

**THE ROYAL INSTITUTE FOR INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS (IRRI-KIIB)
AND THE RUSSIAN EMBASSY IN BRUSSELS**

have the pleasure of inviting you to a Conference
on Thursday **11 May 2006** from 9.00 am to 1.00 pm
in the Conference Hall of the Egmont Palace, Place du Petit Sablon, 1000 Brussels

‘THE RUSSIAN SECURITY POLICY IN THE EURO-ASIAN AREA’

General Y. Baluievsky, Chief of the General Staff of the Russian Armed Forces, will be the keynote speaker and will provide a general overview on Russia’s Security Policy in the Euro-Asian geographic area.

The EU and Russia have an interest in their neighbourhood to become more stable and prosperous, forecasting an intensified cooperation between both. This cooperation relates to political stability, lasting security and economic prosperity in the whole region. Furthermore the EU-Russia relations will become progressively more important to influence the future development of the region.

PROGRAMME

09.00 REGISTRATION

09.15 WELCOMING ADDRESS BY **VISCOUNT ETIENNE DAVIGNON**, PRESIDENT, IRRI-KIIB

09.30 ADDRESS BY **GENERAL BALUIEVSKY**: "THE RUSSIAN SECURITY POLICY IN THE EURO-ASIAN AREA".

10.00 QUESTIONS/ANSWERS

10.30 COFFEE BREAK

11.00 PANEL

- Chair: **AMBASSADOR CLAUDE MISSON**, DIRECTOR GENERAL, IRRI-KIIB.
- Doctor **EVGUENI M. KOJOKINE**, Director of the Russia’s Institute for Strategic Studies, Moscow ; “
- Doctor **FYODOR LUKIYANOV**, Editor-in-chief of *Russia in Global Affairs* Moscow ; “WHAT RUSSIANS FEAR: PSYCHOLOGICAL PORTRAIT OF THE NATION”.
- Ms. **ISABELLE FACON**, Senior Researcher at the *Fondation pour la Recherche Stratégique* , Paris ; "RUSSIA AND THE EU: THE CHALLENGE OF THE ‘COMMON NEIGHBOURHOOD’"
- Mr. **CARL HALLERGÅRD**, Directorate General for External and Politico-Military Affairs - Council of the European Union, Brussels ; “

12.00 DEBATE

THE WORKING LANGUAGE WILL BE ENGLISH