry of Defence, CZE

[Mr. Pavel ŽÚNA](#) – Director, NATO Science Technology Organisation / Collaboration Support Office, NATO