International Seminar

ARMS CONTROL AND DISARMAMENT VERIFICATION: EXPERIENCE, PERSPECTIVES, AND NEW IDEAS

November 23, 2018
Assembly Hall, Diplomatic Academy of the Russian Foreign Ministry
53/2, Ostozhenka str., bd. 1, 2nd floor

14:30 – 15:00 | Registration of participants

15:00 – 15:10 | Welcome remarks

- ZULKHARNEEV Albert, Director, PIR Center; Research Fellow, Center for Global Trends and International Organizations, Institute of Contemporary International Studies, Diplomatic Academy of the Russian Foreign Ministry.
- van DASSEN Lars, Director, Office for International Relations, Swedish Radiation Safety Authority;

15:10 – 16:30 | Session 1: Future of Arms Control and Challenges of Verification

- How did Soviet Union and the USA manage arms control verification during the Cold War?
- What role does verification play in current Russian-US arms control debate?
- What kind of verification instruments will future arms control system require?

15:10 – 16:00 | Presentations and Comments
Moderator:
- BAKLITSKIY Andrey, Consultant, PIR Center; Research Fellow, Center for Global Trends and International Organizations, Institute of Contemporary International Studies, Diplomatic Academy of the Russian Foreign Ministry.

Speakers:
- SAVELYEV Alexander, Lead Researcher, Primakov Institute of World Economy and International Relations, Russian Academy of Sciences;
- OZNOBISCHEV Sergey, Head of Sector, Primakov Institute of World Economy and International Relations, Russian Academy of Sciences; Professor, MGIMO University;
- BUZHINSKIY Evgeny, Chairman of the Executive Board, PIR Center.
16:00 – 16:30 | Discussion

16:30 – 17:00 | Coffee Break

17:00 – 18:20 | Session 2: How Can Verification of Multilateral Disarmament Be Provided?

- What kind of disarmament verification mechanisms are at disposal of international community?
- What is the place of nuclear disarmament verification in the UN fora (Nuclear Disarmament Verification Group of Governmental Experts and High Level Fissile Material Cut-Off Treaty Expert Preparatory Group)?
- What are the lessons learned from the work of the International Partnership for Nuclear Disarmament Verification?
- Will existing international experience and instruments be sufficient for multilateral disarmament verification in case a country renounces its nuclear weapons?

17:00 – 17:50 | Presentations and Comments

Moderator:
- MARGOEV Adlan, “Russia and Nuclear Non-Proliferation” Program Director, PIR Center.

Speakers:
- PSHAKIN Gennadiy, Senior Researcher, A.I. Leipunski Institute of Physics and Power Engineering;
- PODVIG Pavel, Senior Research Fellow, UN Institute for Disarmament Research;
- van DASSEN Lars, Director, Office for International Relations, Swedish Radiation Safety Authority;
- MALOV Andrey, Advisory Board Member, PIR Center; Associate Professor, Chair of International and National Security, Diplomatic Academy of the Russian Foreign Ministry.

17:50 – 18:20 | Discussion

18:20 – 18:40 | Concluding remarks

18:40 – 20:00 | Reception

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