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Resilience Conference

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Norfolk VA - NATO's Supreme Allied Commander Transformation, General André Lanata, and the Mayor of the City of Norfolk, The Honourable Kenneth Alexander, will co-host the second Resilience Conference April 9th-10th 2019 at the Sheraton Hotel, Norfolk VA. The aim of the conference is to increase understanding for civilian/military cooperation in preparing for hybrid/counter-terrorism events and will bring together leaders from NATO and various international experts from European Union nations as well as all levels of government, public and private sectors.

Resilience is a society's ability to resist and recover easily and quickly from shocks; combining civilian, economic, commercial and military factors. The conference discussions will be focussed on a fictitious scenario and with the aim of fostering the sharing of best practices between the various stakeholders, will explore how NATO can support nations in building collective resilience.

The conference will help to build a persistent trans-Atlantic resilience capacity which will greatly support, shape and inform other ongoing Allied Commander Transformation's work strands, like Military Mobility, Collaborative Resilience, Urbanization as well as the wider work on Smart Cities, Autonomy, Internet of Things and Disruptive Technologies.

The Conference will be opened by Mayor Alexander and General Lanata at 8 a.m. and this will be followed later by a press conference at 10:25 a.m.

NATO's Allied Command Transformation and the Mayor of the City of Norfolk invite interested media to attend the conference opening remarks at 8 a.m. and/or the press conference at 10:25 a.m. at the Sheraton Hotel, Brandon room. The press conference will be followed by a question and answer session.

All interested media can register on CVENT at the [Media Registration Page](#) by **12 p.m. EST on 8 April**. Any enquiries can be directed to Royal Navy Lt. Cmdr. Paul Kempley (paul.kempley@act.nato.int), (+1-757-747-3403) in the Allied Command Transformation Public Affairs Office. Media attending the opening remarks are expected to arrive at the Sheraton Hotel on April 9 by 7.40 a.m. For those attending the Press Conference only, arrival should be no later than 10:10 a.m.

Photos will be available on the NATO website or via Twitter. Follow us on Twitter (@NATO_PASCAD and @NATO_ACT)

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